

ANTI-FREEZE POISONING

Our vet team are warning vehicle owners to take extra precautions to clear up spillages of anti-freeze now the weather is getting colder and not to leave it unattended after an increased number of cats were put down due to anti-freeze poisoning last year. Ethylene glycol, which is found in anti-freezes sweet and tasty to cats and only a small amount is needed to be ingested to be lethal

Signs of poisoning occur within hours of ingestion. “Cats appear wobbly on their legs, can vomit, fit and quickly progress into kidney failure and death”. Cat owners should know the symptoms to look out for, and get their cats to the vets immediately if they suspect poisoning.

Please plead with vehicle owners to discard coolant properly and clean up after any leaks.