





THE IMPORTANCE OF VACCINATION



Infectious diseases have been known to kill thousands of pets each year most of these deaths could have been prevented by a simple vaccination. Vaccinations are one of the greatest success stories of veterinary medicine, saving countless lives and gaining universal acceptance. Therefore when asked 'Should we vaccinate our pet?' we reply 'Yes, definitely!'





At Isle Valley Vets we recommend regular vaccinations against infectious diseases for all cats, dogs and rabbits. Without these vaccinations your pets are open to infections.



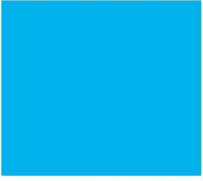
DOGS

Diseases we routinely vaccinate dogs against include:

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- ❖ Parvovirus – severe disease, usually fatal
 - ❖ Distemper- severe disease, potentially fatal
 - ❖ Infectious Hepatitis – severe disease, potentially fatal
 - ❖ Leptospirosis – can be fatal in dogs and can also be transmitted to humans
 - ❖ Kennel cough – rarely fatal, but not nice and very contagious
 - ❖ Rabies – routinely required for travelling abroad



Routine vaccinations consist of two initial, primary vaccinations given four weeks apart and then annually thereafter. Puppies can have their first vaccination at 6 weeks old. They are fully protected a week after the second vaccination. We recommend vaccinating for kennel cough every year. Rabies vaccinations are administered every three years.



CATS

Diseases we routinely vaccinate cats against

- ❖ Viral cat flu – highly infectious! Can be fatal in older cats / kittens.
- ❖ Feline Leukaemia – severe disease, can be fatal
- ❖ Feline Panleucopenia – uncommon but is a severe disease that can be fatal



Cat vaccinations consist of two initial vaccinations given three weeks apart and then annually thereafter. Kitten can be vaccinated at 9 weeks old. They are fully protected a week after the second vaccination.



RABBITS

Diseases we routinely vaccinate rabbits against include:

- ❖ Myxomatosis – usually fatal
- ❖ Viral Haemorrhage Disease (VHD) – usually fatal



Rabbit vaccinations are done annually against Myxomatosis and VHD using a combination vaccine.



If you would like further information about vaccinations or other small animal services please contact our reception at:



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