

Cat food...What you should know!



GOOD Quality Cat Food

- Good nutrition is perhaps the single most vital factor in the health and well being of our feline friends.
- Feeding good quality cat food is easy and affordable!
- The pet food recall pointed out yet one more risk associated with feeding poor quality foods made from questionable ingredients.
- Good quality cat food has **MEAT** as the #1 ingredient listed on bag (i.e. **Chicken, Turkey, Lamb**).
- The *fewer* fillers the better! Cats' bodies cannot process carbohydrates. Rice, corn, soy, etc. do not fill a cat up, it leaves them unsatisfied and will cause them to eat more which means more trips to the litter box!

Readily Available Cat Food We Recommend

- 🐾 **EVO** (Human grade meat)
- 🐾 **Innova** (No grains)
- 🐾 **California Natural** (Chicken and Brown Rice)
- 🐾 **Nature's Variety** (Prairie)
- 🐾 **Wellness**

Quality pet food retailers:

- 🐾 S.A.R.A.'s Treasures 🐾 The Healthy Pet
- 🐾 All American Pet

Benefits of good quality food:

A longer life with fewer health problems
Shiny, dandruff free coat
Less waste and odor in litter box

Resources:

"Foods Pets Die For: The shocking facts about pet food"
Animal Wellness Magazine



POOR Quality Cat Food

- Poor quality cat food is the foundation of most common health issues we see in our feline friends today including:
 - *Obesity
 - *Urinary crystals
 - *Urinary blockages
 - *Diabetes
 - *Dandruff
 - *Gingivitis
- Poor quality cat food does **NOT** have meat as the main ingredient.
- Some of the most popular brands have **NO MEAT** at all...only by-product meal (a cheap substitute for real meat) and poor quality fillers from questionable sources.
- By-product meal is made up of animal parts considered "*unfit for human consumption*" such as heads, feet, beaks, eyeballs, brains, feathers, etc. of diseased, dying, disabled, or dead animals. Even rotten meat from the grocery store, still on the Styrofoam packaging is used. If there is no distinction as to the source of the meat, i.e. **meat by-product or animal by-product**, it can contain meat from **ANY** source including **road kill and euthanized cats and dogs**.

Stuff that should NOT be in cat food:

- *By- products
- *Corn
- *Wheat
- *Soy
- *Synthetic preservatives
(BHA, BHT, ethoxyquin, propylene gallate, propylene glycol, and menadione)
- *Artificial coloring/flavoring

Did you know?

Not only is **TUNA** full of mercury that cats cannot flush from their bodies, it can also cause a vitamin E deficiency!

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