

# Cat Rabies Vaccination & Licensing Requirements

## BACKGROUND

Although California State Law does not require rabies vaccination of cats, it is highly recommended. A County of Los Angeles ordinance exists requiring rabies vaccination and licensing of cats. Certain cities uphold this ordinance, where cats must be vaccinated for rabies and licensed (based on owner address, not address of the veterinary hospital or clinic). Information regarding licensing in certain cities can be obtained by calling local shelters or animal control services divisions. A summary of requirements for licensing and rabies vaccination by city is listed below:



### **Cities of LA County that REQUIRE BOTH cat rabies vaccination and cat licensing:**

<i>Artesia</i>	<i>Cudahy</i>	<i>Irwindale</i>	<i>Lomita</i>	<i>Sierra Madre</i>
<i>Baldwin Park</i>	<i>El Monte</i>	<i>La Habra Heights</i>	<i>Long Beach</i>	<i>Walnut</i>
<i>Bell</i>	<i>El Segundo</i>	<i>La Cañada Flintridge</i>	<i>Malibu</i>	<i>West Hollywood</i>
<i>Bradbury</i>	<i>Hawaiian Gardens</i>	<i>La Mirada</i>	<i>Maywood</i>	<i>Westlake Village</i>
<i>Calabasas</i>	<i>Hidden Hills</i>	<i>Lancaster</i>	<i>Palmdale</i>	<i>Whittier</i>
<i>Carson</i>	<i>Industry</i>	<i>La Verne</i>	<i>Pomona</i>	
<i>Compton</i>	<i>Inglewood</i>	<i>Lawndale</i>	<i>Sam Fernando</i>	

### **\*Unincorporated Areas/Communities in LA County require both cat rabies vaccination and licensing**

### **Cities of LA County that REQUIRE cat rabies vaccination but do NOT require cat licensing:**

<i>Agoura Hills</i>	<i>Gardena</i>	<i>Monterey Park</i>	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>
<i>Alhambra</i>	<i>La Puente</i>	<i>Palos Verdes Estates</i>	<i>West Covina</i>
<i>Covina</i>	<i>Lynwood</i>	<i>Ranchos Palos Verdes</i>	

### **Cities of LA County that do NOT require cat rabies vaccination but REQUIRE cat licensing:**

<i>Diamond Bar</i>	<i>Santa Clarita</i>
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### **Cities of LA County that do NOT require cat rabies vaccination or cat licensing:**

<i>Arcadia</i>	<i>Commerce</i>	<i>Lakewood</i>	<i>Redondo Beach</i>	<i>South El Monte</i>
<i>Avalon</i>	<i>Culver City</i>	<i>Los Angeles, City</i>	<i>Rolling Hills</i>	<i>South Gate</i>
<i>Azusa</i>	<i>Downey</i>	<i>Manhattan Beach</i>	<i>Rosemead</i>	<i>South Pasadena</i>
<i>Bell Gardens</i>	<i>Duarte</i>	<i>Monrovia</i>	<i>San Dimas</i>	<i>Temple City</i>
<i>Bellflower</i>	<i>Glendale</i>	<i>Montebello</i>	<i>San Gabriel</i>	<i>Torrance</i>
<i>Beverly Hills</i>	<i>Glendora</i>	<i>Norwalk</i>	<i>San Marino</i>	<i>Vernon</i>
<i>Burbank</i>	<i>Hermosa Beach</i>	<i>Paramount</i>	<i>Santa Fe Springs</i>	
<i>Cerritos</i>	<i>Hawthorne</i>	<i>Pasadena</i>	<i>Santa Monica</i>	
<i>Claremont</i>	<i>Huntington Park</i>	<i>Pico Rivera</i>	<i>Signal Hill</i>	

Note: Information is based on review of city municipal codes in 2018. City laws are subject to change. Cat owners are encouraged to contact their city for the latest regulations.

