



# ESSENTIAL DOG VACCINATION



## CoreVaccines

**Rabies.** A devastating disease that infects the brain and is almost always fatal. Rabies is caused by the rabies virus. It is contagious to humans and can cause pets to suddenly become violent without warning.

## Non-CoreVaccines

**Parainfluenza.** A contagious virus that attacks a dog's respiratory system.



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**Canine parvovirus.** A contagious virus that commonly causes gastrointestinal disease. It is often fatal for puppies and immuno-compromised dogs, especially if they are not hospitalized.

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**Leptospirosis.** An infectious disease caused by *Leptospira* bacteria. Leptospirosis is contagious to humans. We strongly recommend asking your veterinarian about this vaccine if your dog spends a lot of time outdoors or anywhere that wildlife frequents.



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**Canine distemper virus.** This highly contagious viral disease affects multiple organs.

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**Bordetella.** A highly contagious respiratory disease caused by the bordetella bronchiseptica bacterium. This vaccine can also help prevent kennel cough. If you plan to send your dog to day care or boarding, ask your vet about the Bordetella vaccine.



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**Canine adenovirus-Hepatitis.** An infectious virus that causes respiratory disease in dogs.

## Why?

Vaccinating your pet is one of the easiest way to protect them against serious illnesses.

## When?

Kittens start their vaccines at 8-9 weeks, and have a second booster at 12 weeks plus the rabies vaccine. A single booster vaccination is then given annually.

## Registration?

In Dubai, a municipality tag is being issued when rabies is given. Registration is done yearly and is mandatory.