Cyanobacteria can form harmful blooms in lakes, ponds, and rivers that make the water murky or look like pea soup or paint. These blooms may produce toxins that could kill or sicken pets.

- Do not allow your pet to swim in or drink water that may have a bloom.
- If pets do come into contact with an algal bloom, don’t allow pets to groom themselves and rinse them off immediately.
- If any pet toys are exposed to the algae, thoroughly clean them or throw them away.

Call your vet immediately if your pet has been around an algal bloom and shows symptoms such as vomiting, staggering, drooling, or convulsions.

For more information and to report a bloom, go to www.deq.idaho.gov/recreation-health-advisories.

If in doubt, stay out!