

## Kitten Check List

### *Vaccinations:*

**Distemper**-4-in-1 injection protects against Panleukopenia (Distemper), Rhinotracheitis, Calicivirus, and Chlamydia. As kittens, the vaccine is given in 3 injections spaced 3 weeks apart. In adult cats it is a yearly vaccine.

**Rabies**-Given at 4 months

**Feline Leukemia**-Given at 12 weeks (needs a booster given 3 weeks later). In adult cats it is given yearly.

### *Testing:*

**Feline Leukemia and Feline Aids**-Both of these diseases can be transmitted by the parents or from other cats or kittens. They are both contagious and it is recommended to have your kitten tested before coming in contact with your other cats.

**Stool**- It is recommended to have a stool sample tested for intestinal parasites. Some of these parasites can be transmitted to people as well as children, so it is good to know the status of your kitten.

**Heartworm**-Heartworm is an actual worm that lives in the blood and makes a home in the heart. Cat hearts are very small so even one worm can cause a lot of problems leading to death or long term lung/heart problems.

Heartworm Preventative: Heartworm is a very real and serious disease, however it can be easily prevented. Heartguard is a beef flavored chewable treat or Revolution a topical heartworm/flea/earmite/Intestinal parasite preventative.

**Flea and Tick Prevention**: Fleas and ticks are also common nuisance that pet owners must deal with if they have an outdoor cat. We carry a few products to aid you in the battle against fleas and ticks.

Frontline Plus-Is a topical flea and tick preventative when used monthly. It kills all stages of fleas when applied monthly.

Advantage-Is also a monthly topical flea treatment for cats and kittens. It may be used on kittens as early as 7 weeks of age.

Revolution-Is also a monthly topical flea treatment for cats and kittens. It not only prevents fleas, but also heartworms, some intestinal parasites and earmites.

### **Spaying or Neutering**

*Neutering*: We can neuter your male cat anytime after 5 months of age

*Spaying*: We can spay your female cat anytime after 5 months of age

*Laser spay/neutering*: This allows for little or no blood loss, reduced surgical swelling and less post-operative pain.

*Declawing*: Can be done with the spaying/neutering. Only done by laser.

## Websites and Grooming

### Websites:

**Healthycatsforlife.com** Offers wellness information for cats.

**indoorpet.osu.edu** Offers information about enriching your cat's indoor life.

**felinevideos.vet.cornell** Offers tips on basic health care and also disease care of cats.

**catvets.com** Offers information on diseases in cats.

**fabcats.org** Another fun website about cats.

### Grooming:

Geneva Lakes Animal Hospital	Walworth	262-275-3303
The Enchanted Cat	Richmond, IL	800-516-1228
Lake Geneva Animal Hospital (limited)	Lake Geneva	262-248-4790

### Behavior:

Cats International	catsinternational.org	
Lake Geneva Animal Hospital	Lake Geneva	262-248-4790