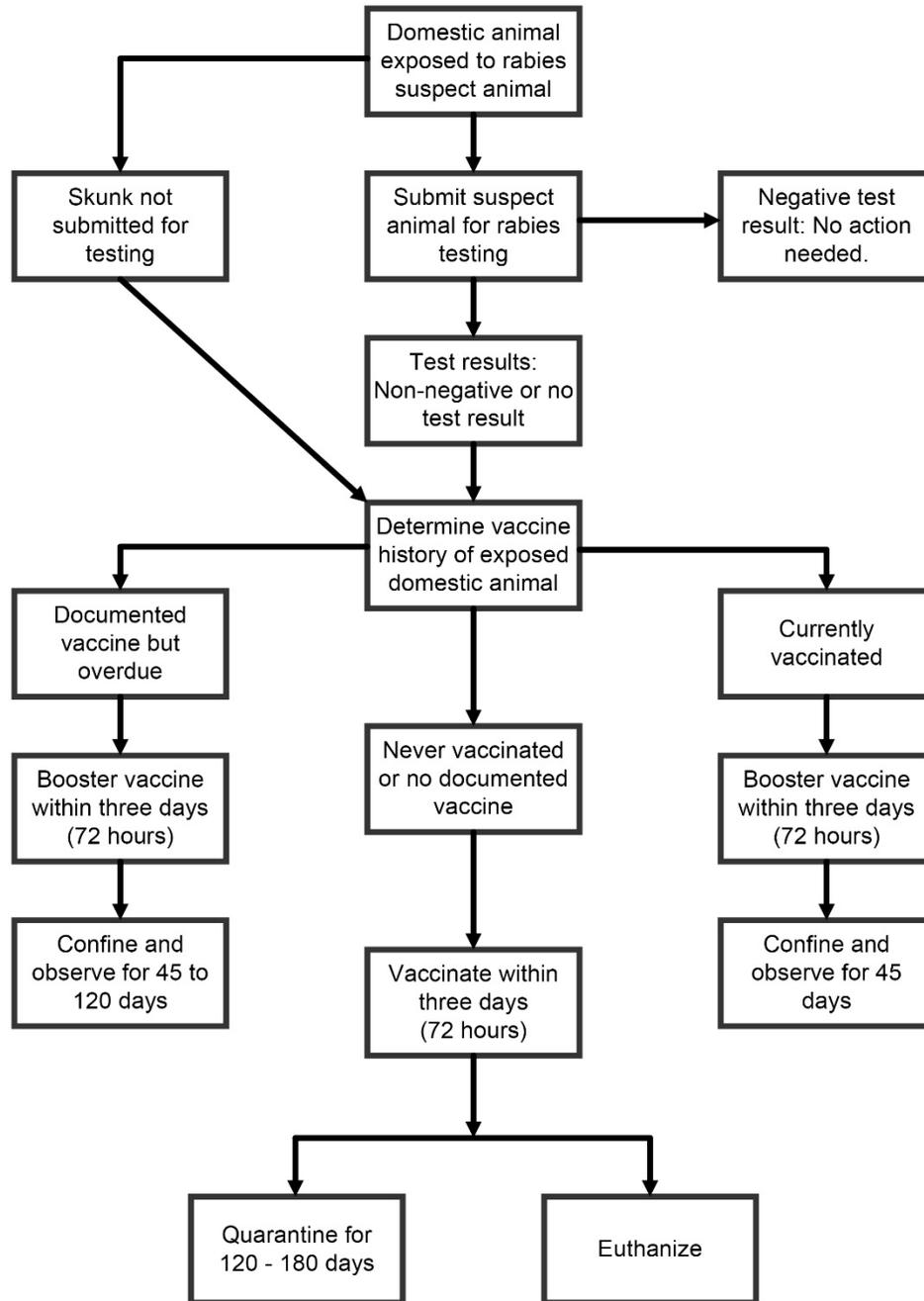


What to do if a domestic animal is exposed to a rabies suspect animal

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Contact the Minnesota Department of Health for guidance on human exposure.

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Submit suspect animal for rabies testing.

- If test results are negative, then no action is needed.
- If test results are non-negative or there is no test result, go to, “Determine the vaccine history of the exposed domestic animal.”

If the suspect animal is a skunk not submitted for testing:

- Go to, “Determine the vaccine history of the exposed domestic animal.”

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- If documented vaccine, but overdue, then booster the vaccine within three days or 72 hours, then confine and observe for 45 to 120 days.
- If currently vaccinated, then booster vaccine within three days or 72 hours and confine and observe for 45 days.
- If never vaccinated or no documented vaccine, then vaccinate within three days or 72 hours and either:
 - quarantine for 120 to 180 days or
 - euthanize.
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 - Euthanize

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