Recommended Vaccine Chart



Always consult with your veterinarian first.

CATS:

Vaccine	Initial Kitten Vaccination At or under 16 weeks	Initial Adult Cat Vaccination Over 16 weeks	Booster Recommendations	Comments
Rabies	Single dose as early as 3 months of age, depending on product. Revaccinate 1 year later.	2 doses, 12 months apart.	Required annually or every 3 years, depending on vaccine used. State regulations may determine the frequency & type of booster required.	Core Cat Vaccine. Rabies is 100% fatal to cats, with no treatment available.
Feline Distemper (Panleukopenia)	As early as 6 weeks, then every 3-4 weeks until 16 weeks of age.	2 doses, 3-4 weeks apart.	1 dose is given a year after the last dose of the initial series, then no more than every 3 years.	Core Cat Vaccine. Feline distemper is a severe contagious disease that most commonly strikes kittens & can cause death.
Feline herpesvirus	As early as 6 weeks, then every 3-4 weeks until 16 weeks of age.	2 doses, 3-4 weeks apart.	1 dose is given a year after the last dose of the initial series, then no more than every 3 years.	Core Cat Vaccine. Feline herpesvirus causes feline viral rhinotracheitis (FVR) - a very contagious upper respiratory condition.
Calicivirus	As early as 6 weeks, then every 3-4 weeks until 16 weeks of age.	2 doses, 3-4 weeks apart.	1 dose is given a year after the last dose of the initial series, then no more than every 3 years.	Core Cat Vaccine. A very contagious upper respiratory condition that can cause joint pain, oral ulcerations, fever, & anorexia.
Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLV)	As early as 8 weeks, then 3-4 weeks later.	2 doses, 3-4 weeks apart.	Annually.	Should test FeLV negative first. Can cause cancer, immunosuppressant.
Bordetella	At 8 weeks, then 2-4 weeks later.	2 doses, 3-4 weeks apart.	Annually.	A contagious upper respiratory condition.



DOGS:

Vaccine	Initial Puppy Vaccination At or under 16 weeks	Initial Adult Dog Vaccination Over 16 weeks	Booster Recommendations	Comments
Rabies, 1-Year	Can be administered in one dose, as early as 14-16 weeks of age. States regulate the age at which it is first administered.	Single Dose	Annual boosters are recommended.	Core Dog Vaccine Rabies is 100% fatal to dogs with no treatment available.
Rabies, 3-Year	Can be administered as one dose, as early as 1 year of age. States regulate the age at which it is first administered.	Single Dose	A second vaccination is recommended after 1 year, then boosters every 3 years.	Core Dog Vaccine
Distemper	At least 3 doses, given between 6 - 16 weeks of age.	2 doses, given 3-4 weeks apart.	Puppies need a booster 1 year after completing their initial series. All dogs need a booster every 3 years or more.	Core Dog Vaccine. Caused by an airborne virus, distemper is a severe disease that among other problems can cause permanent brain damage.
Parvovirus	At least 3 doses, given between 6 - 16 weeks of age.	2 doses, given 3-4 weeks apart.	Puppies need a booster 1 year after completing their initial series. All dogs need a booster every 3 years or more.	Core Dog Vaccine. Canine "parvo" is contagious & can cause severe vomiting & bloody diarrhea. Parvo is usually fatal if untreated.
Adenovirus (canine hepatitis)	At least 3 doses, given between 6 - 16 weeks of age.	2 doses, given 3-4 weeks apart.	Puppies need a booster 1 year after completing their initial series. All dogs need a booster every 3 years or more.	Core Dog Vaccine. Spread via coughs & sneezes, canine hepatitis can lead to severe liver damage & death.
Parainfluenza	Administered at 6-8 weeks of age, then every 3-4 weeks until 12-14 weeks old.	1 dose	A booster may be necessary after 1 year, depending on manufacturer recommendations. Revaccination every 3 years is considered protective.	Parainfluenza infection results in cough & fever. it may be associated with a Bordetella infection.
Bordetella bronchiectasis (kennel cough)	Depends on the vaccine type; 2 doses are usually needed for protection.	1 dose of the intranasal product or 2 doses of the injected product.	Annual or 6-month boosters may be recommended for dogs in high-risk environments.	Not usually a serious condition, although it can be dangerous to young puppies. It is usually seen after activities like boarding or showing.
Lyme disease	1 dose, administered as early as 9 weeks, with a second dose 2-4 weeks later.	2 doses, 2-4 weeks apart.	May be needed annually, prior to the start of tick season.	Generally recommended only for dogs with a high risk for exposure to Lyme disease-carrying ticks.
Canine Influenza	First dose as early as 6 weeks, second dose 2-4 weeks later.	2 doses, 2-4 weeks apart.	Annually	Similar to Bordetella.