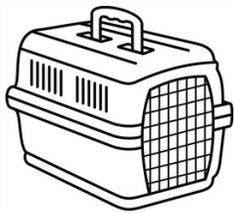




Congratulations on your kitty adoption!

Here at New Beginnings Animal Rescue we want you to know that you have become part of our family and we are here to help you and your kitty adjust to your new life together.

Remember to keep your cat indoors at all times - parasites, diseases, wild animals, and vehicles are all that await your cat outdoors. Keeping your pet indoors will ensure that they stay happy, safe and healthy!



When you arrive home, we recommend you keep your kitty in a small, confined room for at least a week. It can be very stressful for a cat to go from one "home" to another - many will just run and hide if you

let them free in your home. By keeping them confined, they can adjust to you and the new smells and sounds of home in an area they feel safe a secure.

When you feel your kitty has adjusted, open the door and let her come out and explore on her own. Be sure they have their dry food, water, and litter box with them in the room. Cats can live 15-20yrs, so it is important to give your cat all the time she needs now, so she can enjoy and live in your home without stress or fear.



Our cats are fed a mixture of dry foods, but it is primarily composed of Purina One varieties - we use whatever is donated, but we do not feed dry food with a lot of red-dyed pieces. These are low-quality food that leads to frequent, pink puke stains and diarrhea.

Cats also need canned/wet food. Contrary to popular belief, canned food does not lead to weight problems. Wet food provides moisture for your cat which is important since cats do not have a strong "thirst-drive."



Cats need to scratch so it is important to provide them with plenty of surfaces where it is o.k. to scratch. Scratching posts (vertical) and cardboard scratchers (horizontal) are a must.

You will also need a pair of kitty nail scissors to trim nails. We offer complimentary nail trims for all our alums if you're squeemish or want to learn how! It takes time and patience, but your cat will learn to tolerate nail trimmings and will soon become part of their routine.



The rule of thumb is 1 litter box per cat plus 1. If you have 3 cats, you should have 4 litter boxes. We use whatever litter is donated, but it is primarily scoopable litter. Litter boxes

should be scooped and cleaned out regularly. Cats will not use a dirty litter box!

Shopping list essentials

- Quality dry food - do NOT feed anything with red/colored pieces; brown is best
 - Purina One is the brand we primarily feed
 - Kittens: Purina One or Purina Kitten Chow
- Canned food - provides moisture and protein to cats
 - Any pate/solid/loaf variety is fine
 - Kittens: Fancy Feast kitten food
- Litter box(es) and litter
- Scratching post/cardboard scratchers
- Nail scissors
- Carrier