

Known pet animal bites- *Check vaccination status*

A vaccinated pet lowers the risk, but wounds still need care.

Bites or scratches from a known pet such as a dog or cat may feel less alarming, especially if the pet is healthy and vaccinated. Still, the wound should never be ignored.

What to check:

- Is the pet's vaccination history up to date?
- Was the bite accidental or provoked?
- Is the wound only superficial, or is it deep?
- Has the pet shown unusual behavior recently?

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If you have an OPD insurance policy, your **doctor's consult** relating to this bite could be easily covered.

What to do next:

- Wash the wound immediately
- Monitor for redness, swelling, or pain
- Seek medical advice if the bite is deep or the vaccination history is unclear
- Ask the doctor whether tetanus or rabies protection is needed

Even a known pet bite should be taken seriously if the wound is deep or the pet is not fully vaccinated.

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