

# **SMRAS Intake Step by Step Guide**

# **Before Impoundment:**

- 1) Identify the jurisdiction of where the animal was found (if stray) or where the owner lives (if owner surrender). The jurisdiction must be in Hays County.
- 2) Scan the animal for a microchip. If a microchip is detected, research the microchip information through the appropriate channels and make contact with the owner if possible. All attempts must be made to contact the owner and divert the intake prior to impounding the animal. Return the animal to the owner in lieu of impoundment when possible.

# **Impoundment Procedure:**

- Vaccinate and apply intake preventatives to the animal as soon as possible (refer to the vaccination and dosage information below). The animal must be vaccinated prior to entering the shelter facility.
- 2) Photograph the animal. Be sure to have a clear view of the animal's face, body and markings in the photograph(s). Do not photograph animals on catchpoles. In the case that the animal has an injury, try to photograph or crop the photograph of the animal in such as way as to minimize the graphic nature of the injury for the public.
- 3) Search the person associated with the animal to see if they are already in the database. If they are not already in the database, enter the person associated with the animal (if stray / ACO pick up, select No Person) into the database. The following person information MUST be recorded:
  - a. Full Name (First and Last)
  - b. Date of Birth
  - c. Address
  - d. Phone Number
  - e. Email Address
  - f. Driver License or ID / Issuer
- 4) Search the animal using ID and/or microchip information (if existing) to see if they are already in the database. If they are not already in the database, enter the animal into the database. The following information MUST be recorded:
  - a. Animal Name (if known)
  - b. Animal Species
  - c. Animal Breed
  - d. Animal Age and Age Group
  - e. Animal Gender
  - f. Altered Status (if unknown, select Unknown)
  - g. Animal Weight

- h. Animal Color and Color Pattern
- i. Intake photograph of animal must be uploaded
- j. Mircochip Number (if existing)
- k. ID Tag Number and Issuer (if existing)
- I. Document microchip scans under the Identification tab
- m. Document owner information, behavioral information or any other pertinent information in a General Animal Note memo in the database.
- n. Exact address found, including city (if stray)
- o. Reason for surrender (if owner surrender)
- p. Any intake forms (owner surrender or stray forms) must be uploaded under Files.
- q. Vaccinations and intake preventatives must be recorded under Care: Exam.
- r. Place the animal in to an appropriate cage/kennel and provide species specific food, bedding and clean water.
- s. Document the cage/kennel number that you placed the animal into in the database.
- t. After submitting the intake, print an Internal Kennel Card and affix it to the animal's cage/kennel.
- u. In the case of a multiple animal intake (animals originating from the same location), enter all animals as a Multi Animal Intake in the database, so that the shelter knows which animals are related to one another at intake.

## **Animal Vaccination and Intake Preventatives:**

In general, the following vaccines and preventatives will be given at the time of intake. Whenever possible, vaccinate the animal fifteen (15) minutes prior to the animal entering the building.

### DOGS:

# Modified Live DAPP Vaccine- administer in left hind leg, middle thigh

- Administer to all dogs and puppies, regardless of age
- Distemper, Adenovirus, Parvovirus, Parainfluenza

# Bordatella Vaccine- oral or intranasal vaccine

- All dogs and puppies over 8 weeks of age
- Kennel cough vaccine

**Flea/tick preventatives** – dosage and administration instructions will be provided by the Veterinary Team. Some age and weight restrictions may apply depending on product used.

**Pyrantel Pamoate** – oral dewormer, administered at dosage of 1ml per 10 pounds of body weight to all animals over two weeks of age

# **CATS/ KITTENS:**

# Feline RCP Vaccine – administer in left hind leg, upper thigh

- ONLY administer to kittens over 4 weeks of age and weighing 1 pound
- Rhinotracheitis, Calicivirus, Panleukopenia

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- \*\*\*Animals will be vaccinated at intake REGARDLESS of their health or pregnancy status
- \*\*\*All vaccines and preventatives given at intake will be properly documented in Petpoint as part of the intake process.

# **Kitten Aging Charts**

In general, on a normal, healthy kitten you should expect that:

- 1 month (4 weeks) will weight approximately 1 pound
- 2 months (8 weeks) will weigh approximately 2 pounds
- 3 months (12 weeks) will weigh approximately 3 pounds
- 4 months (16 weeks) will weigh approximately 4 pounds
- ...after 4 months, this method doesn't work as well because the growth spurts get a little more spread out, but it should help you ballpark the smaller kittens (along with looking at the teeth) to determine an accurate age. Please use this method as well as the teeth age charts to try and deduce as accurate an age as we can at intake.

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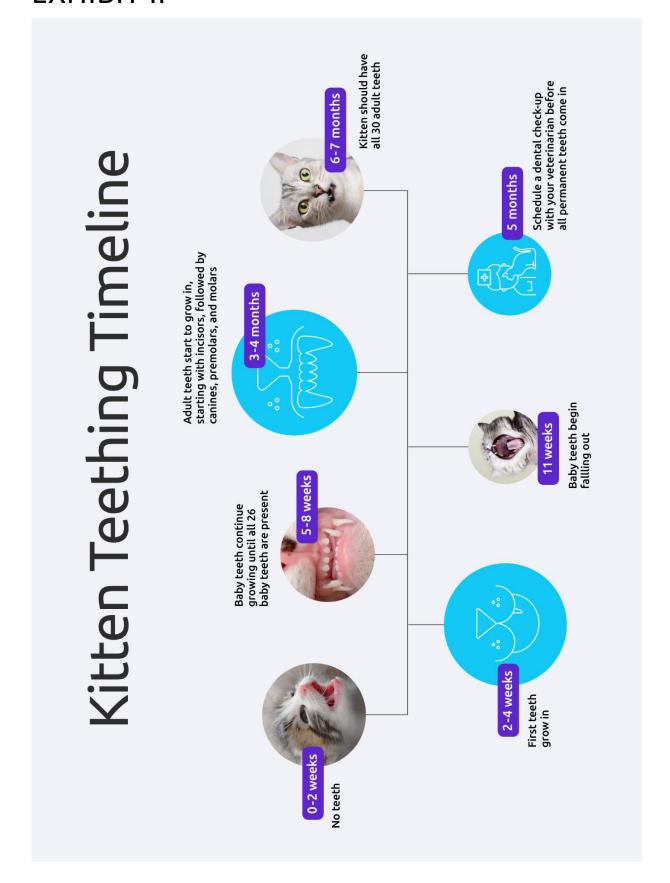
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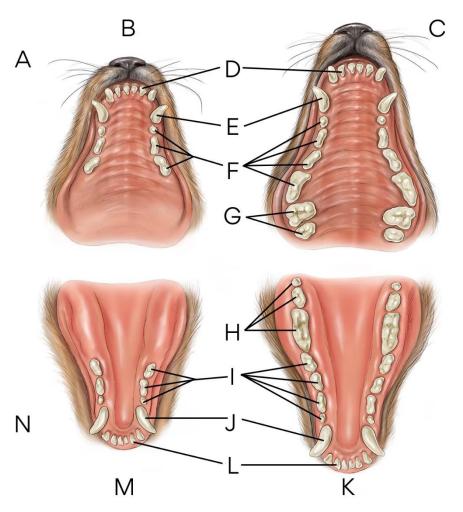
Get even more details (and cute pics!) with our week-by-week kitten progression resource at



# **Puppy Aging Charts**



# Puppy and Adult Dog Dental Anatomy



**A.** Upper jaw **B.** Puppy **C.** Adult dog **D.** Incisors **E.** Canine **F.** Premolars **G.** Molars **H.** Molars **I.** Premolars **J.** Canine **K.** 42 Teeth **L.** Incisors **M.** 28 Teeth **N.** Lower Jaw

# **Adult Dog Aging Charts (applies to cats too)**

