

# **Boarding at Pickens Animal Hospital: Medical Requirements**

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At PAH, we take pride in providing clean and comfortable boarding facilities for your companion animal while you are away from home. Equally important is ensuring the health and safety of both the boarding pets and our staff members.

The following requirements were established for the protection of the health and safety of all pets in our facility and our pet care staff. Following these guidelines also minimizes the chance of your pet being exposed to serious, life threatening diseases while staying with us.

Boarding is available only for healthy pets. Any pets that are ill or ailing are considered hospitalization cases and are accepted only after consultation with and approval by one of our veterinarians.

## **CATS**

- Annual Vaccinations: Rabies & CVRC (Either administered at PAH or documented by a Certificate of Vaccination from a licensed D.V.M.)

## **DOGS**

- Annual Vaccinations: Rabies, DHPP & Bordetella (Either administered at PAH or documented by a Certificate of Vaccination from a licensed D.V.M.)

## **Additional Considerations:**

Any boarding pet found to have fleas and/or ticks will be treated at the owner's expense.

PAH will not board litters of puppies or kittens, pregnant dogs, or dogs known to be in heat. If the dog goes into heat while boarding, appropriate precautions will be taken.

If the boarding pet is not a client or a previous boarder, a "meet and greet" with a member of the kennel staff is required.

A physical exam is not required prior to boarding but the owner must sign our boarding form, which preauthorizes an exam in the event their pet becomes sick while boarding.