

I've Just Adopted A Cat And I'm A Stranger To It!



Rules And Tips For The Fridge Door



Once you have adopted a new cat you must remember, a new home can be very large and scary to a new cat. Starting the cat off in one room for a few days is a good idea. That way he or she will know where the litter box and food are, and begin to get used to you.



If you bring Fluffy home and he or she runs under the couch or bed to hide, do not be alarmed. Let the cat come out on it's own free will. The cat will check out it's new home when it is good and ready. The cat may take a week or two to warm up to you and your home, but be patient; you will have the rest of Fluffy's life to spend time together.



If you have other cats or a dog, introduce them slowly. It is normal for the first reaction of both your new and previous pet to not necessarily be a pleasant one. It can take a while for your pets to get used to one another, and that is normal.



For the first week or two try to keep your home a quiet one. Loud noises will frighten Fluffy, especially since this is a new and overwhelming environment.



Especially for the first week or two if you have children, it is critical to encourage them not to be noisy around the cat. Teach them to be gentle and not roughhouse with the new kitty.

Remember: Adopting a pet is a wonderful thing to do, and if you let the cat come to you on it's own time, you can both have happy lives together. You will not be strangers for long!