

MY CAT CARE SHEET

HOUSING

- Cats should be kept indoors for their safety.
- All cats (declawed or not) should have scratching posts. Scratching allows cats to work muscles, maintain nails and claim territory, and it helps them feel good. Provide both horizontal and vertical posts.
- For litter boxes: You should have one for each cat, plus one (2 cats + 1 = 3 litter boxes).
- Provide a cat tower or window ledge. Places of height are important to a cat. They feel safe up high.
- Create access for your cat to look out a window, so they can look at birds, etc. It's like TV for cats!
- Provide quiet hiding areas designated for the cats. Be sure kids and dogs cannot disturb cats in their "safe zone." Use baby gates or other barriers if needed.



FEEDING

- Do your research on cat foods and ask questions. The quality of food is very important to your cat's well-being.
- Feed 2 to 3 small, measured meals of premium cat food daily.
- Ask your veterinarian for advice on food selection and feeding recommendations.
- Match food to life stage and activity level.
- Watch for signs of boredom. Bored cats may overeat if food is always available.
- Use premium treats to reward your cat for good behavior. Treats should not exceed 10 percent of the cat's total food intake.
- Discuss canned (wet) versus dry food with your veterinarian to decide the best option for your pet.
- Make sure your cat has access to fresh water daily.

RECOMMENDED TOYS

We recommend: Da Bird, Cat Dancer, treat-dispensing balls, catnip toys, and laser pointers.



SHOPPING LIST

- High quality cat food/treats
- Unscented and scoopable litter
- Litter box
- Grooming supplies
- Flea and tick medication
- Bed
- Food dish
- Water dish
- Variety of toys
- Stain and odor remover (enzymatic)
- Scratching posts (vertical/horizontal)
- Carrier/kennel



ANIMAL OUTFITTERS

Animal Outfitters, Nebraska Humane Society's own pet supply store located in the main building, sells all of these supplies. You'll receive **10 percent off** your total purchase for the life of your adopted animal.

Just ask our friendly and educated staff to help you select the best products for your pet. Animal Outfitters beats all pet store prices and all the money you spend at our store goes directly to the care the animals at the shelter.

STORE HOURS

Monday through Friday – 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
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