

# Your Puppy's First Year

## VACCINES

Your puppy will need various vaccines during its first few months.

- The DA2PP vaccine should be given every 3-4 weeks until 16 weeks of age
- The Leptospirosis vaccine should be given twice. The first vaccine is given and then 3-4 weeks later a booster is given.
- The Bordetella vaccine is given once.
- If your puppy needs a Flu vaccine, that is also given in a set of two, with a 3-4-week interval.
- Your puppy should be at least 16 weeks of age to receive its first Rabies vaccine.

## OTHER SERVICES TO CONSIDER

- A fecal sample should be tested for intestinal parasites
- If parasites are found, medication will be prescribed and then an additional fecal sample should be tested 3-4 weeks later

## FREE PUPPY KIT

- Flea control and heartworm preventative should be bought for your puppy.
- This free information kit will provide you with resources regarding vaccines, flea control, heartworm preventative and pet insurance.
- Free samples of flea control and heartworm preventative are included.
- A free toothbrush and toothpaste sample are also included.

## New Puppy Check List: Are You Ready?

- Puppy food and bowls
- Dog crate and bedding
- Collar and leash
- Safe toys
- Grooming brush
- Nail trimmers
- Toothbrush and toothpaste



## Puppy Training Classes

- Start looking into these between 12-16 weeks of age

## Spay or Neuter

- Plan for this at or after 6 months of age
- Recovery time is 14 days

## Adult Preventative Schedule

- First annual physical examination
- DA2PP vaccination – good for 3 years
- Rabies vaccination – good for 3 years
- Bordetella vaccine – good for 1 year
- Leptospirosis vaccine – good for 1 year
- Heartworm test – done yearly
- Check for intestinal parasites with a fecal sample – done yearly

If you are interested in pet insurance, plan to get your policy as soon as possible. Healthy puppies have no restrictions to their policy.

Know where your local 24-hour emergency hospital is located before you need it.

