

This document includes revisions to
 Immunization requirements made in May 2003.



This chart summarizes the vaccine requirements incorporated in Title 25 Health Services, §§97.61-97.77 of the Texas Administrative Code. It is not intended as a substitute for consulting the Texas Administrative Code, which has other provisions and details.

Minimum State Vaccine Requirements for Texas Children

AGE ^a	VACCINE REQUIREMENT ^f
Younger than 2 months	No vaccines required
2 months through 3 months	One dose polio vaccine One dose DTP/DTaP vaccine One dose Hib vaccine
4 months through 5 months	Two doses polio vaccine Two doses DTP/DTaP vaccine Two doses Hib vaccine
6 months through 11 months	Two doses polio vaccine Three doses DTP/DTaP vaccine Two doses Hib vaccine
12 months through 14 months	Three doses polio vaccine Three doses DTP/DTaP vaccine Two doses Hib vaccine One dose MMR vaccine received on or after 1 st birthday ^b One dose of varicella vaccine received on or after 1 st birthday ^c
15 months through 4 years	Three doses polio vaccine Four doses DTP/DTaP (Fourth dose not required until 18 months) One dose Hib vaccine on or after 15 months of age, unless a primary series and booster ^g have been completed One dose MMR vaccine received on or after 1 st birthday ^b One dose of varicella vaccine received on or after 1 st birthday ^c Hepatitis A vaccine (selected counties) ^d : 2 years —One dose of hepatitis A vaccine (1 st dose on or after 2 nd birthday); 3 through 4 years —Two doses of hepatitis A vaccine
5 years through 6 years	Three doses polio vaccine including one received on or after 4 th birthday Four doses DTP/DTaP vaccine including one received on or after 4 th birthday (see note at left) One dose MMR vaccine received on or after 1 st birthday ^b and one additional dose of measles vaccine (this dose may be received as part of a second MMR) Three doses hepatitis B vaccine Two doses hepatitis A vaccine (selected counties) ^d One dose of varicella vaccine received on or after 1 st birthday ^c

Effective 8/1/2003—7 counties in addition to 32 border counties, require hepatitis A vaccine
 2 years—One dose hepatitis A vaccine;
 3 through 4 years—2 doses of hepatitis A vaccine (1st dose on or after 2nd birthday)

Proof of pertussis vaccination not required for children 5 years of age and older

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Minimum State Vaccine Requirements for Texas Children

AGE ^a

7 years and older

VACCINE REQUIREMENT ^f

Three doses polio vaccine including one received on or after 4th birthday

Three doses DTP/DTaP/Td vaccine including one received on or after 4th birthday and one dose within the last ten years.

Two doses MMR vaccine received on or after 1st birthday ^b.
For children born between September 1, 1978 and September 1, 1991 (inclusive) within 30 days after their 12th birthday (second dose may be received as part of a second MMR)

Three doses of hepatitis B vaccine ^e
**For children born on or after September 2, 1992
AND
For children born between September 2, 1988 and September 1, 1992 (inclusive) within 30 days after their 12th birthday**

Two doses hepatitis A vaccine (selected counties) ^d
For children born after September 2, 1992

One dose of varicella vaccine received on or after 1st birthday ^c
**For children born after September 2, 1994
AND
For children born between September 2, 1988 and September 1, 1994 (inclusive) received within 30 days after their 12th birthday. If first dose is received after age 13, two doses are required ^c**

Polio vaccine not required for students
18 years of age and older

^a A child or student must meet all the immunization requirements shown for an age group upon first entering the age group.

^b MMR (or one dose of each of its components) must have been received on or after the 1st birthday if the vaccine was administered on or after September 1, 1990. Measles vaccine received prior September 1, 1990 may have been administered in the calendar month of the 1st birthday.

^c Serologic proof of immunity or documentation of previous illness may substitute for vaccination. Previous illness may be documented with a written statement from a physician, school nurse, or the child's/student's parent or guardian containing wording such as: "This is to verify that (name of student) had varicella disease (chickenpox) on or about (date) and does not need varicella vaccine."

^d **In addition to the 32 border counties, the following counties are also affected: (effective 8/1/03) Bexar, Grayson, Moore, Nueces, Potter, Randall, Terry.** TDH shall determine if additional counties will be added to the mandate, annually by June 1. The 32 border counties affected by the hepatitis A requirement are: Brewster, Brooks, Cameron, Crockett, Culberson, Dimmitt, Duval, Edwards, El Paso, Frio, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, McMullen, Pecos, Presidio, Real, Reeves, Starr, Sutton, Terrell, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Willacy, Zapata, and Zavala.

^e In some circumstances, the United States Food and Drug Administration may approve the use of an alternative dosage schedule for an existing vaccine. These alternative regimens may be used to meet the requirements for hepatitis B vaccine only when alternative regimens are fully documented. Such documentation must include vaccine manufacturer and dosage received for each dose of that vaccine.

^f In accordance with the most recent General Recommendations on Immunizations adopted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) regarding the validity of vaccine doses administered less than or equal to 4 days before the minimum interval or age will meet this requirement.

^g A Hib primary series and booster is two doses (two months apart) and a booster dose on or after 12 months of age, received at least two months after the last dose.

Provisional Enrollment: All immunizations should be completed by the first date of attendance. However, if this is not possible and if permitted by local school district policy, a child/student may be provisionally enrolled and allowed to attend a child-care facility or school, provided at least one immunization in each series has been received. The remaining required immunizations must be completed as soon as medically possible in order for the child/student to remain in attendance.

Documentation: Since many types of personal immunization records are in use, any document will be acceptable provided a physician or public health personnel have validated it. The month, day, and year that the vaccination was received must be recorded on all school immunization records created or updated after September 1, 1991.

Source: The requirements are based on the Recommended Childhood Immunization Schedule - United States, 2002, approved by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP). Children on an ideal or optimum schedule as recommended will have received 5 doses of DTP/DTaP vaccine, 4 doses of polio vaccine, 3 or more doses of Hib vaccine, 3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine, 2 doses of MMR vaccine and 1 dose varicella vaccine by the time they enter kindergarten.

