



Vaccination General Requirements

Having your dog vaccinated is not a guarantee and there is still a risk that dogs may still contract a contagious disease or illness. But ensuring these basic Vaccinations are kept up to date on an annual basis (or every 3 years for some rabies) will help keep your dog healthy!

Rabies

Puppies can be vaccinated by 16 weeks of age. Mature dogs can be vaccinated every third year. Rabies protects your dog against the rabies virus.

Bordetella

An annual Bordetella (Kennel Cough) vaccination is highly recommended but does not stop your dog getting Kennel Cough. It simply makes the symptoms less severe.

Distemper / Hepatitis / Parvovirus (DHPP, DA2PPV or other combination vaccination)

This combination vaccination is what is referred to as the 3 puppy shots. Puppy shots should be done at intervals of 6-8 weeks, 12 weeks and 16 weeks.

Once a puppy is immunized against these viruses (after third puppy shot) the shot should be re-done annually.

All CAARE dogs are adopted out UTD on their core vaccinations. We cover all three puppy shots and bordatella (if of age). Rabies is only covered if the puppy is 16 weeks of age at the time of adoption.