

A Cat Owner's Guide:






Preventive Testing



How Old is Your Cat in Human Years?


















Cats age faster than people; one human year can be equivalent to multiple years of your cat's life. Use the chart below to find out approximately how old your cat is in human years and speak with your veterinarian about your cat's life stage recommendations.

Aging and undetected disease are why regular diagnostic testing may be recommended by your veterinarian.

Your Cat's Age	Equivalent Age in Human Years	Life Stage	
6 months–2 years	10–24	Kitten/ Young Adult	
3–6 years	28–40	Prime	
7–10 years	44–56	Mature	
11–14 years	60–72	Senior	
≥15 years	76+	Geriatric	

Preventive Testing Recommendations*

Use the age chart on the left and the table below to see what specific tests your veterinarian may recommend based on your cat's physical exam, life stage, and individual needs.

  	Chemistry Panel Provides information on several organ systems, important proteins, and electrolytes.
  	Complete Blood Count (CBC) Provides information on red and white cell counts to detect anemia, inflammation and platelets involved in blood clotting.
  	Urinalysis Provides information on the urinary system and helps interpret the chemistry panel.
  	Fecal Screens for gastrointestinal parasites.
  	Retroviral Testing Screens for Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLV) and Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) that can cause illness in infected cats. This test is lifestyle dependent, across all life stages.
	Thyroid Testing Determines if the thyroid gland is functioning normally. Recommended for senior cats.
	Blood Pressure Screens for hypertension or hypotension that can accompany certain diseases.

*Recommended by The American Association of Feline Practitioners

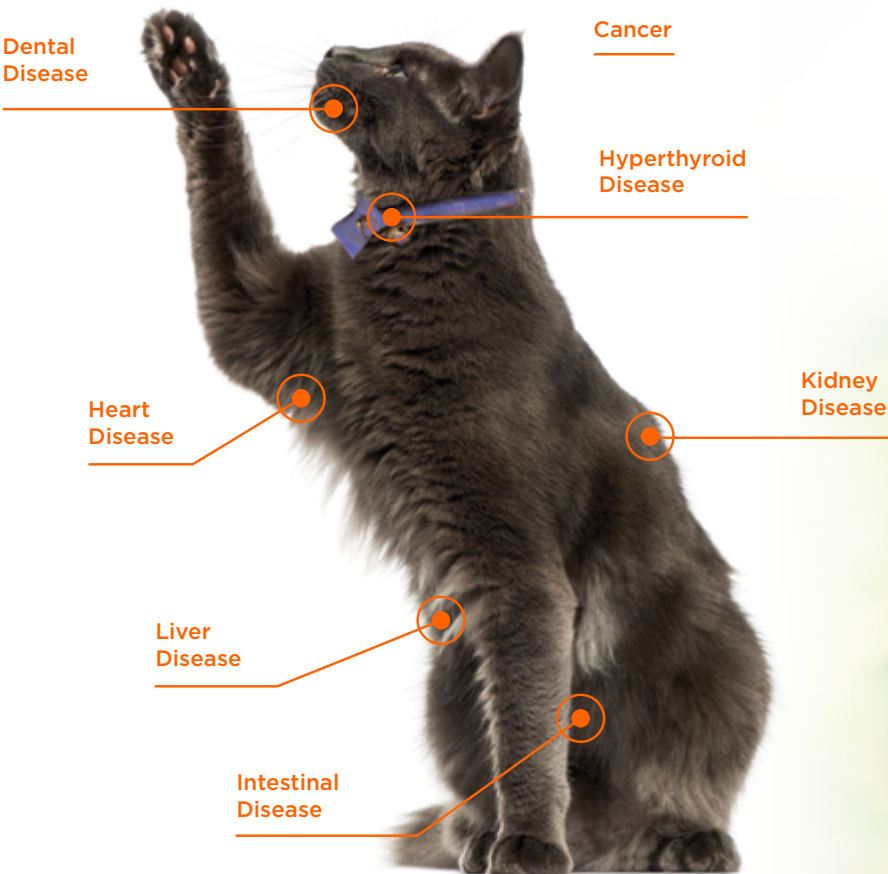


Why Wait Until Your Cat is Showing Signs of Disease?

Preventive testing and wellness visits are an easy, fast, affordable way to help ensure your cat lives a happy and healthy life.

Common Diseases Found Through Preventive Testing

It's important to perform regular diagnostic testing recommended by your veterinarian. The sooner you find any abnormalities, the faster you can take action to help your pet. Many diseases can be treated and monitored with an early diagnosis.



Benefits of Preventive Testing

Preventive care is important for your cat's overall health. It evaluates risks of disease, establishes healthy baseline values; and may uncover conditions not found during a physical exam.

Based on the findings, your veterinarian will provide you with recommendations for your cat's nutrition, dental care, vaccinations and heartworm, flea, and tick prevention, as well as recommendations specific to your cat's health status and risk factors.





Ask Your Veterinarian About Diagnostic Testing for Your Cat

Your veterinarian will be able to detect issues earlier and treat them sooner with simple preventive diagnostic testing designed for your cat. Diagnostic testing is also used to establish a biometric baseline to closely monitor your cat's health.

This clinic uses Zoetis diagnostics to aid in the evaluation of your cat's health.

Schedule Wellness Visits

Wellness visits with your veterinarian are the perfect time for you to ask medical questions, track behavioral and weight changes, and receive tips for at-home care.

Some topics that may be covered during your visit include:

- Behavior
- Environment
- Elimination
- Nutrition
- Oral health
- Parasite control
- Vaccination
- Diagnostic testing

SCHEDULE YOUR NEXT APPOINTMENT TODAY!

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