

# How to Perform the Heimlich Maneuver on a Dog of Any Size

## The Heimlich Maneuver for Large Dogs

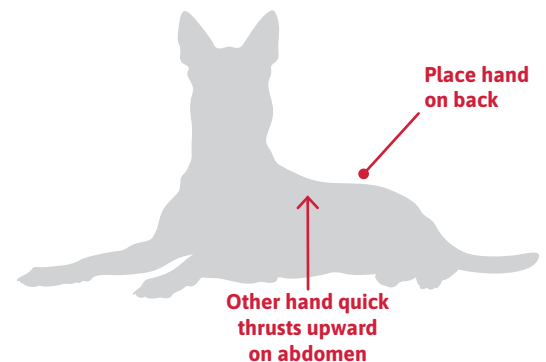
### Standing Dog

- 1 Position yourself behind your dog.
- 2 Use its rear legs to help the dog stand up with its back against your chest.
- 3 Place your hands at the base of the dog's abdomen and perform five quick upward thrusts with moderate force.



### Laying Dog

- 1 Place one hand firmly on your dog's back.
- 2 With your other hand, perform quick upward thrusts on its abdomen.



*In both positions, it's important to be aware if the object is dislodged so you can remove it from your dog's mouth and ensure they don't choke on it again.*

# The Heimlich Maneuver for Medium Dogs

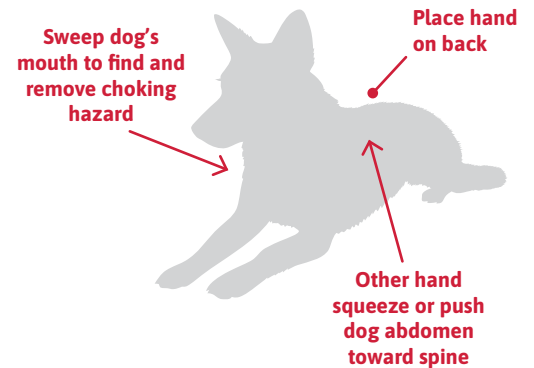
## Standing Dog

- 1 Put your arms around your dog so your hands join at its abdomen.
- 2 Make a fist with your hands and firmly and swiftly push up and forward five times in a thrusting motion - much like you would perform the maneuver on a human.



## Laying Dog

- 1 Put one hand on your dog's back and use your other hand to squeeze or push your dog's abdomen upwards and forward towards the spine.
- 2 Perform a sweep of your dog's mouth to see if you can find and remove what they were choking on.



# The Heimlich Maneuver for Small Dogs

*Smaller dogs should be quickly positioned across your lap with the dog lying on its back facing up.*

- 1 Place one hand firmly on your dog's back to help keep them in position, and place your other hand on its abdomen.
- 2 With moderate force, quickly press your hand into its abdomen five times.
- 3 Position your dog on its side so you can check its mouth again for the object. Repeat this process until the object is dislodged.

