

Dog Vaccinations

Our standard vaccination protocol offers protection against Distemper, Hepatitis (Canine adenovirus type 2), Parvovirus, Parainfluenza and Leptospirosis. These diseases are seen much less frequently than they used to be; however the symptoms they cause can be life threatening and vaccination remains an essential way of protecting your dog.

Whilst vaccination against Distemper, Parvo and Hepatitis provides 3 years of cover, Parainfluenza and Leptospirosis vaccination must be repeated within 12 months in order to ensure protection. Our chosen vaccine range allows us the flexibility to tailor our vaccination schedule accordingly, meaning your dog will be fully protected without being over-vaccinated. Annual booster vaccinations also provide the opportunity for a health check and the chance to discuss any concerns you may have with the vet.

Puppy Vaccinations

Our usual vaccination protocol is as follows:

- 1st vaccination from 8 weeks
- 2nd vaccination 4 weeks later (e.g. at 12 weeks)
- 1st 'Junior' booster 9 months later



Booster Vaccinations

Traditionally the first 'Junior' booster has been given after 12 months, in keeping with annual vaccinations for adult dogs. However current guidelines recommend that this dose be brought forwards to avoid a potential 'immunity gap'. We have devised our vaccination schedule accordingly, in order to provide what we feel to be the optimal and most appropriate protection for your puppy.

Following the puppy vaccinations and the Junior booster, subsequent boosters are annual (within 12 months).

Kennel Cough

We also offer intranasal vaccination against Kennel Cough. Many kennels require dogs to be vaccinated prior to arriving in kennels, however disease is not exclusive to the kennel environment and we frequently see cases in dogs which have simply come into contact with disease through interaction with other dogs.

One year of immunity is provided from a single dose, with partial immunity 3 days following administration and full immunity after 3 weeks. The vaccine can be administered at the same time as the annual booster. It is not uncommon for dogs to show mild symptoms following vaccination, similar to those sometimes experienced with the human 'flu vaccine. Treatment is rarely required but ring for advice if you are concerned.