

- o **Food/Water Bowls-** Stainless steel bowls are best. They are easier to clean and keep free from germs. Many cats are allergic to the plastic bowls.
- Cat Carrier- A sturdy plastic carrier is the best way to be sure your cat is secure.
- o **Beds-**Some cats like to have a soft bed that is all their own.
- o **Litter Box-**There are many types of litter boxes to choose from. You need to be sure your litter box is kept clean at all times to prevent cats from eliminating outside of the box.
- o **Litter**-As with boxes, you have a large selection of cat litter. The most popular litter is the scoopable type. Keep in mind that kittens 7 months of age and under should use non-scoopable, clay litter.
- o **Litter Scoop-** Necessary for scooping your litter box.
- o **Dry Food**-We recommend a quality dry food using the "indoor" formula.
- o **Wet Food-**We highly encourage you to give your cat wet food twice a day.
- o **Comb/Brush**-Depending on your cat's fur length you will need to choose accordingly. Regular grooming is beneficial and pleasurable to most cats.
- o **Toys-**From balls to squeaky mice, dangle toys and laser lights, your cat's playful nature will appreciate a selection of toys.
- Catnip-Catnip can be as fun and entertaining to you as it is to your cat.
 Occasionally sprinkle it on your cat's favorite bed or scratch pad and sit back and watch the fun!
- Scratching Post/Pads-These items allow cats to naturally stretch their bodies and dull their claws. They are highly recommended for your cat.
- o **Cat Books-**These and the internet are helpful reference tools for general cat questions.
- Veterinarian-One of the first things you should do after getting your new cat/kitten home is to find a good, local vet that has a good reputation. Once you find one you should bring your cat's medical records to them so they can set up a file for you and send out vaccination and exam reminders.