

## **New Kitten Information & Vaccination Guide**

## Overview

Congratulations on your new kitten! Early veterinary visits are vital to ensure your pet's lifelong health. During the first few months, kittens receive a series of vaccinations that protect against multiple contagious and potentially life-threatening diseases. These visits also include deworming, flea and tick prevention, and discussions about nutrition, microchipping, and spaying or neutering.

## **Kitten Vaccination Schedule**

Age	Vaccine(s)	Purpose / Notes
6-8 Weeks	FVRCP (1st dose)	Protects against Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis, Calicivirus, Panleukopenia, and Chlamydophila felis.
10-12 Weeks	FVRCP (2nd dose), FeLV (1st dose), Rabies (1st dose)	Boosts core protection; FeLV protects against Feline Leukemia Virus; Rabies required by law.
16 Weeks	FeLV (2nd dose)	Second FeLV dose given 3–4 weeks after the first.
1 Year	FVRCP & Rabies boosters	Maintains long-term immunity.
Annually	FeLV booster (for outdoor or multi-cat homes)	Continued protection and wellness check.

## **About the FVRCP Vaccine**

The FVRCP vaccine is a combination shot that protects your kitten against four major feline diseases: Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis (FVR), Calicivirus (C), Panleukopenia (P), and Chlamydophila felis.

Here's what each component means:

- FVR Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis (Herpesvirus-1): Causes sneezing, nasal discharge, and eye ulcers; a common upper respiratory infection.
- C Calicivirus: Leads to oral ulcers, fever, and respiratory illness; some strains cause lameness or pneumonia.
- P Panleukopenia: Also known as feline distemper, a severe and often fatal disease affecting the digestive and immune systems.
- Chlamydophila felis: A bacterial infection causing conjunctivitis and upper respiratory symptoms.

The CP portion of FVRCP (Calicivirus and Panleukopenia) provides essential core protection against highly contagious and life-threatening diseases.

<sup>\*</sup> After your kitten completes their vaccination series, schedule a visit to review adult vaccine boosters and ongoing health care. Milford Village Veterinary Clinic is here to provide lifelong wellness guidance for your feline companion.