

Petco Products Not affected by 'Vitamin D' Pet Food Recall; Offering Free Trade-In for Pet Parents with Affected Product

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SAN DIEGO, Dec. 6, 2018 / PRNewswire/ -- In light of Monday's FDA alert on multiple dry dog food recalls due to elevated and potentially toxic levels of vitamin D, we can confirm that Petco does not carry any of the brands listed in the current recall; no Petco products are affected.



We are monitoring and reviewing the recall closely with our vendor partners, our veterinary staff and third-party veterinary nutrition experts; and we will always share what we know with our customers.

Petco recommends the following immediate actions for concerned pet parents:

- Visit the FDA's website for more information and a complete list of affected products.
- If you believe your pet may be experiencing symptoms of vitamin D toxicity, or if you have any concerns about the health of your pet, please consult a veterinarian immediately.
- If you have product affected by the recall, bring it in to any Petco store to exchange and upgrade it for a similar size bag of Petco's WholeHearted dog food.
- Pet parents seeking guidance on what to feed their pets can visit their <u>local Petco store</u> to consult with one of our knowledgeable in-store partners, or visit <u>petco.com</u> for pet food and nutrition information.

Petco has been committed to ensuring the health and well-being of pets for more than 50 years. As part of that commitment, we recently announced our decision to not sell dog and cat foods and treats with artificial colors, flavors and preservatives by May of 2019. The decision makes Petco the first and only national retailer of pet food to take a stand against such ingredients.

With a firm belief that better nutrition yields healthier pets, Petco offers a diverse portfolio of high-quality dog and cat food brands that meet or exceed our industry-leading ingredient and manufacturing standards. We continually evaluate our assortment to ensure we're providing the best quality products to our customers and their pets.

For more information on Petco's bold new pet nutrition standards, visit petco.com/betternutrition.

About Petco and the Petco Foundation

Petco is a leading pet specialty retailer with more than 50 years of service to pet parents. Everything we do is guided by our vision for Healthier Pets. Happier People. Better World. We operate more than 1,500 Petco and Unleashed by Petco locations across the U.S., Mexico and Puerto Rico; complete pet care services and veterinary advice through <u>PetCoach</u>; and <u>petco.com</u>. The <u>Petco Foundation</u>, an independent nonprofit organization, has invested more than \$230 million since it was created in 1999 to help promote and improve the welfare of companion animals. In conjunction with the Foundation, we work with and support thousands of local animal welfare groups across the country and, through in-store adoption events, help find homes for more than 400,000 animals every year.

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