

# Common Household Items Hazardous to Ferrets

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The following items are all dangerous to some degree if ingested, or placed in contact with your ferret. Some can cause death almost instantly. Others may cause only a mild reaction, but it is best to remove them from any areas where they would be in contact with your ferret.

This is not a complete list, so if you are in any doubt about something that your ferret has eaten or been in contact with, please contact your veterinarian or the **ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center at (888) 426-4435**. A \$50 consultation fee may be applied to your credit card. Their website is: <http://www.aspca.org>

Common hazards to avoid:

Acetaminophen	Floor polish	Polish remover
Acetone	Furniture polish	Raw meat
Alcohol	Gasoline	Rodent poison
Ammonia	Gun cleaner	Rubbing alcohol
Antifreeze	Gun powder	Salt
Aspirin	Hair dyes	Shaving cream
Bleach	Herbicides	Shaving lotion
Boric acid	Hexachlorophene	Shoe polish
Brass cleaner	Insecticides	Silver polish
Caffeine	Iodine	Sleeping pills
Camphophenique	Kerosene	Slug bait
Carbon monoxide	Laxatives	Snail bait
Charcoal lighter	Lead	Soaps
Chlorine	Lighter fluid	Solvents
Chocolate	Lye	Spices
Christmas tinsel	Matches	Spot remover
Coffee	Medicines	Spray starch
Cola	Mineral spirits	Sulfuric acid
Copper cleaner	Model glue	Suntan lotions
Corn removers	Mothballs	Super Glue
Crayons	Muriatic acid	Tar
Deodorants	Nail polish	Toilet bowl cleaner
Deodorizers	Oven cleaner	Turkey bones
Detergents	Paint	Turpentine
Disinfectants	Paint remover	Wart remover
Drain cleaner	Paint thinner	Wax
Dry cleaning fluid	Perfume	Weed killer
Easter-basket grass	Perm solutions	Window cleaner
Fabric dye	Pesticides	Wood preservative
Fabric softener	Photo solution	Wood stain
Flea/tick products	Pine oil	