

ATTENTION WILDLIFE HYBRID OWNERS

If your wildlife hybrid bites a person or domesticated animal, it will be euthanized at your expense and tested at the Health and Environmental Testing Laboratories for rabies as soon as possible.

There is no rabies vaccine approved for use in a wildlife hybrid dog. Although your veterinarian may vaccinate your hybrid, it is unknown whether or not the vaccine provides any protection. Unlike with dogs, cats and ferrets, there is no known period during which a wildlife hybrid can be confined and observed for purposes of assessing whether the animal exhibits signs of rabies infection.

Examination of brain tissue is the only acceptable means of testing for the presence of rabies virus in a wildlife hybrid.

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