



Thoroughly spray all floor space with a household spray, you need to apply it everywhere the pet goes—even the car! Remember to move furniture and spray underneath. This will kill the eggs and larvae that come into contact with the spray.

Encourage the pupal stage to hatch out into new adult fleas, so they will then jump onto your treated pet and die. This can be done by giving them warmth, vibration, CO2 and humidity.

To provide these stimuli: you can turn up the heating, place wet towels on warm radiators and vacuum every day for 2 weeks

It may take several months to remove all the life stages from your home. Until the environment is free of eggs, larvae and pupae you will still see fleas on your pet.

It is essential that you keep up treating your pet all year round, after all prevention is cheaper than cure!!!!

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Flea Facts

There are 4 stages in the flea life cycle:

Eggs, larvae, pupae and adult fleas. Only adult fleas live on your pet, the rest live in your home and garden environment.

Fleas can lay up to 50 eggs a day.

Flea larvae can live between cracks in floor boards, not just in carpets!

Insecticidal home sprays do not kill the pupal stage.

Eradicating the pupae from the home can take several months. Therefore it is normal to continue to see live fleas on pets for this period.

Regular vacuuming will help speed up removal of eggs, larvae and pupae from the environment.

Fleas act as intermediate hosts for tapeworms so if your pet has fleas it is likely to have worms too.

Be Aware

It can take months to rid your home of fleas, a single treatment is not enough.



Treat all areas your pets frequent including the car, outdoor buildings, dog kennels, furniture etc.

Fleas can live and breed in your home all year round.

For effective flea prevention (once the initial infestation is eliminated) you should continue treatment all year round applying your product every 4 weeks.

Any breaks in treatment will mean your pets are at risk of picking up fleas again, once on your pet they will rapidly start breeding and laying eggs which will drop off your pet wherever it goes.

Flea infestations are easily prevented.

Prevention is always better than cure.

Fighting Fleas—Prevention

Highly effective flea prevention products are available from The Vale as 'spot-on' preparations, collars and tablets. Most of these products will kill fleas within 24 hours of application and remain effective for a prolonged period. All of these products kill fleas and some also kill ticks, ear mites, mange mites, lungworm and roundworm.



There are so many different options now available for parasite control. We can create a parasite prevention program for your pet according to their lifestyle and environment. Ask your vet, nurse or receptionist for advice on what is best for your pet.

How To Get Rid Of A Flea Infestation

Ask for our advice for the most appropriate type of flea treatment for your pets and give the treatment as directed as frequently as advised. You must treat all dogs and cats in the family.

Vacuum the home thoroughly, ensuring you move and vacuum under all furniture and in all the nooks and crannies, skirting boards etc. Do this even if you have laminated or wooden flooring. This will remove some of the immature stages.

Wash pets bedding at 60 c to remove some of the eggs, pupae and larvae.