KITTEN CARE SHEET

Congratulations on your new fur baby! Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns anytime! Below you will find general information, recommendations and helpful suggestions.

Transitioning To a New Home

Your kitten may be nervous and want to hide for the first few days to a week. This behavior is normal as they are leaving their mom, siblings and the only home they have ever known. Your kitten may not be interested in eating the first day as well. If they haven't eaten by day 3, please consult your veterinarian for peace of mind. We recommend setting up a small intimate space close by with food, litter and toys for the first week. This is especially important if you have other pets in the home. Bathrooms or small bedrooms work well to help ease the transition. Spend as much time as you can talking and playing with your kitten during the first days.

Nutrition

Health is one of our top priorities! We feed only premium quality products to ensure the proper nutrition for our kittens. We proudly feed Lifes Abundance All Life Stages dry cat food which can be purchased at www.lifesabundance.com/nyfinestdolls. We don't recommend switching your kitten's food. Although, if you do choose to change the food, we ask that you wait at least one month before switching and to do it gradually. We recommend leaving dry food out 24/7 until 6 months of age. After 6 months ¼ cup of dry food in the morning and evening. Wet food is also important to feed regularly. We feed Blue Buffalo tastefuls kitten pate mixed with plain pumpkin baby food, Fera probiotics and NuVet supplement to support the immune system and digestive tract. Feed ½ can with pumpkin and supplements in the morning and ½ can with pumpkin in the evening. You can purchase both the canned food and probiotics on Amazon or Chewy. Check your folder for more information about and where to purchase the NuVet supplement.

Health

Your Kitten has received 2-3 FVRCP (Distemper) core vaccines depending on the age of your kitten. 12-15 weeks old have received 2. 16 weeks and up have received 3. Please refer to your kittens health record folder. If your kitten has received 2 FVRCP vaccinations, you will need to schedule an appointment with your vet for the third FVRCP 4 weeks after the second vaccination was given. Your kitten will need a rabies vaccination (depending on your state laws) no sooner than 4 months of age. Your kitten has been dewormed at least 4 times and has been flea treated. Pet quality kittens are spayed/neutered before leaving us. Males will have a small incision in each testicle which will usually heal within one week. There is no need to use a cone (E-colllar) for males. Females will have a small incision in the abdomen with dissolvable stitches. Females will usually heal within 2 weeks as long as the incision is kept clean and dry. Do not let her lick the incision to avoid infection. If she persists use a body suit or an E-collar. If the incision becomes red, swollen or has discharge please consult your veterinarian. Most of our kittens do leave us fully healed.

Litter

Your kitten is fully litter trained to use a regular litter box as well as a litter robot! Please keep your litter box in an accessible area far away from your kittens food and water. We recommend 1 litter box on each floor. Any quality clumping litter will do just fine.

Cat Toys, Trees & Scratchers

Your kitten is trained to use a cat scratcher. It is extremely important to provide an appropriate spot for your cat to scratch in order to avoid scratching in unwanted areas. Providing large, sturdy cat scratching posts and/or cat trees are ideal for Ragdolls. Amazon and Chewy have a large selection. Wands, tunnels, balls, and fuzzy mice are good options for your kitten to play with. Please refrain from letting your cat/kitten play with hair ties as they could potentially eat them resulting in an intestinal blockage.

Grooming

We recommend brushing your Ragdoll often. If not every day at least a few times a week to cut down on shedding. Slicker brushes and steel grooming combs are a good choice for your Ragdoll. We also recommend taking your Ragdoll to a groomer a few times a year for a sanitary trim to help keep the rear end clean and prevent poo from getting stuck in the fur. They also benefit from a seasonal bath and blow out in the spring to help cut down on shedding as well.

Last But Not Least

Please keep in touch! We love to get updates and see pictures of how your fur baby is developing!