

YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT SHOTS ETC ANSWERED:

We ask that cats that need to have updated shots (and who are usually kept up to date with their shots) to have their **FVRCP and/or Rabies** boosters at least **48 - 72 hours** in advance of boarding if this falls due around that time. This is in case they have an allergic reaction to the vaccines, which happens only occasionally, and the cat requires veterinary assistance.

For those cats who are going to be vaccinated specifically for boarding with us in order for the vaccination to become fully effective it should be carried out **14 DAYS** in advance of the first day of boarding. Any adverse reaction will also have manifested and can be treated accordingly.

ALL CATS NEED A FLEA TREATMENT APPLIED BEFORE BOARDING. AS THESE TOPICAL TREATMENTS ONLY LAST 30 DAYS, THEY NEED TO BE APPLIED EVERY TIME THEY BOARD (Unless they will be returning within that same 30 day period).All of our health requirements MUST be met for your cat to be able to board with us. Proof will be required.

RHINOTRACHEITIS, CALICIVIRUS AND PANLEUKOPENIA ("CORE" VACCINES) are required;

RABIES is also essential for boarding with us - your vet will know when your pet's vaccine is due, as these are not always annually.

COPIES OF BOTH MUST BE PROVIDED (and the flea treatment to be used) and are kept on file and **verified every time the cat boards.**

Cats, like dogs should be wormed on a regular basis and normally the vet provides this with the annual checkup (at least). We have a lot of soft furnishings for the cats' enjoyment and as these are shared we ask that every person boarding their animal respects their own cat's health as well as everyone else's.

Cats are usually de-wormed A MINIMUM of once a year or more. Check with your vet for advice.

Like the shots, worming and flea treatments for parasite control is essential for the cat's well being. I appreciate concerns regarding 'over-medicating', but a flea treatment is something we insist on when you are boarding at the cattery and is for EVERYONE's benefit.

Vets will always advise to get shots etc WHEN THE CAT IS BOARDING, even though cats are not allowed to mix freely unless from the same household.

Before requesting the shots/flea/parasite control I did consult my own vet and another local vet for advice on what should be the best practice FOR THE CATTERY. They advised me accordingly and this is what our requirements are based on. Indeed I have several clients who have chosen to board here primarily on the stringent health requirements. Our Calgary Humane Society Approval was based upon maintaining such due diligence in our day-to-day operations.

These requirements are in place for everyone's health and safety, which is why they cannot be compromised, regardless of whether or not your cat is an "indoor only" cat.

Cats found to have any kind of flea, tick or parasite will be taken to our local vet, treated and the cost (plus transportation costs) added to your bill.

Please ASK YOUR OWN VET which is the best treatment for FLEAS for your pet(s). Some cats do better on different meds or in cases of individual health issues affecting the choice.

I cannot recommend a particular brand, as I am not qualified to do so. Your Vet is the person to ask.

Please consult your vet and have shots updated in plenty of time and flea treatments in place if you still wish to board. Complete an Application Form and email or fax it to me - **ahead of time if possible** (with the copies of vaccinations). If not, you can bring them on the day – but they must meet all the criteria to be admitted! Then call me to make your non-refundable deposit. Your booking is then firm.