



Vaccinating your dog

Here at PPVH, we strongly recommend immunising your dog against viral disease. The C3 vaccine helps your dog build immunity to the three most prevalent and debilitating canine diseases (listed below). Once the puppy series is complete, the C3 vaccine is administered on a triennial schedule. In addition, your dog should be vaccinated annually against canine kennel cough. This is considered the minimum standard in Australia. Depending on your dog's lifestyle, they may require additional immunisations. Ask one of our veterinarians for more information.

The C3 covers:

- > Canine distemper virus – highly contagious, causes incurable disease affecting multiple organ systems
- > Canine adenovirus – highly contagious, affects the upper respiratory tract first before progressing to systemic disease
- > Canine parvovirus – highly contagious, most commonly causes gastrointestinal disease (vomiting and diarrhoea), however can also cause heart disease

The Canine Cough vaccine covers:

- > *Bordetella bronchiseptica* and canine parainfluenza virus – both cause “kennel cough”

Ideal schedule:

- C3 + canine cough vaccine = C5

Age	Recommended Treatment
6 – 8 weeks	Puppy vaccine # 1 (C3)
10 – 12 weeks	Puppy vaccine # 2 (C5)
14-16 weeks	Puppy vaccine # 3 (C3)
Annually	Canine cough vaccine
Triennially	C3

- If your pet holidays in other parts of Australia or in other countries, they may require vaccination against additional diseases (e.g *Leptospirosis*, rabies) specific to that location. For more information, speak to the veterinarian
- Puppies are not considered immune until they have received all three vaccines in the puppy series
- Veterinarians cannot administer vaccines without giving the animal a full physical examination first
- Understand that vaccinations should be used in conjunction with parasite prevention to best protect your pet from infectious disease
- Prohart's annual heartworm prevention injection is **not** a vaccine, however you may find it convenient to synchronise this with your pet's annual vaccinations
- We are more than happy to provide vaccination certificates upon request