



Veterinary Care for Your New Kitten

Kittens require vaccines every 4 weeks, up to the age of four months. At about 5 ½ months they should be neutered or spayed.

Distemper Vaccinations should be given every four weeks, for a series of three to four shots. To be effective, it's essential that the shots be given on schedule.

Rabies Vaccinations are required by MA law, even for indoor cats. Your kitten should receive a rabies vaccination when it is about four months old, and annual boosters thereafter.

Stool Sample – We strongly advise that you take your kitten's stool sample to your vet and have it tested for worms.

Spay/Neuter Surgery The age for spay/neuter surgery is at five months for males and at six months for females. For information on low cost spay/neuter surgery, see the Mansfield Shelter website at www.mansfieldshelter.org.

Two organizations visit area Petco stores with their mobile surgical vans to provide low-cost s/n surgery:

*Animal Rescue League of Boston's **Spay Waggin:** 877-590-7729*
Cats \$75, Dogs (under 50 lbs.) \$150

*Merrimack River Feline Rescue Society's **Cat Mobile:** 978-465-1940*
Neuter \$75, Spay \$100