

# PLEASE BE HEDGEHOG AWARE



## HEDGEHOGS ARE IN TROUBLE

## HEDGEHOGS NEED YOUR HELP

**HEDGEHOG POPULATIONS ARE IN DRASTIC DECLINE.**

**MORE THAN 50,000 ARE KILLED EACH YEAR ON BRITAIN'S ROADS.**

**HEDGEHOGS ARE ALSO KILLED IN STRIMMING AND MOWING INCIDENTS.**

**HEDGEHOGS DIE WHEN EATING SLUGS WHICH HAVE BEEN POISONED WITH SLUG PELLETS**

## Do

**DRIVE SLOWLY AFTER DARK AND EARLY MORNING AND CHECK FOR HEDGEHOGS ON THE ROAD, VERGES AND PAVEMENTS.**

**ALWAYS CHECK LONG GRASS AND UNDER BUSHES/SHRUBS BEFORE MOWING/STRIMMING.**

**CHECK YOUR GARDEN FOR HEDGEHOGS BEFORE LETTING DOGS OUT AFTER DARK.**

**PUT OUT A SHALLOW DISH OF FRESH WATER IN A SECLUDED PART OF YOUR GARDEN ESPECIALLY DURING DRY SPELLS.**

**LEAVE A SMALL SPACE UNDER YOUR FENCE SO THAT GARDENS ARE LINKED TO ALLOW HEDGEHOGS TO TRAVEL SAFELY.**

**CHECK LEAF PILES AND WOOD PILES BEFORE BURNING.**

## Don't

**DON T USE SLUG PELLETS OR POISONS. ALTERNATIVES ARE SAND, WOOD CHIPS, GRAVEL OR THORNY TWIGS**

**NEVER FEED HEDGEHOGS MILK.**

**If you find a sick, injured, or tiny hedgehog, please call the SSPCA immediately on 03000 999 999**

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