Rabies Tags and Certificates

The Cornerstone* Rabies Tag feature saves the rabies tag information for each patient and offers several ways to print a rabies certificate. Assigning the Vaccine Tag special action to the vaccine invoice item will speed up the process.

**IMPORTANT:** Vaccination invoice items must be set up to initiate the Vaccine Tag special action, which displays the Vaccine Tag window during invoicing or on the Patient Visit List (PVL). This is the only way to issue a new rabies vaccine tag and rabies certificate for a patient. Refer to the Cornerstone Help for recommended ways to set up vaccine service items linked to inventory tracking items.

**Tip:** Use this feature for all vaccines, so you can use the Vaccine Tag report to search by lot number for vaccines given, and so you can create an electronic vaccine sticker visible under the Tags/Microchip ID tab of the Patient Clipboard*.

Create a vaccine tag

1. With the client’s record open on the Patient Clipboard, right-click the patient’s name and select Patient Visit List.
2. In the Item ID box, type the ID for the vaccine or press F2 to search for the ID. Then complete the rest of the information in the row as necessary.
3. If the vaccine tag window does not appear automatically, click the Special button on the PVL window or at the bottom of the Client Invoice window, select the Vaccine Tag special action, and click Process.
4. To add the next available tag number, click next to the Tag number box or type the number in the box. Alternatively, if the tag is to be dispensed at the time of invoice, you can leave the field blank. The person posting the invoice will then be prompted to enter the tag number and can print the certificate at the same time.

**Tip:** If using vaccine tags for all vaccines, use the vaccine initials for the tag number of nonrabies vaccines, for example, FELV, DA2PP.

The Producer/Mfr, Brand, and Type boxes are completed automatically, and the Print certificate check box is selected. However, if this information is not displayed, you can enter the information.

5. In the Given box, verify the date and update it if necessary.
6. Verify or select the Manner of administration and Number of years details.
7. In the Lot number and Drug expires boxes, select the lot number and expiration date, or manually enter new lot and expiration information. You will be prompted to add these new details to the vaccine’s information list. **Note:** If you track expiration/lot information through the inventory module, you will need to verify the information in the Inventory Details window.
8. In the Qty/Doses box, verify the quantity/number of doses, and update them if necessary.
9. (Optional) In the Location of injection box, enter information about where the injection was given.
10. In the Performed by box, type the staff ID of the person administering the injection or press F2 to search.
11. Ensure the **Print certificate** check box is selected if you want Cornerstone to print a certificate when this tag is completed. If your practice prints custom certificates, when the tag is completed, the certificate document opens for printing in the Cornerstone Editor.

12. Click **OK**.

When you close all the windows and return to the Patient Clipboard, you can view the rabies tag and vaccine information on the Tags/Microchip ID tab in the Patient Information area.

**Other rabies tag/certificate actions**

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<td>View or reprint.</td>
<td>Double-click the vaccine tag to view vaccine information and/or reprint the certificate.</td>
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<td>Update.</td>
<td>Right-click the item and select <strong>Update</strong>. In the Vaccine Tag window, make any changes. Make sure to select the <strong>Print certificate</strong> check box if a new certificate is needed. <strong>Note:</strong> This option is available only if vaccine information was started but a tag number was not entered.</td>
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<td>Correct the information.</td>
<td>Right-click the vaccine tag, select <strong>Correct</strong>, and then modify the information as needed. Only staff with the appropriate security access can correct vaccine tags. <strong>Note:</strong> You cannot change tag numbers. If you need to change a tag number, you must void the tag and create a new tag.</td>
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<td>Void a tag.</td>
<td>Right-click the vaccine tag and select <strong>Void</strong>. In the Void Vaccine Tag window, in the <strong>Requested by</strong> box, type the staff ID or press F2 to select the staff member. Add a comment in the <strong>Comment</strong> box explaining why the tag is being voided.</td>
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<td>Reissue (replace) a tag.</td>
<td>Right-click the vaccine tag and select <strong>Update</strong>. In the Reissue Vaccine Tag window, enter a new tag number. <strong>Note:</strong> Vaccine information cannot be changed. Be sure to select the <strong>Print certificate</strong> check box if you need a new certificate.</td>
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<td>Add an existing tag number.</td>
<td>Right-click the vaccine tag and select <strong>Add existing</strong>. In the Add Existing Vaccine Tag window, add the existing tag number, expiration date, and the staff ID for the staff member recording the tag.</td>
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**Keyboard shortcuts**

- **F1**: Display onscreen Help for the current window.
- **F2**: Look up values for a list, such as with ID fields.
- **Tab**: Move the cursor to the next field.
- **Shift+Tab**: Move the cursor to the previous field.
- **Ctrl+Enter**: Move cursor to the next line in note areas.

**Right-click menus**

Use the right-click menu on the **Tags/Microchip ID** tab on the Patient Clipboard to manage rabies tags and certificates.

**Tip:** Double-click in ID fields to search for an item.

**For more information**

For rabies tags and certificates setup and detailed instructions, see the Vaccine/Rabies Tags section of the Cornerstone Help.

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