

## Purrry's Release Instructions

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If there are any questions or concerns please call  
561-626-4813*



### Purrry's Vital Statistics

### Purrry's Guardian

**Birth Date:** 01/01/2007  
**Breed:** DSH  
**Sex:** Female Spayed  
**Temp:** Normal  
**Color:** Black  
**Weight:** Normal

Sample Client

## INFECTIOUS DISEASE RISK ASSESSMENT

### Risk Assessment Information

Infectious diseases are rarely observed in well-vaccinated pets. But, preventable disease occurs frequently in pets that are not protected. Depending on age and exposure factors we routinely vaccinate pets against 4-8 different diseases. Some vaccines are approved for and provide proven immunity for durations of up to three years. For other vaccines, research currently proves only one full year of immunity. Combination vaccines are used to minimize the number of injections for the comfort of your pet.

Your pet's health is important to us. Although we do not recommend over vaccinating to maintain good health, we believe it is important that every owner understand that under-vaccinating may be deadly. The health of you and your family is also very important. All pets need to be vaccinated for Rabies that can be transmitted to people. Dogs that go outdoors, where wildlife have access to, need to be vaccinated for Leptospirosis which can be transmitted to people.

Vaccines are not without risks. On rare occasions a pet may have an adverse or allergic reaction. There are no guarantees that vaccines will not hurt your pet. When such histories exist, measures may be taken prior to vaccination to minimize the risk of an adverse reaction, or the particular disease vaccine may be avoided or given less frequently, depending on the pet's potential exposure to infection. We recommend monitoring your pet for 4-6 hours after vaccination. We use only non-adjuvanted vaccines for cats because they are safer. Adjuvants are chemicals added to some vaccines to help stimulate the immune system to respond, but they can also trigger more reactions in a small number of predisposed cats.

Individual vaccine protocols must balance the benefit of disease prevention and the risk of immunity breakdown with potential adverse effects of vaccines. We keep up to date on all current scientific and medical research that affects how vaccine protocols will be customized for your pet. Our recommendations will be based on your pet's individual circumstances and will reflect the protocols we use for our own beloved pets in similar situations.

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Answering the following questions will help us develop a customized vaccination program to protect your pet.

This is only a partial list of the factors that influence disease risk. We may have additional questions to help determine a vaccination program that is best for your pet. If you have additional questions or concerns, please ask us.

**The numbers after each question correspond to the vaccinations listed**

**below.** 

### **RISK FACTORS**

**Does your cat ever go outdoors? (1,2,3)**

**Yes, my cat goes outdoors**

**Does your cat ever come into contact with other cats that go outside or of unknown FeLV status? (1,2,3)**

**Yes, my cat comes into contact with outside cats**

**Does your cat ever go to a groomer, day care, or boarding facility where it may contact other cats?**

**Yes, my cat goes to a groomer or boarding facility**

**Does your cat ever go to Cat shows? (1,3)**

**Yes, my cat goes to Cat shows**

**Has your pet ever had an adverse or allergic reaction to a vaccine?**

**No, my pet has never had an adverse reaction**

**Do you have any other cats with any different circumstances than this cat?**

**No, I do not have cats with different circumstance**

**Is any person in the house immuno-compromised or taking immunosuppressive medications?**

**No, no person is immuno-compromised.**



### **Recommended Immunizations**

**1. FVRCP** Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis / Calicivirus / Panleukopenia. *Rhinotracheitis* : This herpes

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virus infection of cats is a highly contagious respiratory disease. Rhinotracheitis is characterized by sneezing, loss of appetite and eye inflammation. It is the most serious of the upper respiratory diseases in cats and, in advanced stages, produces a discharge from both the eyes and nose. Rhinotracheitis can be fatal to kittens and can become chronic. As in most herpes virus infections stress can cause the infection to reoccur. *Calicivirus* : This serious upper respiratory disease often occurs simultaneously with rhinotracheitis. Signs of infection are similar, but cats with calicivirus may also have ulcers on the tongue. Death is uncommon. *Panleukopenia* : This viral infection of cats is also known as feline distemper. Panleukopenia is among the most widespread of all cat diseases and is extremely contagious. Clinical signs include fever, loss of appetite or coordination, tremors, vomiting and diarrhea. Death occurs in three-fourths of kittens and about half of adult cats that get the disease.

**FVRCP 3-Year Vaccination is Recommended** for all cats indoors and outdoors. Although current FVRCP vaccines are not labeled for 3 year intervals, current research has proven immunity for durations up to 3 years in adult cats with some of the new FVRCP vaccines.

**3. Rabies Virus** Rabies is the most frequently requested vaccine for pets because most people have heard of this highly fatal viral infection of the nervous system which affects all warm-blooded animals species. Rabies is one of the few 100% fatal diseases that is transferable to humans from pets. It is a State Law that all dogs, cats, and ferrets be vaccinated for rabies once every three years. The vaccine is labeled for and has been proven to provide immunity for three years, however, in some states yearly or bi-annual vaccination is the law.

We are now using the new PureVax feline rabies vaccine because it is the safest rabies vaccine available for your cat. It is the only non-adjuvanted Rabies vaccine available. Adjuvants are chemicals added to some vaccines to help stimulate the immune system to respond, but they can also trigger more reactions in predisposed cats.

**Rabies 3-year Vaccination is Recommended** for all pets.

**3. Feline Leukemia Virus** Feline Leukemia Virus suppresses the cat's immune system, leaving it unable to resist other infections, including pneumonia. Infection can be transient and recoverable or permanent and fatal, depending on the situation. Signs of possible infection are continuing poor health or frequent illness or fever. Feline leukemia virus, as its name suggests, can also cause leukemia and other cancers of white blood cells.

Feline leukemia vaccination is recommended for kittens in their first year regardless of indoor/outdoor lifestyle status. At this age they are at greatest risk for infection and greatest risk for escape outside.

**Leukemia 1-year Vaccination is Recommended** for all outdoor cats and for cats that may come in contact with other cats of unproven vaccine status. Research has shown that vaccines for Feline Leukemia Virus only provide up to one year of immunity.

**Feline Leukemia Testing is recommended yearly** for cats that go outdoors and may be exposed to other cats of unknown Felv status

## Additional Information



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**Symptoms To Watch For After Vaccinations** It is normal for your pet to feel sluggish for a day or two after vaccinations, especially for puppies and kittens. If this is severe or persistent, or if you see any other reactions such as hives, facial swelling, weakness or vomiting please call our office. After office hours call the Pet Emergency Clinic (Northlake Blvd, PBG) at 561-691-9999, the Jupiter Pet Emergency Center (Central Blvd, Jupiter) at 561-741-4041, or Veterinary Specialty Hospital (Hood Rd, PBG) at 561-625-9995. We recommend you monitor your pet for any reaction for 4-6 hours after vaccinations.

It is also not uncommon for a small, firm, painless swelling to form under the skin at the injection site. The swelling is almost always of no consequence and it usually disappears after several weeks. Please contact our office if you notice a swelling at the vaccine site, especially if it is persistent after 2 weeks or growing larger.

### FeLV/FIV Tests

This is a test done on a blood sample to determine if your pet is infected with Feline Leukemia (FeLV) or Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV). Feline Leukemia and Feline Aids (Feline Immunodeficiency Virus) have been shown to be an underlying cause of Anterior Uveitis in addition to many other disease conditions in cats. These viruses are not contagious to people or to pets other than cats. This test should be done on all cats initially, then yearly if they go outside or are exposed to other cats of unknown FeLV/FIV status.

#### *FeLV/FIV Yearly*