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## **BANDAGE & SPLINT CARE**

Several things need to be monitored and done to provide appropriate care for <animal>'s bandage or splint.

- Bandage must be kept dry and clean. If bandage becomes soiled or dirty, it must be changed. Wet or dirty bandages can cause pressure sores and lead to secondary infections.
- Monitor bandage for slipping. If the bandage slips, it may not provide adequate protection for its intended area. We need to see <animal> immediately if bandage slips.
- Monitor toes for swelling. Occasionally, a bandage can move or slip and become too tight. If toes begin to swell, please contact us for further advice.
- Chewing and licking the bandage must be prevented. If <animal> is trying to chew on the bandage, an Elizabethan collar may be needed.