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KENNEL COUGH VACCINATIONS.

What is Kennel Cough ?

Kennel Cough (or Canine Cough) is a highly infectious upper respiratory infection - that presents with a hacking cough - often with gagging and wrenching. It can progress to cause a chest infection.

How does my dog catch Kennel Cough ?

Kennel Cough is transmitted by aerosol spread (being coughed on) and sharing contaminated food and water bowls.

How can I protect my dog ?

With so many types and protocols currently being used to vaccinate dogs it can get very confusing. - C3, C4, C5 , C7 Which one do you need to give protection from Kennel Cough ?

The easy answer is that both a C3 and C4 do not provide sufficient (if any) protection from Kennel cough. In fact a C3 has no protection. To have protection from Kennel Cough, a C5 or a C7 needs to be given – and the Kennel Cough component needs to be renewed every 12 months – irrespective of whether your vet is using annual or triennial vaccinations.

What do the different numbers mean ?

- * A C3 vaccination provides cover for : Distemper, Hepatitis , and Parvo virus
- * A C4 vaccination does NOT provide adequate cover for Kennel Cough (Canine Cough) - it only protects against one of the components of Kennel Cough, namely Parainfluenza - and NOT Bordetella
- * A C5 vaccination covers for Distemper, Hepatitis, Parvo virus and the 2 components of Kennel cough (Canine Cough) - namely Bordetella and Parainfluenza.
- * A C7 vaccination covers all of the above C5 components PLUS Coronavirus and Leptospirosis.