

Feline Heartworm Life Cycle

Feline heartworm disease is transmitted by mosquitos that have fed on infected animals.

Like all parasitic worms, **heartworms develop in 5 larval stages**

First stage (L1) heartworm larvae (Microfilariae) develop inside the mosquito to stage 3 (L3), at which point they are considered infective.



90 + DAYS
Many L5 larvae die, causing pulmonary signs and lesions.

Signs of Heartworm Disease in Cats

- Coughing • Vomiting
- Lethargy • Difficulty breathing
- Collapse • Weight loss
- Sudden death

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