

Canine Vaccine Risk Assessment Form

Owner's Name: _____ Pet's Name: _____
Client Number: _____ Breed: _____ Sex: _____
Color: _____ D.O.B / Age: _____

Remember: **Protection = Prevention**

LEPTOSPIROSIS is a bacterial disease that can be found in most animals, including wildlife (deer, raccoons, opossums, skunks, and rodents) and other dogs. The bacteria are passed via the urine and are present in any stagnant surface water, most soil, and recreational sources, such as ponds and lakes. Leptospirosis is a contagious disease and can be transmitted from dog to dog and dog to human. If infected, these bacteria can be fatal. It causes kidney and liver failure. Treatment includes several days of quarantined hospitalization, antibiotics, and supportive care.

I want to vaccinate my dog from leptospirosis to protect my dog from this potentially fatal disease.

I DO NOT want to vaccinate my dog from leptospirosis.

LYME DISEASE is caused by bacteria that are transmitted through certain tick species, including the deer tick and western black legged tick. Your dog is at an increased risk of contracting Lyme disease if it spends time in wooded areas or low-growing grasslands, or spends time outdoors during peak tick season. Visits to Lyme endemic areas of the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, or upper Midwest also put your dog at risk. If you have ever found a tick on your dog, vaccination is recommended. If infected, Lyme disease can cause joint swelling, lameness, fever, kidney failure, and poor doing. It is thought that once your dog is infected, it is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to clear the bacteria from the body.

I want to vaccinate my dog from Lyme disease due to its increased risk.

I DO NOT want to vaccinate my dog from Lyme disease.

CANINE COUGH (Bordetella) is an upper respiratory disease similar to the common cold. The cough can be quite persistent and is usually of a dry hacking nature. This discomfort can last up to 12 weeks. Very young, older, or otherwise immunocompromised dogs are at a higher risk of developing a more severe form of canine cough. Your dog can catch this disease simply by coming into contact with dogs that have it, in such places as boarding kennels, grooming salons, local parks, or neighborhoods. Most kennels require vaccination against canine cough before admittance. The duration of vaccine is 12-14 months, but the recommendation with risk of increased contact is vaccinating every 6 months.

I want to vaccinate my dog from Canine Cough due to its risk.

I DO NOT want to vaccinate my dog from Canine Cough.

CANINE INFLUENZA is an upper respiratory disease similar to the flu. The symptoms of canine influenza are similar to the human flu: cough, runny nose, and fever. It is easily transmitted through respiratory secretions (sneezing, coughing, nasal discharge). Dogs with influenza may develop pneumonia that might require hospitalization, Vaccination against canine flu should be considered for any at-risk breed, dogs with heart or respiratory conditions, dogs that travel or show, and those that have extensive contact with other dogs (boarding, grooming, training facilities, and dog parks).

I want to vaccinate my dog for Canine Influenza due to its risk.

I DO NOT want to vaccinate my dog from Canine Influenza.

TICK BORNE DISEASES are transmitted via tick bites. If you are unsure of your pet's risk for these diseases, please ask your technician or assistant.

I would like to test my dog for Lyme, Ehrlichia, and Anaplasma (common tick borne diseases).

My dog has had an adverse reaction to vaccines in the past.

When? _____ Explain: _____

Signature _____ Date _____