## **Cat Rabies Vaccination & Licensing Requirements**

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### **Background**

Although California State Law does not require rabies vaccination of cats, it is highly recommended. A County of Los Angeles ordinance exists requiring rabies vaccination and licensing of cats. Certain cities uphold this ordinance, where cats must be vaccinated for rabies and licensed (based on owner address, not address of veterinary hospital or clinic). Information regarding licensing in certain cities can be obtained by calling local shelters or animal control services divisions. A summary of licensing and rabies vaccination cities is listed below:

# Cities of Los Angeles that <u>require</u> both cat rabies vaccination and cat licensing:

Artesia, Baldwin Park, Bell, Bradbury, Calabasas, Carson, Compton,
Cudahy, El Monte, El Segundo, Hawaiian Gardens, Hidden Hills, Industry, Inglewood, Irwindale, La
Habra Heights, La Cañada Flintridge, La Mirada, Lancaster, La Verne, Lawndale, Lomita, Long Beach,
Malibu, Maywood, Palmdale, Pomona, San Fernando, Sierra Madre, Walnut, West Hollywood, Westlake
Village, Whittier

\*Unincorporated Areas/Communities in LA County <u>require</u> both cat rabies vaccination and licensing

### Cities of Los Angeles that <u>require</u> cat rabies vaccination but <u>do NOT require</u> cat licensing:

Agoura Hills, Alhambra, Covina, Gardena, La Puente, Lynwood, Monterey Park, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills Estates, West Covina

Cities of Los Angeles that <u>do NOT require</u> cat rabies vaccination but <u>require</u> cat licensing: Diamond Bar, Santa Clarita

#### Cities of Los Angeles that do NOT require cat rabies vaccination or cat licensing:

Arcadia, Avalon, Azusa, Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Beverly Hills, Burbank, Cerritos, Claremont, Commerce, Culver City, Downey, Duarte, Glendale, Glendora, Hermosa Beach, Hawthorne, Huntington Park, Lakewood, Los Angeles (City of), Manhattan Beach, Monrovia, Montebello, Norwalk, Paramount, Pasadena, Pico Rivera, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Gabriel, San Marino, Santa Fe Springs, Santa Monica, Signal Hill, South El Monte, South Gate, South Pasadena, Temple City, Torrance, Vernon

Note: Information is based on review of city municipal codes in 2108. City laws are subject to change. Cat owners are encouraged to contact their city for the latest regulations.