

come a **statistic.**

What else can you do?

- Don't leave garbage or pet food outdoors where it may attract wild or stray animals.
- Observe all wild animals from a distance.
- If you see a wild animal acting strangely, report it to your local animal control authorities.



Advanced protection against a fatal disease.

Your veterinarian chooses PUREVAX Feline Rabies vaccine for many important reasons. It's formulated just for cats and kittens. It's proven. And it's the *only* nonadjuvanted feline rabies vaccine available.

PUREVAX Feline Rabies vaccine gives your cat protection that's pure, safe and effective.

If you have any questions about vaccination against rabies, ask your veterinarian.



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Rabies:

It's always fatal.

Is your cat protected?



Don't let your cat become a *statistic.*

Today, more cats are infected with rabies than any other pet — about 300 cases each year.¹ All it takes to contract this deadly disease is exposure to an infected animal through a scratch, cut or bite.

Fortunately, there's something you can do. A simple vaccination is the best way to help protect your cat against rabies. Even if you keep your cat indoors, it should still be vaccinated — and it's usually required by law.

What is rabies?

Rabies is an acute viral infection that can affect all warm-blooded animals. The disease is almost always caused by the bite of an infected animal that has rabies virus in its saliva. Younger animals are usually more susceptible to rabies infection.² And it's always fatal once clinical signs appear.³

What if my cat has possibly been exposed?

If your cat has been bitten by or exposed to a wild or potentially rabid animal, talk with your veterinarian immediately and report it to local animal control authorities. Even if your cat has a current vaccination, it's still important to contact your veterinarian.

Rabies in the wild. *Raccoons, bats, skunks, foxes, coyotes and other wildlife can all carry and spread the rabies virus.*

Signs and Prevention.

Once the rabies virus enters the body, it travels along the nerves to the brain. It can take a matter of days, weeks or months for your pet to show signs of rabies.² Infected cats may show unusual behavior such as being anxious, staring or having a blank look. They may be weak and uncoordinated or run continuously.²



Cats that have never been vaccinated and are exposed to a rabid animal may need to be euthanized or placed in strict isolation for six months. Check with your veterinarian or local public health official for requirements.

Vaccinate to protect your cat.

To give your cat the protection it needs, this clinic recommends vaccination with PUREVAX® Feline Rabies vaccine.

It's a highly effective and proven annual rabies vaccine developed just for cats and kittens. PUREVAX Feline Rabies vaccine also protects without the need for adjuvants, chemical additives that may present potential risks to feline patients, such as injection site reactions and chronic inflammation.^{4,5} Chronic inflammation has been associated with the development of cancer in some cats.^{6,7}

This makes PUREVAX Feline Rabies vaccine a smart choice. In fact, it's the only rabies vaccine approved for use in kittens as young as 8 weeks old.⁸ Consult your veterinarian to see if this applies in your location; regulations may vary.

