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Caring for your kitten



Nutrition

Kittens need a balanced, nutritious diet to support growth and bone development. We recommend using pre-prepared, complete and high quality food designed for kittens.

Instructions may differ based on bodyweight and breed.

Fresh water should be available to drink and be located separately from litter box and food. You can contact our team for advice any time.

Toilet training

Cats are fast learners when it comes to toilet training. At least one litter tray per cat should be provided. This should be placed in a quiet place away from their food and water. Litter trays need to be cleaned out

Parasite control - fleas

It is important that you have your kitten checked for fleas. Each flea can lay up to 2000 eggs, so a single flea can be a big problem. If your cat will be venturing outside, we recommend treating to prevent flea problems.

Flea treatments can be applied to kittens from six weeks of age, once a month to treat and prevent fleas. You should contact your vet for advice if you are concerned about fleas in a younger kitten.

Vaccinations

Kittens are inoculated to protect them against cat flu (feline herpes and calici virus) and enteritis (panleukopenia virus). We recommend the feline leukaemia virus vaccination - particularly for outdoor cats.

Kittens should be vaccinated from eight weeks old.

Please check whether your kitten has had vaccinations prior to you adopting them and bring any vaccination paperwork to your vet appointment.

Pet insurance

We recommend life-long pet insurance for your kitten. This provides a means of covering your veterinary care costs.

Oral health

It is a good idea to get your kitten comfortable with having his or her teeth cleaned. Kittens have baby teeth which gradually fall out from around three months of age. These are replaced by permanent adult teeth by around six months old.

Our team offers dental demonstrations and can advise you on pet oral hygiene products for cleaning your cat's teeth.

Microchipping

A microchip is a small implant (about the size of a rice grain) which is used to permanently identify your kitten. It is inserted under the skin by injection. It can be done in a regular appointment or at the time of neutering. It is your resh