

## **MYVETPOST**

**Discount Scheme** 



PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE

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MyVetPost is our PREVENTATIVE health DISCOUNT scheme, designed to spread the cost of necessary preventative health treatment required to ensure your pets are kept in the best possible health, alongside benefiting key savings on certain treatments provided by The Forest Vet Maresfield. This booklet explains all aspects of our healthy pet club discount scheme and the benefits for all modern treatments used.

## **MYVETPOST VS INSURANCE COVER**

MyVetPost is our internal preventative health care plan designed to spread the cost of preventative health treatment. Insurance cover is taken out byclients, using the company of their choice, as an external plan to cover the associated costs when possible injury/illness occurs. MyVetPostpreventative health aims to prevent the use of insurance cover, however it is very important to be actively insured should circumstances arise where hospitalisation or surgery is required. We recommend carefully reading individual policies and seeking a life time policy and over £12,000 per condition for the best security for your pet should a large Veterinary invoice arise.

## **MONTHLY COSTS**

CAT PLAN £18.50

SMALL DOG PLAN £21.00 (0kg - 10kg)

MEDIUM DOG PLAN £ 23.50 (10.1 kg - 20 kg)

LARGE DOG PLAN £26.50 (20.1kg – 40kg)

GIANT DOG PLAN £32.50 (>40.1kg)

## **DOG PLANS**

Annual Vaccination and Health Check - COMPLIMENTARY REMINDER
Kennel Cough Vaccination (Tracheobronchitis) - complimentary reminder
Flea, Tick and Mite Treatment DELIVERED monthly ON THE DAY
THEY'RE DUE

Tapeworming treatment (collected from Practice every six months) -

**COMPLIMENTARY REMINDER** 

Annual Blood Test – same day results

One Free Annual Claw Clip (Nurse Appointment)

One Free Annual Anal Gland Expression (Nurse Appointment)

10% **discount** on consultations

10% discount on dental surgeries

10% **discount** on food purchased from the Practice 10% **discount** on select long term medications

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Annual Vaccination and Health Check – **COMPLIMENTARY REMINDER**Flea, Tick and Mite treatment **DELIVERED** monthly **ON THE DAY THEY'RE DUE** 

Tapeworming treatment **DELIVERED** quarterly **WHEN DUE** 

Annual Blood Test – same day results

**Annual Blood Pressure** 

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## **ANNUAL VACCINATION AND HEALTH CHECK**

Vaccinating our pets is a very important aspect for their preventative health. RCVS guidelines state that patients must have an annual health check by a Veterinary Surgeon to allow for prescription medications to be dispensed. Vaccinations may only be administered to healthy patients so at the annual vaccination appointment, a thorough head to tail health check will take place on your pet. Eyes and ears will be checked, their mouth will be assessed for dental disease. Their heart and abdomen will be checked for any abnormalities. When the Veterinary Surgeon is happy your pet is of good health, the annual vaccination may be administered. An annual health check is really important to monitor your pets health, remembering that every year for them is equivalent to seven human years! 1:7

### **VACCINATIONS**

Vaccinations have been carefully devised to reduce severe viral infectionsand prevent viral clinical signs occurring in our pets. Here, at The Forest Vet Maresfield, we use Versican DHPPI/L4 as our first line vaccination for canines. This is a modern vaccine covering distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus, parainfluenza and four strains of leptospirosis. If contracted, all viruses can lead to death, so it is very important to maintain immunisation in pets. Following research development and identification of different strains within the United Kingdom, the leptospirosis aspect now covers for four strains of bacterial infection. Puppies are required to complete a course of two consecutive vaccinations, three to four weeks apart Kittens can be vaccinated from 8weeks of age for cat flu and FeLV, however recent recommendations are 12weeks of age and a second vaccination 3 weeks later.

## KENNEL COUGH VACCINATION (INFECTIOUS TRACHEOBRONCHITIS)

'Kennel Cough' is a very unhelpful historical name for infectious tracheobronchitis. This is a very contagious upper respiratory tract infection, caused by a combination of both viral and bacterial agents. It is a common tho ught that 'kennel cough' is only present in kennels and therefore dogs only attending 'kenneling' require the vaccination. Reality is, that your dog is more likely to contract 'kennel cough' from being within the same air space as an unknown contagious dog within the local park. Our 'kennel cough' vaccination (dogs only) is Versican BB Oral, the only oral version currently on the market. This easier oral administration method reduces stress of patients and increases uptake of the vaccination, reducing the p robability of infectious cells airborne within the local area, due to a higher percentage of vaccinated pets.

## FLEA, TICK AND MITE TREATMENT ENDOPARASITES AND ECTOPARASITES

Our first line flea, tick and mite parasite treatment for dogs is Simparica Trio, the latest cutting edge treatment available with a lungworm cover guarantee. Simparica trio covers for fleas, ticks, mites and all intestinal worms except ta peworm. Lungworm, spread by snails and slugs, has a monthly cycle meaning the palatable tablet is administered monthly to our patients (most take it as a treat at dinner time!) It has a quick speed of kill for all preventions. If ticks latch onto a patient, they will fall off within a very short 48hour duration! Flea onset of efficacy is 12 24hours however if a patient has fleas, onset is within 8hours of tablet administration. Simparica trio is posted and delivered, directly from the wholesaler, convenient ly arriving once per month on the day administration is necessary for their pet. No need for monthly reminders! Cats are prescribed Stronghold Plus which is in a liquid form and administration is via a pipette on the back of the neck once every month. Onset of efficacy for fleas, ticks and mites is within 24 hours.





## **TAPEWORMING TREATMENT**

Droncit, is the tapeworming treatment in tablet form, which is used alongside simparica trio for our canine pets. It is only necessary to administer this once every six months and will be given to you at your vaccine appointment.

## ANNUAL BLOOD TEST EARLY DIAGNOSIS, ENCOURAGES BETTER PROGNOSIS

At The Forest Vet, we have the ability to test various blood samples within the Practice, leading to results on the same day. The annual blood test is a key element to our preventative health discount scheme. We recommend annual screening of patients of all ages to detect any early changes that may indicate a health concern. Blood tests are booked with one of our Nurses, at a separate booking to the annual vaccination. It can be booked at anytime during the year. It may also be used in any age patients prior to under going an anaesthetic (if not used during the year previously), to assess liver and kidney parameters where the drugs are metabolised. Olderpatients on long term medications are required to have a blood test at everysix months, so one free blood test is an annual bonus!

## ONE FREE BLOOD PRESSURE ANNUALLY (CATS ONLY)

Hypertension (high bloodpressure) is a common condition in cats, particularly those over the age of 7 years. Statistics estimate 1 in 5 cats overthe age of 9years of age are at risk. Hypertension can be either primary or secondary (to another condition). Secondary hypertension is most common and approximately is the result of 80% of hypertensive patients. Hypertension is a common secondary condition to hyperthyroidism and chronic kidney disease which are conditions that may be diagnosed following the annual blood test.

# ONE FREE ANAL GLAND EXPRESSION ANNUALLY (DOGS ONLY)

Anal gland expressions is a very common nurse appointment undertaken. Smaller breeds are generally pre-disposed to anal gland issues, however, all breeds can be. These breeds include chihuahuas, toy and min iature poodles, cocker spaniels, lhasa apsos, basset hounds and beagles. One free booking for this appointment helps at these challenging cost of living times. At the anal gland expression appointment, the nurse will be able to discuss possible diet change s, to help natural gland expressions.

### **ONE FREE CLAW CLIP - ANNUALLY**

Claw clips are most common in smaller breeds and older patients, both dogs and cats. A free claw clip annually may be used as a nurse appointment or when a patient is in for a surgery u nder anaesthetic. It is important to keep claws short to prevent damage, particularly of the dew claws, but also to ensure the quick is being kept short. If claws get overly long, we are then unable to reduce the claw length by a considerable amount due to the quick fulfilling majority of the claw length.

## **10% DISCOUNTS**

It is always nice to get some discount so we are very pleased to offer discount for patients on the MyVetPost Scheme provides. You will also be entitled to 10% discount from consultations, dental treatment, food purchased from the Practice and select long term medications!

## **CONSULTATIONS**

10% discount off of consultations is a great saving method when active on the MyVetPost discount scheme. This benefit means owners save over a considerable £5.00 on consultation bookings! With the increasing cost of living, spreading the cost of preventative health for your pet and a discount scheme providing savings on those important health checks when a runny eye, upset stomach or bad ears develops is a relief for concerned owners. At The Forest Vet, we understand a thorough pre-discussion, examination and explanation is important to clients so a 15 minute time slot is always booked. Our consultation prices therefore reflect the time taken for the booking many Practices only book for a 5 or 10 minute duration.

## **LONG TERM MEDICATIONS**

If your pet is placed on a longterm medication, for example anti-allergy or osteoarthritis medication, we understand that these repeat medication costs soon add up. We therefore are pleased to offer 10% discount on each purchase of a longterm medication from our Practice. Both younger and older patients may require a longterm medication prescription.



### **DENTAL PROCEDURES**

Gold standard dental care for our pets is daily tooth brushing, however, unfortunately it is very common for pets to still require (one or more) thorough oral assessment, and descale and polish procedures under general anaesthetic during their life span. Smaller breeds generally require these dental procedures in younger ages than those larger breeds. Our **MyVetPost** preventative health discount scheme provides a 10% discount on the descale and polish aspect when your pet requires a dental procedure. Your pets teeth will be examined at their annual health check and the Veterinary Surgeon will suggest when a dental procedure should be booked

### FOOD PURCHASED FROM THE PRACTICE

Diet is a key element to our pets health and we are pleased to offer Virbac Veterinary Food at The Forest Vet Maresfield. This food may only be purchased through Veterinary Practices and holds very good values with the high protein, low ash content. The high quality, low quantity aspect means food bag sizes and cost reflect similarly to those brands purchasable from Pet shops. Virbac is a kibble diet, with many ranges from small breeds, large breeds, neutered to entire as well as prescription diet for those pets needing extra kidney support, joint support or assistance with weight loss.. Discount from these foods and a loyalty card giving every sixth bag free of charge allows for significant savings!

## **HOW TO SIGN UP**

Signing your pet up to the MyVetPost discount preventative health plan couldn't be easier. We can either sign you up over the telephone however it is even easier while in Practice using a modern technique of scanning the QR code using your smartphone. If you would like to pop into Practice to sign up, please call ahead so we can ensure there is a team memberavailable to talk you through the process (approximately 10 minutes). Please do let us know the date of preference for the payment each month, and your pets medication will arrive in the post 3 5working days after payment. The maximum length of time your pets plan can be prescribed for is 12months. Therefore, it will be active until their annual vaccination and health check is due. At the time of the annual vaccination when the health check is undertaken, the Veterinary Surgeon will check and replace your pets prescription for the following 12months. You will need to bring along the card you would like to set the payments up from. You are entitled to all aspects of the MyVetPost from signing up until the annual vaccination. There-after the subscription if from the date of annual vaccination. There is an administration fee for the signing up process of £6.00



## **Terms and Conditions**

Policy year is annual vaccination to annual vaccination.

If cancelled, calculation of preventative health item use against successful payment amounts will be calculated.

You will be contacted should a shortfall need settling

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact our team on 01825 766006 or reception@theforestvet.co.uk





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