



The prevention of, and control of the spread, of infectious Disease

At **The Mayne Stay doggie home boarding** we recognise the prevention of, and control of the spread, of infectious disease is highly important. This document outlines our procedures.

Ill Health

No animal suffering from, or suspected to be suffering from, any infectious or contagious disease can be accepted. **The Mayne Stay doggie home boarding** will refuse admission to any animal showing signs of ill health pending advice from a Vet.

Daily observations are made to check if any dogs are showing signs of illness.

Should an animal in our care show signs of suffering from an infectious or contagious disease they will be immediately transferred to the isolation facilities or our Vet **Aquarius Veterinary Centre** who provide isolation facilities. The dog will be treated according to the agreements in the consent form.

The home and vehicles are cleaned according to the cleaning regime.

Vaccinations

An up-to-date vaccination card must accompany all dogs. It is compulsory that all dogs must be vaccinated against:

- canine parvovirus
- canine distemper
- infectious canine hepatitis (adenovirus)
- leptospirosis

At **The Mayne Stay doggie home boarding** we also ask that dogs are vaccinated against:

- bordetella bronchiseptica and
- canine parainfluenza virus
- Fleas and Worming

It is **The Mayne Stay doggie home boarding** policy to ask all clients to worm and flea treat their dogs within 1 week prior to boarding for their own well-being. If there is evidence of fleas, lice, ticks or worms whilst they are staying with us, we will contact the clients vets to arrange treatment. The cost of any treatment will be invoiced to the client.

Handwashing

1. All staff will wash their hands when they start work, before interacting with any dogs.
2. All staff will wash their hands in the dedicated hand wash sinks after interacting with dogs.
3. All staff will wash their hands after undertaking any cleaning jobs.



4. Handwipes and sanitiser will be provided for staff when they are walking dogs away from the home.

5. A clean hand drying towel will be provided daily or more frequently if soiled.

Infection Control for dogs in Isolation

A dog showing signs of an infectious disease will be placed in the Dining room. This room has smooth floors and wipeable surfaces for easy cleaning and infection control. Fabric items will be removed from the room except for the dogs bed or blankets, which can be easily washed in the washing machine.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be worn by all staff and visitors (owners/vets etc) entering the Dining room room that is housing a potentially infectious dog. At a minimum, this consists of disposable gloves, disposable apron and impermeable shoe covers that are only worn in the isolation area.

Gloves, apron and shoe covers must be discarded after a single use.

Designated Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be removed before leaving the Dining room

Contaminated items (e.g., dishes, litter trays, toys and laundry) must be bagged prior to being removed from the isolation area, to be cleaned and disinfected, or disposed of.

Waste from an isolation room must be treated as infectious and must be bagged prior to being removed from the isolation area. Bags should then immediately be discarded in the external bins.

Hands must be washed immediately after leaving isolation. If clothing becomes soiled then it must be changed and washed before the staff member interacts with other dogs, to avoid spreading any potential disease.

The Mayne Stay doggie home boarding also has an agreement with ***Aquarius Veterinary Centre*** for them to act as an isolation facility and house sick dogs whilst they are treated.