## Saving Your Pet With CPR

## If there is no breathing and no pulse, begin CPR immediately.

Areas to check

for pulse

Check for breathing & pulse
Check for pulse using middle and index
finger below wrist, inner thigh, below
the ankle or where left elbow touches
the chest.

Look for other warning signs

- Gums and lips will appear gray
- Pupils will be dilated

If no pulse, start compressions

Lay animal on right side and place hands over ribs where its elbow touches the chest. Begin compressions.

Do not give compressions if dog has a pulse.

Diagram Source:

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If not breathing, give mouth-to-mouth

Cats & small dogs: place your mouth over nose and mouth, blow air in.

**Medium-large dogs:** place you mouth over nose, blow air in.



- Check pulse after 1 minute and then every few minutes
- Continue giving CPR
   until animal has a pulse
   or is breathing
- Stop CPR after 20 minutes



