

Kitten Flea and Tick Treatments

Why should we treat kittens against fleas and ticks?

Fleas and ticks are little blood-sucking insects that live in the coat of your kitten (and often on cats too!). Severe infestations can be dangerous for your kitten when so much blood is sucked out by the parasites that not enough is left for your kitten!

Flea bites commonly cause kittens to scratch which can lead to skin infections and perpetual irritation, when your kitten should really be playing and exploring.

Ticks can carry diseases harmful to your puppy's health and your own. Most notably Lyme disease, which can be fatal to humans as well as dogs.

If your kitten isn't scratching, could they still have fleas or ticks?

Yes! Ticks especially don't always cause kittens to scratch and not every cat scratches when they have fleas and ticks.

When should we start treating kittens for fleas and ticks?

Depending on their weight, kittens can be treated from 8 weeks of age to prevent them getting fleas.



What should we treat kittens with to prevent them getting fleas and ticks?

There are a wide range of products available to prevent fleas and ticks getting on to your kitten. Unfortunately, many of the products available from pet shops aren't reliable or effective. At Ryedale Vets we regularly review the products we advise for flea and tick prevention so you know your kitten will always have the best cover against these parasites. These products can usually only be prescribed by a vet.