

# Puppy & Kitten Care

## Quick Reference Guide

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A handy guide to help you provide the best care for your new puppy or kitten for the first six months.

### 2 & 4 Weeks of Age

- ✓ Ideally puppies and kittens should be dewormed at 2 weeks of age and again at 4 weeks of age. If this has not been done by the time you acquire your puppy/kitten you should have a stool sample checked and have them dewormed as soon as possible.

### 6 Weeks of Age

- ✓ First vaccinations should be started
  - ▼ At this first visit they will receive their first combination vaccine (puppies-DHLPP-C and kittens-FVRCP-C-L –the L is an option to add leukemia to the vaccine for kittens who will be indoor/outdoor, outdoor only, or go to the groomer/board). For puppies you also have the option of starting the flu vaccine series.
- ✓ They should also have a stool sample checked for intestinal parasites and be dewormed
- ✓ Start puppies on heartworm prevention

### 9-10 Weeks of Age

- ✓ Second set of vaccinations
  - ▼ They will receive another combination vaccination and if receiving the flu vaccine it should be boosted at this visit as well
- ✓ They should be dewormed again and another stool check done if having intestinal issues (diarrhea)
- ✓ Can start both puppies/kittens on flea/tick prevention

### 12-13 Weeks of Age

- ✓ Third combination vaccination as well as bordetella (this is the kennel cough vaccination) for puppies and Rabies vaccinations for both puppies and kittens (this rabies vaccination is good for 1 year)

### 16 Weeks of Age

- ✓ Last combination vaccine is given

### 4-6 Months of Age

- ✓ You can have your pet spayed/neutered beginning at 4 months old (kittens can be declawed at the same time)

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