

## 2009 Vaccine Reaction Survey Results

The following pages contain the answers received from GP owners around the world concerning Vaccine Reactions in German Pinschers.

Thirty eight people responded to the survey from January through March, 2009.

This is NOT a scientific report, but rather an anecdotal survey of those that felt their dogs had vaccine reactions. The complete results are available, with all comments, by requesting them from [Raven13@aol.com](mailto:Raven13@aol.com).

The only conclusion that can be drawn is that this does occur in our breed, and that close supervision of the puppy/dog immediately after vaccinations (24 hours), and then again nine to twelve days post vaccination is recommended. Reactions *can* occur with a variety of severity, and *can* progress in a few to serious life threatening consequences.

All identities of those that responded will be kept confidential.

GPCA Health Committee

### **Country of Residence:**

**22-USA**  
**5-Finland**  
**5-Norway**  
**1-Germany**  
**1-France**  
**1-Australia**  
**1-Russia**  
**2-Sweden**

### **Do you pre-treat your puppy before giving vaccines.**

**6-Yes**  
**30-No**  
**2-No answer**

### **Color of puppy.**

**14 black and red**  
**19 red**  
**3 fawn**  
**2-no answer**

### **Sex of puppy.**

**24- female 14-males**

### **What was the age of the puppy when vaccinated and had a reaction.**

**8- 8-10 wks**  
**6- 10-12 wks**  
**9- 12-14 wks**  
**8-over 14 wks**  
**4- other-**  
**3- no answer**

**What type of vaccine/s were given to the puppy.**

**3-Rabies only 1-Distemper only**

**5- Parvo only**

**4- Distemper and parvo only**

**11- Distemper 5 way**

**4- Distemper 6 way (including Lepto)**

**6- Ravies and Distemper 5 way**

**1-Rabies and Distemper 6 way**

**2- no answer**

**2- other**

**How many days after the vaccine was given was a reaction noted.**

**1-Immediately**

**8-within 12 hours**

**1-seven days**

**2- within 2 days**

**7-nine days**

**6-ten days**

**7-longer than 14 days**

**1-two months**

**3-no answer**

**Were there other treatments, medications given to this puppy close to time of vaccination.**

**26-no**

**2-other vaccines**

**1-sugery**

**2-surgery worming, flea tx.**

**5-worming**

**2- no answer**

**Was the puppy stressed within ten days of receiving vaccination.**

**18-no**

**6-new home**

**2-travel**

**1-yes**

**9-no answer**

**What were the first symptoms noticed from this reaction.**

**12- ataxia**

**6 facial swelling**

**4 food refusal**

**5-drooling/nausea/vomiting**

**7-lethargy**

**7 twitching**

**4 seizures**

**3-injection site discomfort**

**4-no answer**

**Give progression of symptoms if several were seen.**

**See full report.**

**How soon after symptoms were noticed was the puppy seen by a vet.**

**19 same day**

**6-within a day**

**5-over two days**

**1-not seem by a vet**

**6-no answer**

**List treatments, medication prescribed by your vet.**

**Note, most received several medications and treatments**

**7-Antibiotics**

**4-Anti nausea medication**

**12-anti-inflamitories not identified**

**4- Anti-seizure medication**

**7-Benedryl specific**

**3-Prednisone specific**

**3-Bloodwork, x-rays, other**

**3- no answer**

**1-other**

**How soon did the puppy improve after treatment started.**

**7-Immediately**

**12-within 24 hours**

**3-two days**

**1-5 days**

**6-other**

**4-died**

**5- no answer**

**How long did it take for the puppy to recover completely from the reaction.**

**7-within 24 hours**

**7-days**

**4-wks**

**5-month or more**

**4-died**

**11-no answer**

**Did your vet diagnose this without suggestion of a vaccine reaction from you.**

**24-no**

**7-yes**

**7-no answer**

**Response of your vet to the suggestion that this was a vaccine reaction.**

**16-listened and treated**

**8-refused to diagnose as a reaction**

**14-no answer**

**Are you aware of other related dogs in the family that had vaccine reactions.**

**19-none**

**3-father**

**1-mother**

**15-no answer**