

# How To Improve Any Shelter



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**Create a door flap using a rug or a flexible chunk of linoleum flooring.**

**Elevate the house off the ground, check for moisture in the corners and floor and face the opening south if possible.**

**Insulate using lots of straw or cedar chips. Don't use hay or blankets or towels, as they get wet and freeze.**

**Oversize doghouses are colder-make sure the house is sized for your dog.**

**Provide extra food and fresh water: dogs need extra calories to stay warm in the cold.**