

How To Stop Or Minimize Excessive Shedding



One of the greatest annoyances as a pet owner is dealing with unwanted hair in your home. Nearly every dog or cat no matter what their age sheds. Some breeds shed more than others, but all pets will do it. While we cannot stop a dog or cat from shedding the same way we can keep a dog from flaring up our allergies, there are many things you can do as a pet owner to manage and reduce the amount your pet sheds so that it is no longer a problem in your home.

The reasons why animals shed is to get rid of old, damaged, and extra hair. During the colder months, animals tend to grow a heavy coat to help insulate themselves and then shed all of that extra hair during the summer. Pets will also shed excessively when the hair becomes damaged or they become irritated from allergies. Follow the tips in this article to learn how to stop or minimize excessive shedding.

1. The first and most important tip to manage excessive shedding is providing your pet with a proper diet. Your pet's coat of hair is a reflection of what it eats. A dog with an unhealthy diet is more likely to shed. Feed your pet quality food that is grain free and potato free and consists of digestible protein sources. You can also supplement your pet's diet with coconut oil, fish oil or immune support supplements like Nupro to keep its coat shiny and healthy. This will keep the dog's skin from suffering from lack of moisture allowing the pet's hair to fall out more easily.
2. The second tip is bathing/grooming your dog regularly. Just like humans wash their hair to clean and remove dead hair, dogs require the same. Bathing your dog regularly encourages loose and dead hair to fall out into the tub instead of your carpet. A clean dog will also maintain a healthier coat and aid in removing fleas. Paw Depot offers expert grooming services and if you mention this article you will receive \$5 Off grooming!
3. The third tip is to frequently brush your pet. Brushing is an easy thing you can do to keep your home free of hair. In addition to a cleaner home, brushing your pet's hair will also help make your pet's coat softer, cleaner, and unlikely to shed. There are many types of brushes to choose from such as slicker brushes,

shedding blades, and love gloves. Each brush has a specific function that will help you remove all of the dead hair from your dog.

If you notice your pet's hair is still excessively shedding or your pet suffers from bald spots, come visit the Paw Depot and talk to our pet experts. Diet and Nutritional advice is always free and we will provide you tips to properly minimize the amount of unwanted hair in your home.

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