

**PET VACCINATION CENTRE**

**VETERINARY SURGERY**

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**7 Point Gold Standard Preventative Puppy Plan**

**Puppy Name.....**

**1. Vaccinations**

a) Routine Vaccinations (Parvovirus, Distemper, Parainfluenza, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis)

1<sup>st</sup> Vaccination at 6-8 weeks (Date.....)

2<sup>nd</sup> Vaccination at 10 weeks (Date.....)

Puppies are protected 7 days later. Yearly boosters for some components of the vaccination are essential to keep up protection. Please make sure your records are up to date to enable us to remind you when to come back

1<sup>st</sup> booster due .....

b) Kennel Cough Vaccination

We recommend this for all puppies. It can be given from 3 weeks old or at the same time as routine vaccinations and gives 12 months protection from a single dose

c) Rabies Vaccination

This is necessary to enable pets to travel under the Pet Passport which we can issue here, please ask for details

**2. Worming**

Worms pass from the bitch to the pups in the womb and through the milk. Pups can be born with worms. Pups also get worms from worm eggs already in your home (brought in on your shoes). Worms cause stunted growth, a pot belly and diarrhoea. Worms infect people, especially children, the elderly and pregnant women.

We recommend you worm your puppy as follows

6 weeks (date.....) 8 weeks (date.....) 10 weeks (date.....)

12 weeks (date.....) 16 weeks (date.....) 20 weeks (date.....)

then every 3 months for life

Usually we recommend Fenbendazole (Panacur or Wormazole) until 6mth old then Drontal or Dolpac. Be careful of different ingredients in other brands that may not be as safe or effective

### **3. Flea Treatment**

Advocate is our gold standard flea treatment, it also protects against fox mite (mange) which is increasingly common and Lungworm which is caught from slugs/snails or slime on the grass; Lungworm is usually fatal.

Effipro is effective against fleas and ticks and may be suitable for some dogs' lifestyles

Be aware that not all "spot on" solutions are the same and the ingredients in some can potentially do more harm than good

Don't forget your house treatment! 95% of fleas/eggs/larvae/pupae live in the home!

Next flea dose due.....

### **4. Insurance**

We recommend insurance for all pups. Pups can be very accident-prone! We recommend "PetPlan" the original pet insurance company. Please ask for a 4 week free cover note for your puppy. If buying a different policy please be aware of the level of cover, the excess and the length of cover to make sure this is appropriate for your pet.

Should your puppy unfortunately become unwell we offer a complete veterinary service with diagnostics and treatments which will typically be covered by pet insurance provided that you already have a policy in force.

Cover note issue date.....

### **5. Microchip and ID Tag**

Microchipping is essential for dogs and from 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 will be a legal requirement in England. A thermo chip is also available which reads your puppy's temperature. A collar and tag with your name and address is also a legal requirement and your mobile number is recommended to ensure swift return of a lost pup (e.g. in the park)

### **6. Neutering**

We recommend neutering at 5 months old. This means female pups never have a season and they tend to recover from their operation more quickly. They will never get a phantom pregnancy, pyometra (fatal uterine infection) or uterine/ovarian cancer. It reduces the risk of breast cancer. In male pups it reduces unwanted sexual behaviour and aggression. It prevents testicular cancer and reduces the risk of prostate cancer. There is a reversible 'castration injection' for those that would like to see the results of castration before the operation

Recommended date for Neutering.....

### **7. Diet and Feeding**

We recommend complete dry food for the best development of your pup. Compared to wet food it's cheaper per meal, less messy and better for teeth (which means less bad breath and more kisses!). Quality puppy food will give your puppy the best start in life, healthy joints and a glossy coat. The best diets are energy dense which means less stool to clean up and a healthier digestion. We recommend Royal Canin

4 meals per day to 3 months; 3 meals per day to 6 months; 2 meals per day thereafter.

### **Socialisation!!!**

Please ask to book your puppy into our regular puppy parties to ensure early and effective socialisation.