Pet Vaccination Checklist

A checklist to help pet owners understand core vaccines, track records, and stay on schedule with their veterinarian's guidance.

Before Vaccinating

- [ ] Confirm your pet's age, weight, and health status
- [ ] Gather any prior vaccination records you have
- [ ] Ask your vet which vaccines are due now
- [ ] Note any past reactions to vaccines or medicines
- [ ] Schedule the visit and plan any needed boosters
  Ask your vet to confirm the right plan for your pet

Core Vaccines to Discuss

- [ ] Rabies vaccine, often required by law
- [ ] Distemper protection for your pet's species
- [ ] Parvovirus for dogs as part of core care
- [ ] Adenovirus and parainfluenza for dogs as advised
- [ ] Feline panleukopenia and respiratory viruses for cats
  Core recommendations vary by region and vet, so confirm with your vet

Lifestyle Vaccines to Consider

- [ ] Bordetella for dogs that board or socialize
- [ ] Leptospirosis based on local risk and exposure
- [ ] Canine influenza for higher-contact dogs
- [ ] Lyme disease where ticks are common
- [ ] Feline leukemia for cats with outdoor access

Information to Record

- [ ] Vaccine name and what it protects against
- [ ] Date given and the clinic or vet who administered it
- [ ] Lot or batch number when provided
- [ ] Next due date for the booster
- [ ] Any reaction noted in the hours after the shot

After Each Vaccine

- [ ] Watch for mild soreness, tiredness, or low appetite
- [ ] Note any swelling, vomiting, or distress to report
- [ ] Give your pet a calm space to rest
- [ ] Update your records and set the next reminder
- [ ] Keep a copy ready for boarding or travel
  Contact your vet promptly if you see a strong or lasting reaction

Staying on Schedule

- [ ] Set calendar reminders for upcoming boosters
- [ ] Review the plan at each wellness visit
- [ ] Update records when you change vets or move
- [ ] Keep a digital backup of the vaccination history
- [ ] Ask about combining due vaccines into one visit

Important

- [ ] This checklist is general information for owners, not veterinary advice; vaccine schedules vary by region and vet and by your pet's needs, so always consult a licensed veterinarian

  For any reaction or emergency, contact your vet or an emergency animal hospital immediately