

## **My dog/cat goes nuts when my neighbors set off fireworks. What can I do?**

First, maybe talk with your neighbors far in advance about your concerns. This may avoid the situation all together. Addressing the anticipated problem in advance is much more successful than trying to approach neighbors when they are in the act of igniting and celebrating.

Second, make sure your dog or any other pet can't run away. It is very common that animals get frantic at the sound and flashing light.

Other tips from the **American Kennel Club** include comforting your dog during the barrage, taking them for a long walk before the firecrackers come out and creating "white noise" such as with a fan.