



## Puppy Vaccination and Worming

*We are not veterinarians. Please independently confirm all doses. Concentrations vary.*

### Vaccinations

It's important to follow a close regime on vaccinations. Too close together or too far apart and they will not be effective. All pups should be vaccinated at 6, 9 & 12 weeks. At 15 weeks they are old enough for a rabies shot. Then rabies booster every year.

#### Can I give shots myself?

Absolutely, it's simple and safe. Save money and avoid the vet visit. But if you are unsure then enlist the help of your vet. (The 15-week Rabies shot has to be administered by a licensed Veterinarian to get a Rabies tag)

Vaccines are the same for all dog breeds and the same shot is good for a chihuahua to a Great Dane. One shot per puppy. **No splitting of dosage. Use fresh needles** for every pup.

Record all shots: Note the date, dose and type of vaccine.

#### Keep all vaccines refrigerated.

If you buy online you need to order with fast shipping and a cooler with ice packs. We buy a pack of 25 and the price delivered is about \$7 a shot. (Revival, Allied Vet, and Chewy are reputable online sellers)

If you are ordering 5 or less, then buying from your vet or a hardware store like Tractor Supply might be cost effective. Use ice packs to keep vaccinations cold on the drive home You will also need 3cc syringes and 18-22 Gauge needles for each shot..

#### Types of vaccines.



There are lots of manufacturers and they offer different shots. We get a 5 way it protects against parvovirus, parainfluenza, hepatitis, adenovirus, and canine distemper. There are 7 way and 8 way that add protection against kennel cough, bordetella and other viruses that are more common in a high dog population environment.

## **Where to give a shot.**

Make sure the needle is firmly attached to the syringe. Load the syringe with the two-part shot. Sterilize skin on top of puppy's neck with a cotton ball soaked in rubbing alcohol. Pinch and lift skin up and away from the neck. Insert needle tip into top of skin fold between pitched fingers. Depress plunger and remove needle. That's it.

## **Worming**

You might think “My dog doesn’t have worms so I can skip this”. But all dogs have a small number of worms that are kept under control. But the puppies don’t have an effective immune system so routine worming makes sense.



**Worm Mother** with Safeguard (Fenbendazole) for three days, one week either side of whelp.

Buy on Amazon without a prescription, also called goat wormer.



**Worm puppies at week 2 & 4 with Nemex 2.** Pyrantel Pamoate is the same thing and 1/5 the price on amazon. Dosage ½ mL per pound of body weight.



**Worm puppies with Safeguard** (Fenbendazole) every two weeks for three consecutive days, starting week 6. Safeguard has a larger number of parasites it controls and at 6 weeks it’s very safe for puppies. Dosage 0.2mL per pound of weight. So, for example a 5lb puppy gets 1 mL

## **YouTube Video: How & When to Vaccinate Your Puppy**

Go to: <https://youtu.be/KDbJC3yxNXY>

## **James’s on-line course: “Survive and Thrive”**

Get confidence and knowledge so you can give your pups expert care. Covers every stage of puppy development from birth to 10 weeks and you get James as your mentor! Use coupon code “SAVEPUPS” to get \$50 off before August 1 (Regular price: \$149. With coupon code: \$99) Go to: <https://courses.breeder101.com/p/puppy101>