

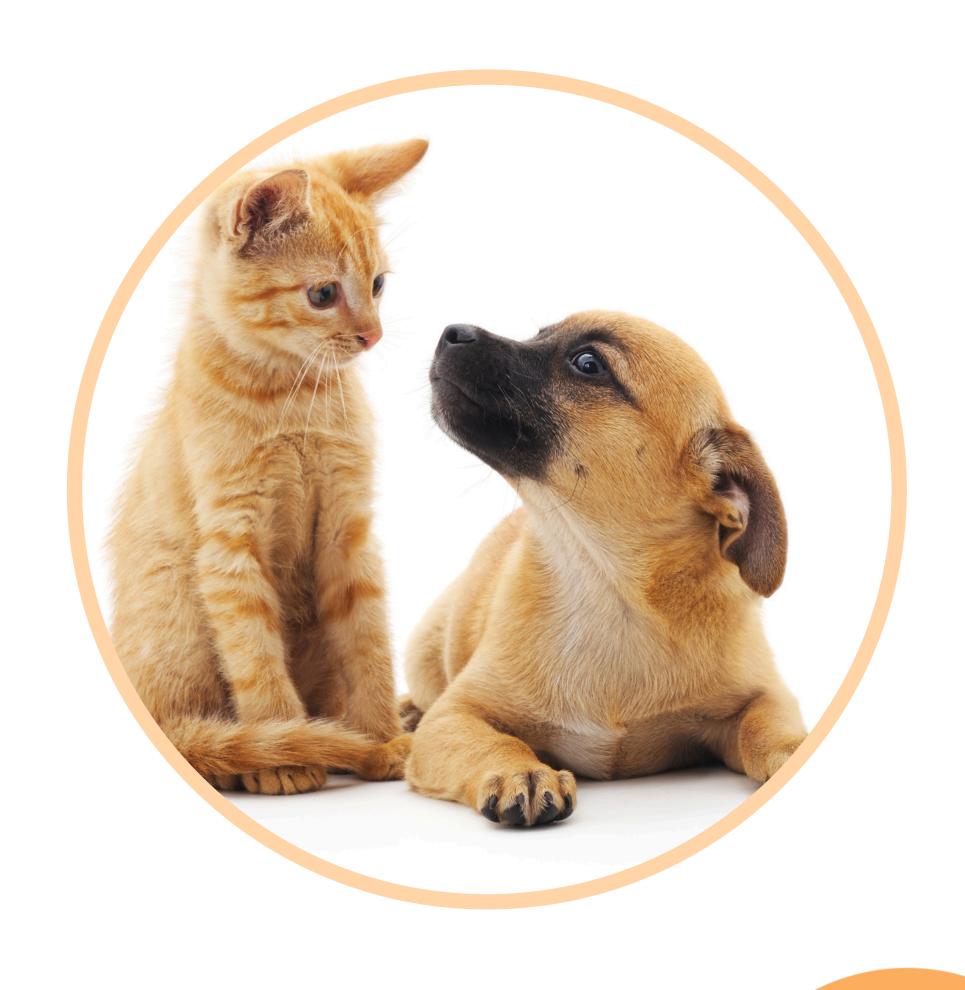
NEW KITEN INFORMATION



Congrata ON YOUR NEW FURRY FRIEND!

Thank you for entrusting us with the care of your new addition!

We look forward to supporting their health and well-being every step of the way.



PawlicyAdvisor NEW KITTEN CHECKLIST



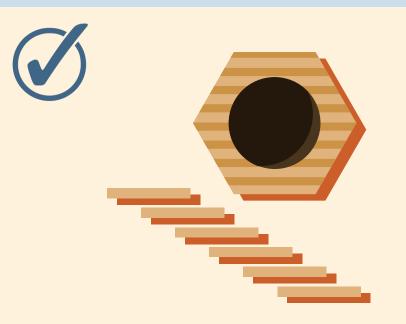
WET/DRY FOOD, WATER & FEEDING BOWLS



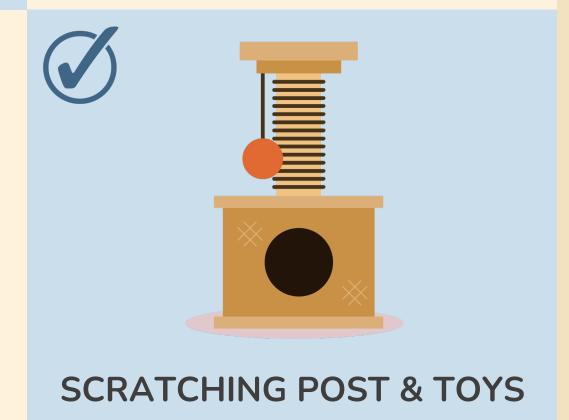


WASHABLE CAT BED





HIDING PLACES & CLIMBING STRUCTURES













Kitten-Proofing Checklist

Household Safety Check Room-by-Room



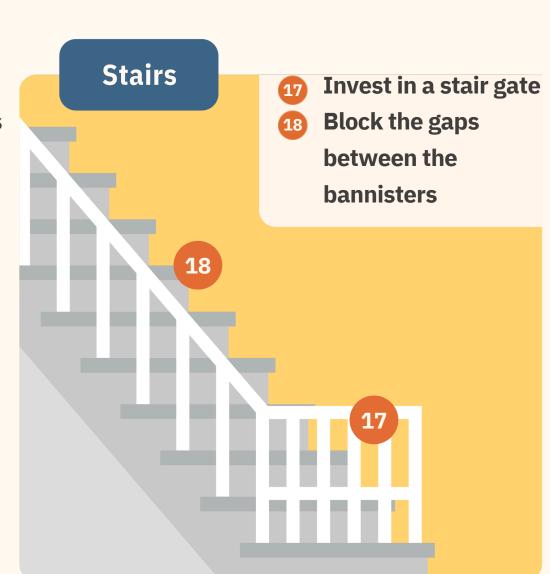
















VETERINARY CARE SCHEDULE

During your kitten's first year, they will need to have more frequent veterinary exams. These visits are essential for providing a series of vaccinations that protect your kitten from various diseases. By following this vaccination schedule, we help lay a strong foundation for your cat's lifelong immunity and overall health.

6 weeks

Exam

1st Kitten FVRCP (Distemper Combo Vaccine)
Fecal Testing

9 weeks

Exam

2nd Kitten FVRCP (Distemper Combo Vaccine)
Blood work including FIV/FeLV testing

13 weeks

Exam

3rd Kitten FVRCP (Distemper Combo Vaccine)
1st FeLV vaccine (Feline Leukemia)

16 weeks

Exam

4th Kitten FVRCP (Distemper Combo Vaccine)
2nd FeLV vaccine (Feline Leukemia)
1 year Rabies vaccine

Cats can be spayed or neutered between 4-6 months old.



Routine Care BREAKDOWN-FELINE

FVRCP vaccine: This vaccine needs to be booster every 1–3 years after the kitten series and protects against the following diseases:

- Viral Rhinotracheitis: viral infection that affects the respiratory system
- Calicivirus: viral infection that affects the respiratory system and leads to oral disease
- Panleukopenia: viral disease which causes damage to bone marrow, lymph nodes, and the gastrointestinal system

Rabies vaccine: Your cat will be vaccinated for Rabies at 16 weeks old and will last 1 year. The vaccine protects your pet <u>and you</u> from the fatal disease. This is an annual vaccine.

FIV/FeLV testing: This is bloodwork tests for antigens to the FeLV and antibodies to FIV. The tests alerts to exposure or active infections caused by these viruses. This test must be performed before FeLV vaccines are given.

FIV: This disease is transmitted through cat saliva, and usually passed to other cats by bite wounds. It is one of the most common infectious diseases of cats. This virus attacks the immune system and there is no cure. A cat can live seemingly normal life for years with this disease.

FeLV vaccine: This vaccine protects against feline leukemia and is highly recommended for any cat who spends time outdoors. We highly encourage kittens to be vaccinated for this disease in their first year, regardless of whether or not they go outdoors. FeLV is a highly infectious disease affecting between 2-3% of all cats in the US. FeLV is transferred by saliva, feces, urine, and milk. This disease can spread from cats who groom each other or share food bowls and litter boxes, and is also spread from infected mother cat's to young. This disease affects cat's immune system.

What is the difference between CORE and NON-CORE vaccines?

Core



Core vaccines are essential for all pets to prevent serious diseases



Non-core vaccines are recommended on factors such as lifestyle and environment

Ex: Rabies, Distemper



Ex: Leukemia





REACTIONS What to watch out for!

There is a chance that your pet may experience one or more of the following side effects after vaccination. Usually these are mild, start within a few hours of vaccination, and resolve within a few days. PLEASE contact us if you notice any of these side effects.

Sneezing, Discomfort/swelling at injection site, Mild fever, Decreased appetite/activity

More serious side effects are rare and may indicate an allergic reaction. These can occur within minutes to hours after vaccination. Severe reactions can be life-threatening and are medical emergencies. IF ANY of these signs occur, please contact us or an emergency clinic

ASAP!

Vomiting, Diarrhea, Hives,

Difficulty breathing,

Collapse

After hour Emergency Clinics:

Blue Pearl

4631 Merle Hay Rd, Des Moines, IA 50322

Iowa Veterinary Specialties

6110 Creston Ave, Des Moines, IA 50321

Iowa State University

1809 S Riverside Dr. Ames, IA 50011



Intestinal Parasites

If your pet is showing any signs or being infected by an intestinal parasite, please call us today!

Roundworms

Who: Dogs and Cats
How: Ingestion of egg with
infective larvae



Tapeworms

Who: Dogs and Cats
How: Ingestion of infective
adult flea



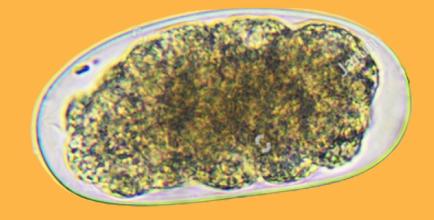
Giardia

Who: Dogs and Cats How: Injestion of oocysts



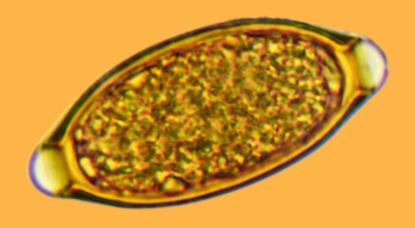
Hookworms

Who: Dogs and Cats
How: Ingestion of eggs and
through mammary milk



Whipworms

Who: Dogs and Cats How: Ingestion of eggs



Coccidia

Who: Dogs and Cats
How: Ingestion of oocysts











REVOLUTION' (selamectin) is a non-greasy, easy-to-apply, monthly topical solution for cats and kittens 8 weeks and older that protects where other preventatives don't. No separation is needed from the family after application.

revolution4cats.com

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION:

Do not use REVOLUTION on sick, weak, or underweight cats. Use only on cats 8 weeks and older. Side effects may include digestive upset and temporary hair loss at application site with possible inflammation. In people, REVOLUTION may be irritating to skin and eyes. Wash hands after use. See full Prescribing Information, attached.

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The Purrrrrfect Post:

Choose a scratching post your cat will actually want to use!

01. Think Tree

Scratching posts are good for stretching AND claw maintenence. They need to be solid, not wobbly. Posts must be tall enough that the cat can stand on its back legs and fully stretch its front paws all the way up!



Location, Location 02.

Scratch marks are an important social signal for cats and need to be on display. Prime locations include beside doors, in living rooms, or in front of previously scratched furniture.

Work of Art 03.

Cats put lots of work into their scratch post art. Ragged old posts are important. Don't just toss them away, add a new one next to

the old until your cat is comfortably using it..



Feels Good

04.



The surface should feel good to shred and leave visual evidence of the scratching. Sisal and rope are popular choices

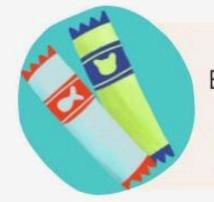
Get Down Low 05.

Some cats are more into a horizontal scratch, so provide both options. All the same guidelines apply.



Cheer Squad

Dr Jen Nesbitt-Hawes Pet Perspective



Encourage your cat to use the post by scratching it yourself, or running a wand toy up the post. Reward scratching with praise and kitty treats.