

# VTNE ABBREVIATIONS

<b>BASIC METRIC UNITS</b>					
(in ascending numerical value)					
<b>Weight/Mass</b>		<b>Volume</b>		<b>Length</b>	
ng	nanogram	nL	nanoliter	nm	nanometer
mcg <i>or</i> µg	microgram	mcl <i>or</i> µL	microliter	mcm <i>or</i> µm	micrometer
mg	milligram	mL	milliliter	mm	millimeter
cg	centigram	cL	centiliter	cm	centimeter
dg	decigram	dL	deciliter	dm	decimeter
g	gram	L	liter	m	meter
dkg	dekagram	dkL	dekaliter	dkm	dekameter
hg	hecogram	hL	hectoliter	hm	hectometer
kg	kilogram	kL	kiloliter	km	kilometer
<b>OTHER COMMON METRIC UNITS</b>					
mEq	milliequivalent	cc	cubic centimeter	m <sup>2</sup>	meter squared

<b>US CUSTOMARY UNITS OF MEASUREMENT</b>							
c	cup	gr	grain	oz	ounce	T, Tbs <i>or</i> Tbsp	tablespoon
fl oz	fluid ounce	gtt	drops	pt	pint	t <i>or</i> tsp	teaspoon
gal	gallon	lb	pound	qt	quart		

<b>UNITS of TIME</b>							
d	day	h <i>or</i> hr	hour	min	minute	sec	second

<b>SYMBOLS</b>			
%	percent	°C	degree Celsius
>	greater than	°F	degree Fahrenheit
<	lesser than	#	number when placed in front of the numeral; i.e., #10 pound when placed behind the numeral; i.e., 10#

<b>DENTAL FORMULA</b>	
I <i>or</i> i	incisor
C <i>or</i> c	canine
P <i>or</i> p	premolar
M <i>or</i> m	molar

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Ad lib	(as much as desired)	GI	(gastrointestinal)
AD	(right ear)	HCT	(hematocrit)
ADP	(Adenosine diphosphate)	Hgb	(hemoglobin)
ALT	(alanine aminotransferase)	ID	(intra dermal)
AS	(left ear)	IM	(intramuscular)
AST	(aspartate aminotransferase)	IO	(intraosseous)
ATP	(Adenosine triphosphate)	IP	(intraperitoneal)
AU	(both ears)	IPPV	(intermittent positive pressure ventilation)
AV	(atrioventricular)	IV	(intravenous)
BAL	(broncho alveolar lavage)	K	(potassium)
BAR	(bright, alert, responsive)	kPa	(kilopascal)
bid	<i>also</i> b.i.d. (2 times a day)	kVp	(kilovolt peak)
BS	(body score)	LDA	(left displaced abomasum)
BSA	(body surface area)	LRS	(lactated ringer's solution)
BUN	(blood urea nitrogen)	MAP	(mean arterial pressure)
Ca	(calcium)	mA	(milliamperage)
CBC	(complete blood count)	mAs	(milliameperage seconds)
CK	(creatine kinase)	MCH	(mean corpuscular hemoglobin)
cm H <sub>2</sub> O	(centimeters of water)	MCHC	(mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration)
CNS	(central nervous system)	MCV	(mean corpuscular volume)
CO <sub>2</sub>	(carbon dioxide)	mm Hg	(millimeters of mercury)
COX <sub>-1</sub>	(isoform of cyclo-oxygenase)	M/N	(male neutered)
COX <sub>-2</sub>	(isoform of cyclo-oxygenase)	mRNA	(messenger ribonucleic acid)
CPCR	(cardiopulmonary cerebral resuscitation)	NaCl	(sodium chloride)
CPR	(cardiopulmonary resuscitation)	NPO	(nothing by mouth/ nothing per os)
CRI	(constant rate infusion)	nRBC or NRBC	(nucleated red blood cell)
CRT	(capillary refill time)	NSAID	(non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug)
CVP	(central venous pressure)	O <sub>2</sub>	(oxygen)
DNA	(Deoxyribonucleic acid)	OD	(right eye)
ECG	(electrocardiogram) <i>see also</i> EKG	OHE	(ovariohysterectomy) <i>see also</i> OVH
EDTA	(ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid)	OS	(left eye)
EKG	(electrocardiogram) <i>see also</i> ECG	OU	(both eyes)
ELISA	(enzyme linked immunosorbant assay)	OVH	(ovariohysterectomy) <i>see also</i> OHE
ETCO <sub>2</sub>	(end tidal carbon dioxide)	PCV	(packed cell volume)
FeLV	(feline leukemia virus)	PO	(per os - by mouth)
FIP	(feline infectious peritonitis)	ppm	(parts per million)
FIV	(feline immunodeficiency virus)	PRN	(as needed)
FNA	(fine needle aspirate)	psi	(pounds per sq. in.)
F/S	(female spayed)		

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qd	<i>also</i> q.d. (once a day)
qid	<i>also</i> <i>q.i.d.</i> (4 times a day)
RDA	(right displaced abomasum)
RBC	(red blood cell)
RNA	(Ribonucleic acid)
SA	(sinoatrial)
SC	(subcutaneous) <i>see also</i> SQ
sid	<i>also</i> s.i.d. (once a day)
SID	(source image distance)
Sp./spp.	(species)
SQ	(subcutaneous) <i>see also</i> SC
T <sub>3</sub>	(triiodothyronine)
T <sub>4</sub>	(thyroxin)
tid	<i>also</i> t.i.d. (3 times a day)
TP	(total protein)
TPR	(temperature, pulse, respiration)
TSH	(thyroid stimulating hormone)
U/A	(urinalysis)
WBC	(white blood cell)