

CANINE QUESTIONNAIRE

PET NAME _____

LAST NAME _____

DATE _____

Please complete this questionnaire as it will help us help you decide what health procedures will best benefit you and your pet.

MICROCHIP

Does your pet have a microchip? Yes No
Would you be interested in having a microchip for your pet? *Circle n/a if your pet already has one.* Yes No Maybe N/A

Because accidents happen and your pet stands almost a 1 in 3 chance of getting lost, we very strongly recommend that ALL pets, even indoor pets, have a microchip. It can save their lives! For more information about microchips see the link on our website on the Forms & Info page or ask us during your visit.

DIET

Does your pet have any special nutritional needs? _____
What does your pet eat (brand and type)? _____
How do you feed your pet (how much and how often)? _____
What type of treats does your pet get, when do you give them and how much? _____
Does your pet get any other foods? What, when, and how much? _____
Do you consider your pet: Overweight? Normal weight? Underweight?

ENVIRONMENT

Does your pet go outside to urinate/defecate? Yes No
What percent time does your pet spend: Indoors _____? Outdoors _____?
Is your yard fenced-in? Yes No
When your pet is outside, where does it go (circle all that apply)?
Stays in yard loose Stays in yard on chain, rope, etc. Stays in kennel, pen, cage, etc. Leash walks Roams neighborhood Roams woods near the house Other: _____

INFECTIOUS DISEASE, VACCINATION, & RISK FACTORS

To keep from over-vaccinating your pet, we follow the recommendations of the American Animal Hospital Association. This means that instead of giving rabies, canine distemper virus and canine parvovirus vaccines on a yearly basis, they are given instead on a three-year rotating cycle. All other vaccines are given only on an as needed basis. We will help you decide how best to provide your pet with protection against infectious disease without giving too much.

Does your pet ever go to the groomer? Yes No
Does your pet ever go to a boarding facility? Yes No
Does your pet ever go to pet shows? Yes No
Does your pet ever go to obedience, agility, or other training classes with other pets? Yes No
Does your pet ever go to dog parks or other parks where he/she may interact with stranger's dogs? Yes No
Does your pet interact with pets other than your own in any other areas? Yes No

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then your pet needs to be vaccinated for Bordetella.

Does your pet ever go to Lake Lanier, Chattahoochee River, other creeks, lakes, ponds, swamps, etc.? Yes No
Do you take your pet hunting or hiking in woodland areas? Yes No
Does your pet herd livestock, take part in field trials, or spend time on farms or in pastures? Yes No
Do you have frequent wildlife, such as raccoons, deer, foxes, etc., to your yard? (Squirrels don't count). Yes No

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then your pet needs to be vaccinated for Leptospirosis.

Would you rate your pet's risk of exposure to ticks as: None? Low? Med.? High?
Does your dog frequently go places where ticks may be expected to be prevalent, such as hunting? Yes No
Does your pet spend time in New England/Atlantic coastal states from Virginia to Maine? Yes No
Does your pet spend time in Minnesota, Wisconsin, east Iowa, or northern Illinois? Yes No

If you answered yes or high to any of these questions, then your pet needs to be vaccinated for Lyme Disease/Borrelia.

HEARTWORM PREVENTION

Does your pet get a heartworm/intestinal parasite preventive medication monthly? Yes No
Have any doses been missed? Yes No
Which heartworm/intestinal parasite preventive medication do you give? _____
When was the last time you gave it? _____

If your pet spends a lot of time outdoors, has had doses of medication missed, or if heartworm/intestinal parasite medications are not given all year long, then your pet needs a heartworm test annually. If your pet gets heartworm prevention all year long, spends most of his/her time indoors, and has not missed any doses of medication, then your pet needs a heartworm test every two years.

FLEA & TICK PREVENTION

Does your pet get a flea/tick preventive medication monthly? Yes No
Have any doses been missed? Yes No
Which flea/tick medication do you give? _____
When was the last time you gave it? _____
Would you rate your pet's risk of exposure to fleas as: None? Low? Med.? High?
Have you found fleas on your pet or in the house in the last year? Yes No
Would you rate your pet's risk of exposure to ticks as: None? Low? Med.? High?
Have you found ticks on your pet or in the house in the last year? Yes No

If you have found any ticks on your pet in the last year, then your pet needs a tick-borne disease screen with the heartworm test. Flea-and-tick medications should be used whether you are seeing fleas or not; if you wait until you see fleas, you have waited far too long. Prevention is much less expensive and much less complicated than waiting for the problem to start before intervening.

INTESTINAL PARASITES

Does your pet interact with any other species of animals (please list)? _____ Yes No
(Excluding other dogs, cats, and humans)

Because many parasites of animals are infectious to humans, all pets, even completely indoor pets, should be tested for intestinal parasites at least once yearly, more often if needed. Similarly, all pets should be on a regular deworming schedule for intestinal parasites which can easily be accomplished with the better heartworm preventive medications.

LABORATORY HEALTH PROFILES

How long has it been since your pet had a Complete Blood Count (CBC) & Chemistry Profile? _____
Was it normal? Yes No N/A

Because external physical examination does not show us everything going on inside your pet, because your pet can't tell us how they feel, and because symptoms of disease are not always readily apparent, especially in the early stages, your pet needs regular blood work checkups in addition to the physical examination—just like your own medical doctor recommends for you as part of your own regular physical examination. The following is the profile recommended for each age group.

Small To Medium Breeds (<60 pounds)			Large To Giant Breeds (>60 pounds)		
Junior profile	3 to 8 years	Every 2 years	Junior profile	3 to 7 years	Every 2 years
Junior profile	8 to 10 years	Every year	Junior profile	7 to 8 years	Every year
Senior profile	>10 years	Every year	Senior profile	>8 years	Every year
Senior profile	>14 years	Every 6 months	Senior profile	>12 years	Every 6 months

These are the basic health care procedures your pet needs regularly to help stay healthy. Everything included here is important. While you may choose to either accept or not to accept our recommendations, please understand that we consider none of these recommendations "optional." Remember, our policy at Friendship Springs Veterinary Care is to recommend *only* those things that we believe your pet needs and to recommend *no more* than we believe your pet needs. If you have any questions about the above recommendations, please let us know and we will be happy to discuss them with you. Signing below does not indicate acceptance or non-acceptance of these recommendations; it merely indicates that you have completed this questionnaire to the best of your knowledge.

Signature _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____