



The next time a client says
“I don’t want my dog vaccinated every year”,
what will you say?

Well, for a start you can say that Nobivac® vaccines are now licensed to provide *three* years’ proven protection against parvo, hepatitis and distemper.

Should there be any accusations of ‘jumping on the bandwagon’, you might also wish to mention that Intervet has been working on extended duration of immunity since the mid-1990s. After all, long term studies – of the quality needed to convince licensing authorities – can’t be done overnight.

And don’t forget to point out that the same quality of research has gone into our leptospirosis vaccine. That although this now offers enhanced protection, the latest data

still proves the need for annual boosting – otherwise protection starts to decline.

But will this satisfy owners, in the face of such a concerted anti-vaccine campaign? We hope so, because the alternative is a serious resurgence of disease, of the sort seen in Finland.¹

And let’s be clear: if that happens, homeopathic nosodes will provide little defence.



The future of vaccination

The new recommended vaccination regime

Intervet now recommends the following vaccination regime:

6-8 weeks	Nobivac® DHPPi + Nobivac® Lepto 2
10 weeks	Nobivac DHPPi + Nobivac Lepto 2
1st annual booster	Nobivac DHPPi + Nobivac Lepto 2
2nd annual booster	Nobivac® Pi + Nobivac Lepto 2
3rd annual booster	Nobivac Pi + Nobivac Lepto 2
4th annual booster	Nobivac DHPPi + Nobivac Lepto 2
5th annual booster	Nobivac Pi + Nobivac Lepto 2
6th annual booster	Nobivac Pi + Nobivac Lepto 2
7th annual booster	Nobivac DHPPi + Nobivac Lepto 2
etc., etc.	

Note that the first annual revaccination should be a full booster. This is in line with current academic opinion and best practice.

If the pup is not presented until 10 weeks or later then the primary course should be as follows:

At initial presentation:	Nobivac DHPPi + Nobivac Lepto 2
Two to four weeks later:	Nobivac Pi + Nobivac Lepto 2



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Nobivac DHPPi is a live attenuated vaccine containing canine distemper virus, canine adenovirus-2 (CAV₂), canine parvovirus and canine parainfluenza virus. Legal category [POM] Nobivac PPI is a live attenuated vaccine containing canine parvovirus and canine parainfluenza virus. Legal category [POM] Nobivac Parvo-C is a live attenuated vaccine containing canine parvovirus. Legal category [POM] Nobivac Pi is a live attenuated vaccine containing canine parainfluenza virus. Legal category [POM] Nobivac Lepto 2 is an inactivated vaccine containing *Leptospira interrogans* serogroups Canicola (strain Ca - 12-000) and icterohaemorrhagiae (strain 820k). Legal category [POM]

Contra indications: Only healthy dogs should be vaccinated. Vaccination may not be effective in dogs incubating disease at the time of vaccination. Following completion of a primary course vaccination, dogs should not be exposed to vaccination for at least 14 days. A diffuse swelling up to 5 mm in diameter may be observed at the site of injection. Occasionally this swelling may be hard and painful and last for up to 3 days post injection. In the rare event of a hypersensitivity reaction following vaccination, administer an antihistamine, corticosteroid or adrenaline. Some animals may be immunologically incompetent and fail to respond to vaccination. Animals that have received corresponding antiserum or immunosuppressive drugs should not be vaccinated until an interval of at least 4 weeks has elapsed. Nobivac DHPPi should not be used in minks or ferrets. For animal treatment only. Keep out of reach of children.

Reference: I. C. Ek-Kommomen, L. Sihvonen, K. Pekkanen, U. Rikula, L. Nuotio, Outbreaks of canine distemper in vaccinated dogs in Finland, *Veterinary Record* (1997), 141, 380-383.