

It is so exciting to bring home a new companion! If you need any behavioral support along the way, please fill out our FREE Behavior and Enrichment Helpline form at <u>mohawkhumane.org/behavior-helpline</u>.

THE BASICS

Food: The Mohawk Hudson Humane Society feeds Hill's Science Diet. Please read this chart to determine the correct amount you should be feeding your cat. If you have questions, please consult your family veterinarian.

Dry Food per day*		Wet Food per day*	
Cat Weight	Daily Serving	Cat Weight	Daily Serving
0-5 pounds	$^{1}\!/_{4}$ cup	0-5 pounds	3 oz 5 oz.
5-10 pounds	$^{3}/_{8}$ cup - $^{1}/_{2}$ cup	5-10 pounds	5 oz 8 oz.
10-15 pounds	1/2 cup - $2/3$ cup	10-15 pounds	8 oz 10 oz.
15+ pounds	$^{2}/_{3}$ cup - $^{3}/_{4}$ cup	15+ pounds	10 oz.+

*half amount for two feedings

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If you wish to change the brand of food, we recommend that you purchase another nutritious cat food and introduce it gradually by mixing the new food in with the current food. Switching food too quickly may cause vomiting or diarrhea.

Water: Provide fresh water in a clean bowl daily. Your cat should have access to fresh water at all times.

Litter Box: Place an appropriately sized litter box with approximately 1-2 inches of litter in a quiet but accessible location. If you have a covered litter box, remove the cover for the first week to allow your cat to get used to the new litter box.

The Honeymoon Stage: There will likely be an adjustment period for both you and your new pet. There may be times when you feel overwhelmed. It's important to remember that during the transition period, your cat/kitten may display behaviors that were not discussed at the time of adoption. It's normal and to be expected. It may take time for your new pet to adjust to your routine. Give your new pet all the time they need to feel comfortable and to adjust to their new family. If you have any questions about your cat's behavior, we encourage you to keep a journal of the behavior and contact us through our FREE Behavior and Enrichment Helpline at mohawkhumane.org/behavior-helpline. We typically respond to requests within 48 hours.



ADOPTION PACKET

For digital access to the complete Adoption Packet, please scan this QR code or visit <u>mohawkhumane.org/cat-adoption-resources</u>.