

# The 3 C's of Adopting a New Cat

Most experts agree that adopting a new cat into the home can take an adjustment period of three weeks or more, but each cat is different. Follow the 3 C's to help them adjust!

## **CONFINEMENT**

Use a spare bedroom, utility room, or other enclosed space to keep your new kitty confined for the first 2 weeks. This will allow her to transition easier as she adjusts to her new home and smells.

## **CARE**

Speak softly, visit frequently, and introduce her to other family members and pets slowly and with patience. Earn her trust and allow her time to acclimate to her new forever home and family.

## **COMMITMENT**

Adopting a cat is an emotional, financial, and lifelong commitment. Each cat has its own personality, and it will take time for everyone to adjust to your new family member. Be patient, understanding, accommodating, and take your cues from her behavior. It could take mere days or even several months for her to feel safe and loved.

