

The Governing Council of the Cat Fancy

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Member Education

Kitten / Cat records

All records detailed below must be established and kept for a period of no less than 5 years after the cat / kitten has been sold, given away, or deceased.

The records must be kept in a location that will allow for physical inspection by an authorised officer immediately upon request, and be able to be produced for physical inspection by an authorised officer immediately upon request, either electronically or in hard copy.

Kittens Under 12 weeks of age

Kitten records need to be established at birth for each individual kitten born and should be maintained according to the following requirements until the ownership of the animal changes hands or the kitten is deceased.

For each kitten under 12 weeks of age the following records must be available:

- · name (or other identification)
- microchip number (once implanted)
- sex
- breed
- birth date (or where the kitten was purchased from another breeder or private person and birthdate is unknown an approximate age based on veterinary assessment)
- · distinguishing features
- dam name & breed and sire name & breed, birth dates, microchip numbers and owner details
- a complete health care and veterinary history including:
 - vaccination records
 - internal and external parasite control
- disposal records including date and method of disposal, and the name and address of new owners
- · a copy of the vaccination certificate and breeder health declaration for the animal
- name, address and contact number of the purchaser
- return records, including date, reason for return and copies of supporting documentation, where applicable.

All kittens / cats 12 weeks of age or older

For each kitten / cat 12 weeks of age or older, the following records must be available:

- · council registration certificate
- name (or other identification)
- · microchip number
- sex
- breed
- · birth date
- dam breed and sire breed, birth date, microchip number and owner details (where known)
- kitten / cat acquisition date and details of previous owner (where applicable)
- · a complete health care and veterinary history including:
 - vaccination records
 - internal and external parasite control
 - breeding status
 - complete breeding history for each fertile female including dates of mating and birthing, number of offspring born for each litter including weeks gestation at birth, number of offspring born alive, number of offspring born dead, any birth complications and a record of treatment administered; number of offspring alive at 8 weeks of age, and microchip number for all offspring alive at 8 weeks of age; any veterinary treatment provided post birthing and/or during lactation.
 - complete breeding history for each fertile male including dates of mating and identification of female mated with
- sale records including date and the name and address of new owners, or deceased records where cat has been euthanized or died
- return records, including date, reason for return and copies of supporting documentation, where applicable.