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| Alabama  | Code of Ala. §3-7A-2  
Ala. Admin. Code r. 420-4-4-.08 | Rabies officer, his/her authorized representative, or any duly licensed veterinarian          | With consent of owner, a veterinarian with valid VCPR may exempt an animal if deemed medically necessary | Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 3 months of age, and subsequently in accordance with the label of the vaccine used. |
| Alaska   | 7 AAC 27.022                                                             | By, or under the direct supervision of, a licensed veterinarian; lay vaccinators qualified to administer the vaccine and approved by the Department | Not specified                                                                        | Dogs, cats, and ferrets in accordance with the Compendium of Animal Rabies Prevention and Control. |
| Arizona  | A.A.C. § R3-2-409                                                        | By, or under the direct supervision of, a veterinarian, in accordance with the Compendium*        | Not specified                                                                        | All animals must be vaccinated in accordance with the Compendium*                           |
| Arkansas | A.C.A. § 20-19-305  
Ark. Admin. Code 007.15.1-I  
Ark. Admin. Code 007.15.1-II | Licensed veterinarian or agent of the Department of Health                                     | Not specified                                                                        | Dogs, cats, and any warm-blooded animal which may be affected by rabies                    |
|          |                                                                         |                                                                                                 |                                                                                      | Initial vaccination for dogs and cats at 4 months of age and older.                        |
|          |                                                                         |                                                                                                 |                                                                                      | Revaccinations during the 12th month after initial vaccination. Thereafter, the interval between revaccinations should conform to the Compendium* |
| California | California Health & Safety Code § 121690  
17 CCR § 2606.4          | Licensed veterinarians                                                                           | An exemption may apply if a licensed veterinarian determines, on an annual basis, that a rabies vaccination would endanger the dog’s life due to disease or other considerations that the veterinarian can verify and document | Dogs must be vaccinated at 3 months of age and revaccinated one year after the primary immunization with an approved type of rabies vaccine.  
Dogs shall be revaccinated thereafter at least once every three years with an approved type of rabies vaccine. |
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<td>Colorado</td>
<td>C.R.S.A. § 30-15-101</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>A veterinarian, with owner consent, may exempt an animal from a rabies vaccination if the rabies inoculation is contraindicated due to the animal’s medical condition</td>
<td>Dogs, cats and ferrets in accordance with the Compendium*</td>
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<td>Connecticut</td>
<td>Conn. Gen. Stat. § 22-339b</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>When a licensed veterinarian has examined the animal and determined that a rabies vaccination would endanger the animal’s life due to disease or other medical considerations</td>
<td>Dogs and cats at 3 months of age or older. Animals vaccinated prior to one year of age must receive a booster vaccination one year after the initial vaccination. Animals shall then be vaccinated every 3 years thereafter.</td>
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<td>Delaware</td>
<td>3 Del. C. § 8204</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>When a licensed veterinarian has examined the animal and based on the veterinarian’s professional judgment, has certified in writing that at the time, vaccination would endanger the animal’s health because of its infirmity, disability, illness, or other medical considerations and a titer test.</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 6 months of age, and subsequently according to the label on the vaccine used.</td>
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<td>District of Columbia</td>
<td>D.C. Code § 8-1803</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs at 3 months of age. Cats at 4 months of age. A dog or cat must be re-vaccinated at least every three years after receiving the second rabies shot.</td>
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<td>24 DCMR § 901</td>
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<td>Florida</td>
<td>West’s F.S.A. § 828.30</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>A dog, cat, or ferret is exempt from vaccination against rabies if a licensed</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 4 months of age, with a booster shot 12 months later.</td>
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Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. 40-13-2-.19 | Licensed veterinarians | Not specified | Thereafter, the intervals between vaccinations must comply with the label of the vaccine used. |
| Hawaii | Haw. Admin. Rules (HAR) § 4-29-8 | Not specified | Not specified | It is up to county boards of health to promulgate rules regarding rabies vaccinations. |
| Idaho | I.C. § 25-2801  
I.C. § 25-2803  
Idaho Admin. Code r. 02.04.21.500 | Under the direct supervision of a veterinarian according to Idaho Rabies Control Protocol and subject to county license requirements | Not specified | Dogs, cats, and ferrets older than 3 months, with booster one year later and then according to the Compendium* |

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<td>Illinois</td>
<td>510 ILCS 5/8 8 Ill. Adm. Code 30.90</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>An animal is exempt from vaccination requirements if a licensed veterinarian determines in writing that a rabies inoculation would compromise the animal's health</td>
<td>Dogs and cats at 4 months with a booster shot 12 months later. Subsequent vaccine administration and duration of immunity must be in compliance with USDA licenses of vaccines used.</td>
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<td>Indiana</td>
<td>345 IAC 1-5-1 345 IAC 1-5-2</td>
<td>Licensed and accredited veterinarians</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 3 months of age. Ferrets must be revaccinated annually; dogs and cats must be revaccinated according to vaccine label.</td>
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<td>Iowa</td>
<td>I.C.A. §351.33 I.C.A. §351.35 Iowa Admin. Code 21-64.25</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
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<td>Dogs at 6 months of age. Revaccination according to the Compendium*</td>
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<td>Kansas</td>
<td>K.S.A. 21-1213 K.A.R. 9-7-9 K.A.R. 9-7-9a K.A.R. 9-18-5</td>
<td>Accredited and/or licensed veterinarians as well as those acting under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>For dogs and cats imported into the state, they must be accompanied by a certificate of health or veterinary inspection that such dogs and cats at 3 months have been vaccinated against rabies with a product licensed by the U.S.D.A.</td>
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<td>Kentucky</td>
<td>KRS §258.015 902 KAR 2:070</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 4 months and revaccinated 1 year after the initial vaccination. Thereafter, dependent upon the type of vaccine administered as certified by the veterinarian.</td>
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<td>Louisiana</td>
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<td>Revaccination one year later and subsequently in accordance with the Compendium*</td>
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<td>Maine</td>
<td>7 M.R.S.A. §3916 10-144 CMR Ch. 260</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarian or under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Dogs and cats may be exempt from vaccination requirements if a medical reason exists and an owner has a written statement signed by a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Cats at 3 months. Cats must be revaccinated one year after the initial vaccination and then according to the type of vaccine used.</td>
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<td>Dogs at 6 months, including wolf-hybrids. Dogs must be revaccinated according to the type of vaccine used.</td>
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<td>Maryland</td>
<td>MD Code, Health - General, § 18-318 MD Code, Health - General, § 18-319 COMAR 10.06.02.10</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs, cat, or ferret that is 4 months old or older shall have the dog, cat, or ferret vaccinated adequately against rabies. They must be revaccinated according to the label on the vaccine used.</td>
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<td>330 CMR 10.02 M.G.L.A. 140 § 145B</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
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<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 6 months. Revaccination between 9 and 12 months from the initial vaccination and subsequently according to the vaccine used.</td>
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<td>M.C.L.A. § 287.892 M.C.L.A. § 287.266</td>
<td>Licensed and/or accredited veterinarians</td>
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<td>First vaccination for dogs by 4 months of age. Ferrets at 12 weeks of age</td>
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<td>Minnesota</td>
<td>Minnesota Rules, part 1721.0540 Minnesota Rules, part 1721.0550</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians, or under the supervision of a veterinarian</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dog, cats, and ferrets must be vaccinated in accordance with the Compendium*</td>
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<td>Mississippi</td>
<td>Miss. Code Ann. § 41-53-1 Miss. Code Ann. § 41-53-5</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians or other competent person granted a permit to</td>
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<td>Dogs and cats at 3 months and thereafter as required, revaccinated one year later and every three years thereafter, using a rabies</td>
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<td>Mont. Admin. R. 32.3.213</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs and cats entering the state must be vaccinated by 3 months in accordance with the Compendium*</td>
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<td>Nebraska</td>
<td>Neb. Rev. St. § 71-4401, Neb. Rev. St. § 71-4402, Neb. Admin. R. &amp; Regs. Tit. 173, Ch. 5, § 002</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>All dogs and cats must be vaccinated at 3 months of age with a booster shot one year later and then revaccinated every three years.</td>
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<td>NAC 441A.440, NAC 441A.435</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>A licensed veterinarian may exempt a dog, cat or ferret from vaccination for health reasons</td>
<td>Dogs and cats every 3 years. Ferrets annually</td>
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<td>New Hampshire</td>
<td>N.H. Rev. Stat. § 436.99, N.H. Rev. Stat. § 436:100, N.H. Code Admin. R. Agr 2112.02</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>A rabies immunization exemption may be issued, where illness or a veterinary medical condition warrants, by the local rabies control authority upon the written recommendation of a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 3 months of age, with a booster shot between 9 and 12 months after the initial vaccination. Subsequent boosters as outlined in the Compendium*</td>
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<td>N.J.S.A. § 4:19-15.2a</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians</td>
<td>Municipal dog licensing officials shall grant an exemption for any dog that a veterinarian certifies in writing to be incapable of being inoculated because of infirmity, other physical condition, or regimen of therapy</td>
<td>Dogs and cats 3 months of age or older receiving their first known immunization have a 1-year duration of immunity. Animals between 3 and 6 months of age receiving a second or subsequent booster have a 1-year duration of immunity. Animals 6 months or older receiving 2nd booster: 1- or 3-years’ immunity, depending on the vaccine used.</td>
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<td>N. M. S. A. 1978, § 77-1-3</td>
<td>By or under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
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<td>Dogs and cats over 3 months and booster within 1 year of first vaccination. Anually or triennially thereafter depending upon vaccine used.</td>
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<td>New York</td>
<td>McKinney’s Public Health Law § 2141</td>
<td>By or under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Vaccination requirements do not apply to dogs, cats and ferrets for which vaccination against rabies would adversely affect the animal's health, as determined by a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 4 months of age with a second vaccination within one year of the first. Subsequent vaccination in accordance with the vaccine used.</td>
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<td>McKinney’s Public Health Law § 2146**</td>
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<td>North Carolina</td>
<td>N.C.G.S.A. § 130A-185</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarian, a a registered veterinary technician under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian, or a certified rabies vaccinator</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 4 months of age. Revaccination for dogs and cats one year later and then annually or triennially, depending on vaccine used. A dog or cat vaccinated by a certified rabies vaccinator shall be re-vaccinated annually.</td>
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<td>NDCC, 23-36-01 N.D. Admin. Code 48.1-13-01-01</td>
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<td>NDCC 23-36 sets a policy for local control. Any dog, cat, or ferret imported into the state for a period of over thirty days must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection.</td>
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<td>Oklahoma</td>
<td>63 Okl. St. Ann. § 1-508 Okla. Admin. Code 310:599-3-9.1</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarian or a registered veterinary technician under the general supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets at 4 months and at regular intervals thereafter according to the vaccine used.</td>
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<td>Oregon</td>
<td>O.R.S. §433.365 OAR 333-019-0017</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarian; veterinary technician under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian In the case of a need to vaccinate and the lack of an available veterinarian, by another person approved for this purpose by the State Public Health Veterinarian.</td>
<td>Exemptions provided: 1. For dogs brought temporarily into the state for periods of less than 30 days and kept under strict supervision by their owners; 2. Dogs for which rabies immunization is contraindicated for health reasons, as determined by a licensed veterinarian; and 3. Dogs owned by dealers, breeders, or exhibitors exclusively for sale or exhibition purposes and confined to kennels except for transportation to and from the premises.</td>
<td>Dogs at least 3 months old shall be immunized against rabies by the age of 6 months in accordance with the Compendium*</td>
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<td>Pennsylvania</td>
<td>3 P.S. §455.4 3 P.S. § 455.8 7 Pa. Code § 16.41 7 Pa. Code § 16.42 7 Pa. Code § 16.43</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarian, or under direct veterinary supervision; Owners of commercial kennels, dealer kennels, nonprofit kennels, private kennels and research kennels who have been examined and certified by the department may administer rabies vaccines to animals in the possession of the kennel</td>
<td>An exemption may be granted for up to one year if a licensed veterinarian examines the dog or cat and determines that it would be medically contraindicated to vaccinate. After one year, the dog or cat must be reexamined.</td>
<td>For dogs and cats, within 4 weeks of the animal reaching 3 months of age. Unless otherwise indicated by the directions of the vaccine manufacturer, a booster vaccination shall be administered between 12 and 14 months from the date of the initial vaccination, regardless of the age of the animal at initial vaccination. The animal shall then be subsequently revaccinated on an ongoing basis in accordance with the directions of the vaccine manufacturer.</td>
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<td>Rhode Island</td>
<td>Gen. Laws 1956, § 4-13-31 R.I. Admin. Code 25-3-6:2.00 250-RICR- 40-05-2.6 250-RICR- 40-05-2.7</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians, or under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs, cats, and ferrets between 3 and 4 months of age with a one-year booster shot. Subsequent vaccinations in accordance with the Compendium*</td>
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<td>South Carolina</td>
<td>Code 1976 § 47-5-60</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians, or under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
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<td>At a frequency to provide continuous protection of the pet from rabies using a vaccine approved by the South Carolina Dept. of Health &amp; Environmental Control and licensed by the USDA.</td>
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<td>ARSD 12:68:06:09</td>
<td>Accredited veterinarian</td>
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<td>Dogs and cats by 3 months</td>
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<td>Licensed veterinarians or under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs by 3 months and cats by 6 months of age with a booster at one year. Subsequent vaccinations in 1- or 3-year intervals in accordance with the specific vaccine used.</td>
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<td>Texas</td>
<td>V.T.C.A., Health &amp; Safety Code § 826.018&lt;br&gt;V.T.C.A., Health &amp; Safety Code § 826.021&lt;br&gt;V.T.C.A., Health &amp; Safety Code § 826.023&lt;br&gt;22 TAC §573.10</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians, or non-veterinarians only under the direct supervision of a veterinarian, and only after the veterinarian has properly established a veterinarian-client-patient relationship</td>
<td>Not specified</td>
<td>Dogs and cats at 4 months of age. The veterinarian has discretion on subsequent vaccinations as long as the due date does not exceed recommended intervals for booster vaccination as established by manufacturers or any local ordinance requirements.</td>
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<td>Utah</td>
<td>Admin. Code r. R58-1-13</td>
<td>Animal shelter employees acting under the indirect supervision of a veterinarian who is under contract with the animal shelter</td>
<td>All dogs, cats and ferrets over three months of age must be currently vaccinated against rabies before entering Utah.</td>
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<td>Vermont</td>
<td>20 V.S.A. § 3581 Vt. Admin. Code 2-4-307</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians, or under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian</td>
<td>An animal may be exempt from vaccination requirements if, in the judgment of the veterinarian, the animal's medical condition would prevent the development of adequate immunity to rabies. Animals so exempted must be inoculated against rabies as soon as their medical condition permits.</td>
<td>Before obtaining a license for a dog or wolf-hybrid six months of age or older, a person shall deliver to the municipal clerk a certificate or a certified copy thereof issued by a duly licensed veterinarian, stating that the dog or wolf-hybrid has received a current preexposure rabies vaccination. Dogs, cats, wolf/hybrids, and ferrets prior to 4 months. Thereafter, in accord with manufacturer’s recommendations.</td>
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<td>Virginia</td>
<td>VA Code Ann. § 3.2-6521 VA Code Ann. § 3.2-6523 12 VAC 5-105-10 12 VAC 5-105-30</td>
<td>Licensed veterinarians, or a veterinary technician under the immediate and direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian. A certified animal technician at such shelter if the certified animal technician is under the immediate and direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian.</td>
<td>The local health director, in consultation with the state public-health veterinarian, may grant an exemption if vaccination would likely endanger the animal's life due to a previously diagnosed disease or documented medical considerations, as documented by a licensed veterinarian.</td>
<td>Initial vaccination for dogs and cats: 4 months of age and older. Then subject to local ordinance.</td>
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| Washington | WAC § 246-935-050  
WAC 246-100-197 | Licensed veterinarian  
Veterinary technician under indirect supervision  
Unregistered assistants under direct supervision of a veterinarian or licensed veterinary technician. | Not specified | Owners of dogs, cats, and ferrets must have the animal vaccinated against rabies and revaccinated following veterinary and vaccine-manufacturer instructions. |
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| West Virginia | W. Va. Code, § 19-20A-2 | Licensed veterinarian or his or her assistant.  
If there is no licensed veterinarian practicing in the county, a qualified person may be appointed by the county health department to administer vaccinations | Not specified | Dogs and cats by 6 months, with a booster shot after one year.  
Subsequent vaccinations every 3 years. |
| Wisconsin | W.S.A. 95.21 | Licensed veterinarian; or  
Veterinary technician if a veterinarian is physically present at the location the vaccine is administered | A city, village, or town may exempt the owner of a dog from the requirement to have the dog vaccinated against rabies for a year based on a letter from a veterinarian stating that vaccination is inadvisable because of a reaction to a previous vaccination, a physical condition, or a regimen of therapy that the dog is undergoing | Dogs at 5 months of age with a one-year booster vaccination and then triennially thereafter. |
| Wyoming | W.S. 1977 § 11-31-212 | Licensed veterinarian | Not specified | Dog or cat by 3 months of age. |
W.S. 1977 § 11-31-213

Notes: *Compendium of Animal Rabies Prevention and Control  
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