



Information Sheet

Worming

Dogs and cats get several kinds of worms :-

- Roundworms - which can be like threads or if larger are earthworm shaped - long and thin and pointed at each end
- Tapeworms - develop inside the animal as a head and body with many or few segments attached - we usually see the segments which are shed rectally as "grains of rice".
- Lungworms- Infected dogs will cough, spread by larvae in infected faeces or by slugs or snails which act as intermediate hosts
- Hook and Whipworm-Rarely seen in pet dogs-intestinal worms associated more with hunt and racing dogs

Kittens and puppies may get roundworms from their mothers both across the placenta and with the milk unless the bitch or queen has a very intensive course of worm treatment throughout their pregnancy - this could be by using e.g. Panacur at regular intervals.

Treatment of worms: -

Puppies and kittens: -

Use tablets or liquid or paste. Every 2 weeks from 8 to 12 weeks then monthly until 6 months old.

Adults:-

Treat all animals every 3 months for roundworms and tapeworms. Roundworm treatment is recommended for public health reasons as well as for the health of the pet

Multi wormers treating both round and tapeworms:-

MILBEMAX tablets Dog & Cat (including lungworm)

PANACUR liquid or granules Dog & Cat

DRONTAL CAT/PLUS tablets Dog and Cat

PROFENDER spot on Cat

IF YOU HAVE A CAT THAT HUNTS A LOT WE ADVISE MONTHLY WORMING

IF YOU HAVE A DOG THAT SCAVANGES A LOT WE ADVISE MONTHLY WORMING