

MINIMAL VACCINE USE for DOGS

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Age of Pups	Vaccine Type
9 - 10 weeks	Distemper + Parvovirus, MLV (e.g. Intervet Progard Puppy DPV)
14 weeks	Same as above
16 -18 weeks (<u>optional</u>)	Same as above (<u>optional</u>)
20 weeks or older, if allowable by law	Rabies
1 year	Distemper + Parvovirus, MLV
1 year	Rabies, killed 3-year product (give 3-4 weeks <i>apart</i> from distemper/parvovirus booster)

Perform vaccine antibody titers for distemper and parvovirus every three years thereafter, or more often, if desired. Vaccinate for rabies virus according to the law, except where circumstances indicate that a written waiver needs to be obtained from the primary care veterinarian.

MINIMAL VACCINE USE for CATS

Note: The following vaccine protocol is offered for those cats where minimal vaccinations are advisable or desirable. The schedule is one I recommend and should not be interpreted to mean that other protocols recommended by a veterinarian would be less satisfactory

Age of Kittens	Vaccine Type
8 - 9 weeks	Panleukopenia, Calicivirus, Rhinopneumonitis Virus (FVRCP)
12 - 13 weeks	Same as above
24 weeks or older, if required by law	Rabies (e.g. Merial Purevax™, recombinant)
1 year	FVRCP booster
1 year	Rabies, same as above but separated by 2-3 weeks from FVRCP)

Perform vaccine antibody titers for panleukopenia virus every three years thereafter, or more often, if desired. Vaccinate for rabies virus according to the law, except where circumstances indicate that a written waiver needs to be obtained from the primary care veterinarian.