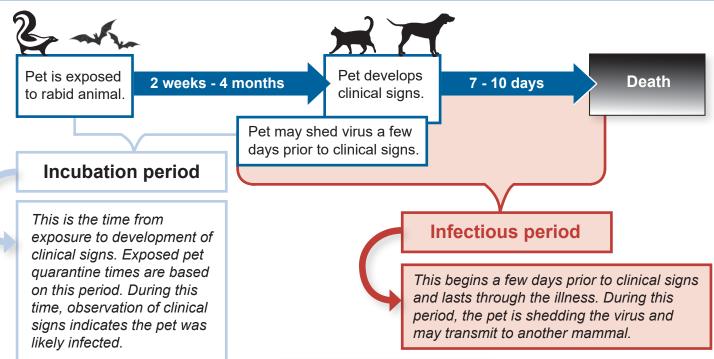
Rabies Timeline



For veterinary professionals



Quarantine times

When a pet is exposed or bitten.

If vaccinated, booster immediately and quarantine for 45 days.

Why? If the pet is infected with rabies, clinical signs will appear during this incubation period.

If unvaccinated, vaccinate immediately and quarantine for 4 months.

Why? If the pet was infected with rabies, clinical signs will appear during this incubation period.

When a pet bites another animal or human. 10-day quarantine

Why? If the pet was in an infectious period at the time of the bite, it will show clinical symptoms during this time. Studies have shown dogs, cats, and ferrets can shed the virus 4-5 days before displaying clinical signs.

FAQs

What is the difference between quarantine and isolation?

Quarantine separates and restricts the movement of people or animals who were exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick. *Isolation* separates sick people or animals with a contagious disease from those who are not sick.

Who can answer questions about my specific case?

The Arkansas Department of Health and your public health veterinarian, Dr. Laura Rothfeldt: Phone: (501) 280-4136; Email: Laura.Rothfeldt@Arkansas.gov

Where should I direct owners with human health concerns?

If exposed, let the owner know to thoroughly wash the wound with soap and running water, and to gather as much information about the animal as possible. Individuals should then be directed to speak with their physician.

More questions?

Consult the NASPHV Rabies Compendium: http://nasphv.org/Documents/NASPHVRabiesCompendium.pdf



Management of Animals Exposed to Rabies

Animal Vaccination Status	Animal Type	Recommendation			Updated?
Currently Vaccinated	Dog, Cat, Ferret, Horse, Cattle, Sheep	Booster (within 96 hours of exposure*)Observe 45 days		No	
Overdue for Vaccination	Dog, Cat	With appropriate documentation	 Booster (within 96 hours of exposure*) Observe <u>45</u> days 		Yes
		Without appropriate documentation	 Consult with ADH (required) prior to booster within 96 hours of exposure* Prospective Serological Monitoring Animal in quarantine until results available OR 	Proper anamnestic response: Observe <u>45</u> days	Yes
				Inadequate anamnestic response: <u>4-month</u> quarantine	
			Treat as never vaccinated	4-month quarantine	
	Ferret, Horse, Cattle, Sheep	With appropriate documentation	Case by case basis Consult with ADH		Yes
		Without appropriate documentation	EuthanizeOR6 month quarantine		No
Never Vaccinated	Dog, Cat	Euthanize OR Booster (within 96 hours of exposure*)			Yes
	Ferret, Horse, Cattle, Sheep	 4 month quarantine Euthanize OR 6 month quarantine 			No

^{*}If rabies booster vaccination is given >96 hours after exposure the quarantine may be extended to 4 or 6 months.

ADH Rabies Program: Animal bites/rabies risk assessment call line available 24/7 to the public, HCP's, DVM's, public health and law enforcement.

- 501-280-4136 (ADH Zoonotic Disease Section)
- 800-633-1735 (24/7 Emergency Call Center)