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**We remind all dachshund owners to take a moment to become familiar with the symptoms of IVDD and to also seriously consider pet insurance.**

**In the meantime, print this off and attach it to your fridge!**

If your dog has any of the symptoms below, please assume it is a disc episode, crate or severely restrict its activity, and get to the vet immediately:

- Does not want to go up steps or jump on furniture
- Shivering or shaking and/or hiding
- Has a tense belly and is shivering or shaking
- Limping
- Walking wobbly or drunk
- Hunched over
- Does not want to lift head
- Holds head at an angle
- Cries out when moving, changing positions, or is picked up
- Unable to stand up
- Dragging legs

As damage to the spinal cord increases caused by disc material applying pressure on the spinal cord, your dog's symptoms may get worse in this order.

- Pain
- Can't pick up feet well
- Walking wobbly/drunken or legs cross when walking
- Can't stand up or walk
- Can't start urinating
- Can't wag its tail
- Does not have Deep Pain Sensation which is a nerve function determined by a specialist.

[www.ivdd.org.au](http://www.ivdd.org.au)

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