



## Items you need before you bring your new cat home & schedule

(Take this list to your local pet shop or **click on** any of the item names (A-N) to order online)

- A)** [Food and water bowls](#) – ceramic or metal is preferred. Some cats are sensitive to plastic.
- B)** [Cat Food](#) - Find out what food they have been eating and slowly wean them to a higher quality brand over a week or two.
- C)** [Cat bed](#)
- D)** [Litter box](#)
- E)** [Cat litter](#)
- F)** [Scratching posts & pads](#) / [Cat tree](#)
- G)** [Cat toys](#)
- H)** [Cat brush](#)

**I)** [Healthy Treats](#)

**J)** [Breakaway collar with id tag](#)

**K)** [Nail clippers](#)

**L)** [Cat Carrier](#) – You need a sturdy cat carrier to bring home your new cat and whenever they go to the vet. You will also use it if you are traveling with kitty for extended times. Cats get stressed out when they travel and will feel more secure in an enclosed container. A loose cat in your car can be a driving hazard, especially if she climbs down by the pedals. Your cat may vomit, urinate or defecate when traveling due to anxiety. A cat carrier will contain these fluids

When traveling with a kitten or kittens, it is helpful to take a towel or blanket the kitten has been sleeping on with you to his new home. Contact the shelter or breeder before you pick up your new pussycat and see if you can drop off a towel for them to sleep on before you pick them up. The shelter may also just give you a towel they have been sleeping on. Put the towel in the carrier for the ride home, and leave it in the carrier for your new pet to sleep on the first few days.

**M)** [Cat Toothbrush & Cat Toothpaste](#) – the earlier you start the easier it is to brush their teeth. It is just as important for cats as it is humans. This video will show you exactly how to brush your cat's teeth. Go back and watch our video to get your kitty tooth brushing technique down to a science.

**N)** [Cat leash and harness](#) (optional)

**O)** [Cat grass](#) (optional)

# Schedule

## Feeding your Cat or Kitten

**Kittens (under 6 months)** 3 to 4 times a day (more feeding info in Section 5 "kittens" below)

**Over 6 months twice daily**

**Training you cat to eat twice a day:** When your kitty hits the 6 month mark, offer food to them twice a day only. Leave the food out for 1/2 hour only.

Your cat will learn to eat all of their food during the 1/2 hour period. Do not give your cat an over abundance of treats, this can lead to obesity as they age.

## Daily Schedule

Clean litter box and feed

Clean food & water bowls (bacteria can grow fast in dirty bowls)

Change water

Play with your kitten or cat

## Weekly Schedule

Clean the litter box with a mild soap & replace litter

Brush teeth once

## Twice a Week Schedule

Gently brush hair

## Monthly Schedule

Check nails (trim if necessary)

## Yearly Schedule

Vet Check up