



LOOSE ANIMALS & WILDLIFE

Avoid unfamiliar animals
and wildlife

Be careful around loose or lost pets:

- When animals cannot follow their normal routine, they become frightened, stressed and irritable.
- Frightened animals are **more likely to bite** if approached or handled.
- **Do not touch** stray domestic animals.
- Keep pets on **regular routines** as much as possible.
- Make sure pets have clean, **fresh water and food** that has not touched floodwater.
- Keep pets from **running loose in yards** where fences have been damaged.
- Keep pets away from **yard work and repair activities**.
- If possible, keep pets away from affected areas because they can be injured by damaged or falling trees, debris, downed power lines, or contact with wildlife.
- **Domestic animal bite** cases should be reported to your local animal control agency.

Wildlife can also be affected by flooding:

- Flood waters can displace **animals, insects, and reptiles**.
- Wildlife should **never** be handled.
- Bats, skunks and raccoons are potential **rabies carriers**.
- Use caution when **removing debris** as snakes or other wildlife may be present.
- If an animal **bites** you, seek immediate medical attention.



Lost your cat or dog? Download the FREE PiP My Pet App and upload a photo to help us ID your pet with strays we find. More info at: www.petrecognition.com

Protect your family. Protect yourself. Avoid wildlife!