



# PEDIATRIC WELLNESS CARE

## Vaccine Protocols, Parasite Management, & Zoonotic Disease Prevention

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**TABLE 2. VACCINE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR KITTENS**

Vaccine	Initial Vaccine Series
<b>CORE VACCINES</b>	
<b>Panleukopenia (MLV) + Herpesvirus (MLV) + Calicivirus (MLV)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administer single dose as early as 6 weeks of age; then, every 3 to 4 weeks until 16 weeks of age.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attenuated (MLV) vaccine recommended over inactivated vaccine.</li> <li>FPV + FHV-2 + FCV (MLV) and FHV-1 + FCV (MLV) available for intranasal administration.</li> </ul>
<b>Rabies (1-year killed or r)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administer single dose at 12 or 16 weeks of age.</li> <li>Do NOT administer prior to 12 weeks of age.</li> <li>Local, state, and provincial statutes may apply.</li> </ul>
<b>Rabies (3-year killed)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some locations permit substituting a 3-year labeled vaccine.</li> <li>If used, administer single dose at 12 or 16 weeks of age.</li> <li>Do NOT administer prior to 12 weeks of age.</li> <li>Local, state, or provincial statutes may apply.</li> </ul>
<b>Feline leukemia virus (1-year killed or r)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administer 2 doses, 3 to 4 weeks apart, as early as 8 weeks of age.</li> </ul>
<b>NONCORE VACCINES</b>	
<b>Feline immunodeficiency virus (killed)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administer 3 initial doses, 2 to 4 weeks apart, if indicated.</li> </ul>
<b>Feline Bordetella bronchiseptica (AvLB)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administer single dose (intranasal only) as early as 8 weeks of age, if indicated.</li> </ul>
<b>Feline Chlamydomphila felis (AvLB or killed)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administer 2 doses, 3 to 4 weeks apart, if indicated.</li> </ul>
<b>Virulent systemic calicivirus (killed)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administer 2 doses, 2 to 4 weeks apart, if indicated.</li> </ul>

AvLB = avirulent live bacteria; MLV = modified-live virus; r = recombinant

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