

CANINE VACCINE PROTOCOL



What shots does my dog need? When does he get them? What do they do? Here are the answers to those questions!

1. Canine Core Vaccines (all canines receive)
 - a. Rabies (between 12-16 weeks of age)
 - b. Distemper
 - c. Adenovirus
 - d. Parvovirus
 - e. Parainfluenza (part of DAPP vaccine)
2. Canine Non-Core Vaccines (based on risk assessment)
 - a. Lepto 4-way (start no earlier than 12 weeks of age)
 - b. Lyme (for hunting dogs or those with tick exposure)
 - c. Bordetella (nasal only – for kenneling or grooming)
 - d. Canine Influenza (for kenneling)
3. Puppy Schedule
 - a. Three shot series every 3-4 weeks between 6-16 weeks of age
 - b. Vaccinate only healthy puppies
4. Repeat core and non-core vaccines at one year of age
5. At two years of age start 3-year DAP vaccine protocol. Annual revaccination for all others except Bordetella which is every 6 months as required.
6. Split vaccines for canines with mature weights under 15 pounds. These should be scheduled at least two weeks apart.