

Going Home With Your New Kitten

Taking your new kitten home is an exciting time and there is a lot to do to prepare.

MUST HAVE ITEMS

- ☑ Litter Box and litter scoop
- ☑ Litter Cats Pride Scoopable
- ☑ Food dry, Purina Pro Plan
- ☑ Food canned, Fancy Feast, any flavor
- \square Pet dish (2 for wet food) and pet bowls (2 one for water and one for dry food)
- ☑ Pet food storage dispenser or just a cereal container for dry food.
- ☑ Cat toys
- ☑ Carrier
- ☑ Scratching post or a cat tree
- \boxdot Cat brushes and/or metal comb is recommended.
- ☑ Research your local veterinarians for available vet services.
- \square Prepare a room for a kitten.

Your Kitten DOES come with a FREE 30-Day Trupanion Pet Insurance!

Activate your free 30 Day Trupanion Pet Insurance the day before, the day of, or day after your kitten leaves. PIN CODE is: BR1SC3122

FOOD AND LITTER

Your kitten is eating Fromm kitten dry (free feed left out at all times) and Fancy Feast Canned (any flavor), 3 times daily as much as he/she wants.

They should remain on dry kitten food until they are 18 months of age and always have wet food 2-3 times daily. Wet food is super important as it prevents urinary blockages and other health issues. Please do not give them a diet of mainly dry food. Dry food is not very healthy. It's full of carbs and fillers, while it's good, it's the wet that's essential for their health and wellbeing.

Abruptly switching your kitten's food will cause GI (gastrointestinal) upset and it is recommended to feed them the food they have been eating and if switching foods do so gradually and slowly.

He/She is used to Cats Pride Scoopable cat litter and both hooded and non-hooded litter boxes. Any pan will work, just remember that your kitty is going to grow, and you will need a large pan for your adult cat. I am a huge fan of the "Litter Robot" and the kittens have been using it since they were 6 weeks old. It's pricey at about \$400 but is an excellent automatic litter box. If you use this link, you get an automatic \$25 discount: Best Litter Box.

MUST KNOW ABOUT TRANSITIONING KITTENS

Kittens may stress with the change of location, diet, etc. This could consist of sneezing, runny eyes/nose or possible diarrhea. This is not serious and should go away in a few days on its own. During the initial adjustment period kittens do best when confined to a quiet room with carrier, food/ water, & litter box easily accessible.

If you have other pets in your home, a slow introduction is recommended. Your kitten is used to sleeping in our bedroom and has been raised as part of our family. We hope you will do the same and when he/she goes home they can sleep with you as well. Please do not throw them together with your other cat/dog and expect them to get along. A period of 2-3 weeks to transition is advisable.

Going home is the most stressful time in a cat or kitten's life. They are leaving everything they know and love and their entire world. They stress with location change, car ride, plane ride. They may not eat right away, have diarrhea, sneeze, have runny eyes or nose. This should all resolve itself within a couple of weeks usually. If not, however, a vet visit is recommended.

Transitioning to a new home can take a little bit of time. Your kitten is most likely not going to walk right into its new home and acclimatize him or herself immediately. Please allow them time to adapt and adjust and keep them confined to a small room such as your bedroom and give them plenty of love and attention. Everything is new to them right now and they need time to figure out their new world.

We do recommend your kitten/cat is kept indoors for safety reasons.

We recommend only the core vaccines be given which are the fvrcp and rabies vaccines. We do not recommend the feline leukemia vaccine as this has been shown to have adverse reactions.

Young children can scare new kittens when they go to a new home and it is recommended to give them space, even though they have been well socialized and are used to children.

<u>TOYS</u>

Always be careful about buying toys that the cat can easily swallow, rip apart and eat. If you see a broken toy, discard it immediately. Don't wait for an accident to happen.

Any Feather Teasers toys are good to play with your cat, but they must be put away after playing. Otherwise, the kitten can eat the spiky feathers.

Kitty mansions.com cat trees very durable and last a long time.

Catit Senses provide great sturdy toys.

Other Information

Cat Brush – I recommend a small soft brush for your cat or a metal comb.

My Kittens love soft blankets and bedding as well.

Scratching posts I recommend are Sissel ropes, cardboard scratchers, or carpet lined.

I use ceramic and metal bowls for feeding and watering.

Lifetime Support

Your kitten comes with Lifetime Support!

- Answers for questions about
 - o The Breed
 - Temperament
 - o Litter Training
 - Training in General
 - o **Food**
 - o Health
 - Behavioral Issues
 - Socialization
 - New Environments
 - Transportation
- Our Contact Information
 - Email: <u>sheramom07@yahoo.com</u>
 - Phone: 1-443-812-2464
 - Please, No Calls after 6 PM EST unless it's an emergency.
- Follow Us on Social Media and Join our Family Group Page
 - Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/sheracoon</u>
 - X (formerly know as Twitter): <u>https://twitter.com/Sheracoons2023</u>
 - YouTube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCX8sFmzehWkQ9rm4FXo-RqA</u>
 - Instagram: <u>https://www.instagram.com/sheracoons/</u>
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