# CONTROL RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS IN THE SHELTER



## 1. VACCINATE ALL DOGS

Increase herd immunity by vaccinating ALL incoming dogs with MLV DHPP and intranasal Bordetella + parainfluenza.

### 2. SANITATION AND EDUCATION

Relocate dogs, remove waste, scrub with detergent, use sanitizing agent, pay attention to contact time and dilution strength, rinse and dry prior to returning dog to enclosures. Sanitize dishes, toys, bedding. Post signs and include in employee handbooks.

## 3. 1-WAY TRAFFIC FLOW

Foot traffic should move in one direction only, beginning with youngest, healthiest dogs and proceeding to quarantine, then isolation to exit.

## 4. HAND-HYGIENE, PPE, & SPREAD

Employees may spread germs on hands, shoes, clothes, dishes, hoses, and cleaning supplies. Wash hands often, protect clothing and shoes, keep dedicated cleaning supplies in each room.

## 5. QUARANTINE SICK DOGS

Rapidly identify and separate sick dogs.

Most illnesses are contagious for 10 days. QUARANTINE Flu is contagious for 3 weeks.

6. ISOLATE EXPOSED DOGS AND NEW ARRIVALS Minimum =1 week. Restart the clock if illness occurs.



## 7. CONTROL THE ENVIRONMENT

Decrease noise, humidity, intermixing, and overpopulation. Increase enrichment activities and fresh air flow.



8. INVOLVE THE COMMUNITY They want to help! They can foster healthy dogs, (especially young puppies), exercise shelter dogs, and assist with adoption efforts.



# CONTROL RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS IN THE KENNEL



## **1. REQUIRE FULL VACCINATIONS**

DHPP, intranasal Bordetella + parainfluenza & rabies (+/- bi-valent flu if your veterinarian recommends). Dogs should complete the entire series at least 2 weeks prior to kennel stay.

### 2. SANITATION AND EDUCATION

Relocate dogs, remove waste, scrub with detergent, use sanitizing agent, pay attention to contact time and dilution strength, rinse and dry prior to returning dogs to enclosures. Sanitize dishes, toys, bedding and discard damaged ones. Keep towels, blankets and other soft items behind closed cabinets or in sealed tubs. Post signs and include in employee handbooks.

## 3. 1-WAY TRAFFIC FLOW

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## 4. HAND-HYGIENE, PPE, & SPREAD

Employees may spread germs on hands, shoes, clothes, dishes, hoses, and cleaning supplies. Wash hands often, protect clothing and shoes, keep dedicated cleaning supplies in each room.

## 5. QUARANTINE SICK DOGS

Rapidly identify and separate sick dogs.

Seek veterinary care for sick and exposed dogs. Most illnesses are contagious for 10 days. Flu is contagious for 3 weeks.

## 6. FACILITY CONSTRUCTION

Walls, floors, enclosures, and play areas should be constructed of sealed, impervious surfaces. Ensure cleaning and drainage are easily accomplished in kennels and play areas are compliant with state requirements. Remove damaged toys, dishes, and beds.

## 7. CONTROL THE ENVIRONMENT

Decrease noise, humidity, overpopulation, and intermixing of unfamiliar dogs in play areas. Increase enrichment activities and fresh air flow.

#### 8. SUPPORTIVE MANAGEMENT Maintain an open and responsive management philosophy. Encourage active, ongoing, employee education, training and involvement. Maintain adequate staffing and avoid overpopulation.







## **COMMON DISINFECTANTS**

CHECK YOUR LABEL!	Accelerated hydrogen peroxide	Potassium peroxymono- sulfate	Quaternary ammonium compounds	Calcium hypochlorite	Sodium hypochlorite	Sodium dichloriosocyanurate
Common names	Rescue	Trifectant	KennelSol Parvosol Roccal-D	Wysiwash	Household bleach	Bruclean
Effective on porous surfaces such as artificial turf	Yes (use foamer adapter)	No	No	No	No	No
Inactivated by organic material (such as dirt or dried excrement)	No	Slightly less than bleach or quats	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Detergent ability	Good	Some	Variable	No	No	Some (if tablet form is used)
Requires cleaning as a separate step prior to use	No only pre-clean heavily soiled surfaces	No only pre-clean heavily soiled surfaces	Yes requires some pre-cleaning and all surfaces must be rinsed of detergent prior to using	Yes always requires extensive pre-cleaning, surfaces does not need to be rinsed after detergent	Yes always requires extensive pre-cleaning	Yes pre-cleaning is recommended
Stability when diluted	90 days	7 days	Varies	24 hours	24 hours (Inactivated by light)	24 hours
Contact time	10 min1:32 dilution 5 min1:16 dilution	10 min.	10 min.	10 min.	10 min.	10 min.
Cautions, notes	Residual disinfectant may feel greasy at higher concentration	May leave residue or cause damage on some surfaces	Potentially toxic to cats if diluted incorrectly	Disconnect and rinse hose-end applicator after each use	Corrosive to metal, a respiratory irritant	Less corrosive to metal, less irritating than bleach

# A Steps ( Ger Cleaning) KEEP YOUR KENNEL GERM-FREE

#### What's the difference between clean and sanitize?

Cleaning removes dirt, dried waste, and odor. It should be performed at least <mark>twice</mark> daily in enclosures and common play areas.

Sanitizing kills all germs, is performed <u>after c</u>leaning, and should be done between occupants in enclosures and/or at least weekly for long term enclosures and common play areas.



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#### SANITIZE

Pay close attention to: Sanitizer label claim, contact time (usually 10 minutes), sanitizer dilution strength, and dilution stability. (varies from 2 hours- 90 days)

## RINSE & DRY

This final step is required to ensure proper sanitation and is required by NC law prior to returning all dogs to enclosures

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## TIMELINE SANITATION PROCESS

#### **REMOVE DOG**

Pick up solid waste, remove dishes, toys and bedding from enclosure for sanitation

#### SCRUB WITH DETERGENT

Use warm or hot water and control overspray and puddling of water

#### SANITIZE

Pay attention to contact time,



dilution strength, stability, and storage

#### DRY COMPLETELY

Use towels or squeegie to help remove excess water.

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#### **TIPS**

Use foamer tips on hoses, keep separate cleaning supplies in each room.

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