



Vaccine Tracker for Your Pet

Help keep your dog or cat healthy, safe, and happy all year with an easy record of every vaccine, booster, and follow-up visit.

- Track each dose to help prevent gaps in immunity.
- Keep key dates, products, and clinic details in one place.
- Reduce the chance of missed boosters, repeated appointments, or restart series.

PEACE OF MIND FOR YOU • PROTECTION FOR THEM

Use this booklet during wellness visits and vaccine appointments. Your veterinarian can tailor vaccine choices and timing to your pet's age, health status, local disease risk, travel, boarding, and household exposure.

Why a vaccine tracker matters

Staying up to date is about more than checking a box. Good records help you and your veterinarian make safer, more efficient decisions throughout the year.

<p>Prevent serious disease</p> <p>Vaccines help protect against major infectious threats such as rabies, parvovirus, distemper, and feline panleukopenia.</p>	<p>Build immunity safely</p> <p>Vaccination teaches the immune system to recognize specific pathogens before real-world exposure happens.</p>	<p>Protect your household</p> <p>Keeping pets current can reduce risk to other pets and, for some diseases like rabies and leptospirosis, to people as well.</p>
<p>Stay on schedule</p> <p>Recording dates and product names helps avoid missed boosters, unnecessary repeat visits, and confusion when traveling or boarding.</p>	<p>Support personalized care</p> <p>Lifestyle matters. Indoor vs outdoor access, travel, daycare, boarding, wildlife exposure, and multi-pet homes can all affect recommendations.</p>	<p>Keep proof in one place</p> <p>A written tracker is useful when your clinic changes software, you move, adopt another pet, or need documents quickly.</p>

Important: This booklet is educational and organizational, not a substitute for veterinary care. Vaccine timing can vary by manufacturer label, country or state law, patient history, and local disease patterns.



Common vaccine categories for dogs and cats

The tables below summarize common vaccine groupings used in small-animal practice. Your veterinarian may classify some vaccines differently depending on where you live and your pet's exposure risk.

Dogs

Vaccine	Typical role	Often considered for
DHPP / DAPP	Core protection against distemper, adenovirus, and parvovirus; some products also include parainfluenza.	Most dogs, especially puppies and newly adopted dogs.
Rabies	Essential for a fatal zoonotic disease and often required by law.	Dogs based on legal requirements and local rabies risk.
Leptospirosis	Bacterial disease protection that can also matter for human health.	Dogs with outdoor, wildlife, puddle, rodent, or regional exposure risk.
Bordetella / kennel cough	Helps reduce respiratory disease risk in group settings.	Boarding, daycare, grooming, training, shows, shelters, frequent social contact.
Lyme	Can help protect dogs in higher-tick regions.	Dogs in endemic tick areas or with frequent wooded/brush exposure.
Canine influenza	Risk-based protection for contagious respiratory disease.	Dogs in daycare, shelters, boarding, or outbreak-prone regions.

Cats

Vaccine	Typical role	Often considered for
FVRCP	Core protection against feline herpesvirus-1, calicivirus, and panleukopenia.	Most cats, especially kittens and adults with unknown history.
Rabies	Essential in endemic areas and commonly required by law.	Cats based on legal requirements and exposure risk.
FelV	Protects against feline leukemia virus.	Core for kittens in many guidelines; risk-based for older cats with outdoor or cat-to-cat exposure.
Bordetella	Risk-based respiratory protection.	Selected cats in high-density or outbreak settings.
Chlamydia felis	Risk-based option in specific multi-cat settings.	Cats with demonstrated exposure risk; usually not routine for every household.

General timing guidance used by major veterinary guidelines: puppies and kittens often start core vaccines around 6–8 weeks of age, receive boosters every 2–4 weeks until at least 16 weeks, then receive a follow-up booster about a year later. Adult boosters after that depend on the vaccine, the product label, legal rules, and your veterinarian's risk assessment.

How to use this tracker with your veterinarian

- **Bring it to every appointment.** Ask the clinic to fill in the vaccine name, date, lot or batch number, and the next recommended due date.
- **Record the complete product name.** Combination products and formulations can differ, so specifics matter.
- **Ask whether a vaccine is core or risk-based for your pet.** Lifestyle, travel, boarding, wildlife exposure, local law, and chronic medical conditions can change the plan.
- **Keep copies of official certificates.** Rabies documentation is often needed for licensing, boarding, and travel.
- **Review the schedule once a year.** A pet's risk can change with age, moving, new housemates, or more social activity.

Puppies & kittens Core vaccines commonly begin at 6–8 weeks and continue every 2–4 weeks until 16+ weeks.	Adults with unknown history May need an initial series before entering a normal booster schedule.	Rabies Timing and revaccination intervals depend on law and the specific licensed product used.
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Questions to ask at the visit

Is my pet due for any core vaccines today?	Do lifestyle changes mean we should add or remove any risk-based vaccines?
What date should I schedule the next booster or recheck?	Are there any short-term aftercare instructions or expected mild reactions?
Can I have a copy of any rabies certificate or travel paperwork?	Should other pets in the home be reviewed at the same time?

Dog vaccine tracker

Pet name _____	Date of birth / approx. age _____	Spay / neuter status _____
Breed _____	Microchip ID _____	Weight _____

Vaccine / booster	Date given	Next due	Clinic / veterinarian	Lot / batch	Notes
DHPP / DAPP / DA2PP					
Rabies					
Leptospirosis					
Bordetella / kennel cough					
Lyme					
Canine influenza					
Other vaccine or booster					

Veterinarian notes:

Cat vaccine tracker

Pet name _____	Date of birth / approx. age _____	Indoor / outdoor status _____
Breed _____	Microchip ID _____	Weight _____

Vaccine / booster	Date given	Next due	Clinic / veterinarian	Lot / batch	Notes
FVRCP					
Rabies					
FeLV					
Bordetella					
Chlamydia felis					
Other vaccine or booster					
Other vaccine or booster					

Veterinarian notes:

Annual review, reminders, and household protection

A vaccine tracker works best when it sits alongside your pet's broader preventive care routine.

- Schedule a yearly wellness exam (or more often for seniors and pets with chronic conditions).
- Review parasite prevention, dental care, weight, and behavior at the same visit.
- Update boarding, daycare, training, and travel plans before booking.
- Confirm that the address and phone number on vaccine certificates are current.
- Check whether other pets in the home need boosters or exposure-risk review.

Household & travel notes	Reminder dates
Multi-pet home: _____	Next wellness exam: _____
Boarding / daycare plans: _____	Next booster due: _____
Travel destinations: _____	Rabies certificate renewal / license: _____
Emergency clinic / after-hours contact: _____	Questions for next visit: _____

Mild post-vaccine effects such as temporary soreness, sleepiness, or reduced appetite can occur. Contact your veterinarian promptly if you notice facial swelling, repeated vomiting, collapse, difficulty breathing, hives, or anything that feels more than mild or short-lived.

Sources consulted and wording approach

This booklet was written in fresh wording for educational use, drawing on widely used veterinary guidance rather than copying any single company page. Recommendations can change, and local laws may differ, so always confirm timing with your veterinarian.

- American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA), 2022 Canine Vaccination Guidelines and related canine vaccine recommendations.
- AAHA / American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP), 2020 Feline Vaccination Guidelines.
- World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA), 2024 Vaccination Guidelines for Dogs and Cats.
- American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), pet-owner vaccination guidance.
- CDC and local public health authorities for rabies-law and travel-document reminders where relevant.

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Keep this booklet with your pet's adoption paperwork, microchip details, and any rabies certificate so it is easy to bring to every visit.