# **LITTER BOX GUIDANCE 101**



## How often to clean your litter boxes:

#### SCOOP

😤 Minimum of once per day, ideally twice a day | 🞦 <u>Watch</u>

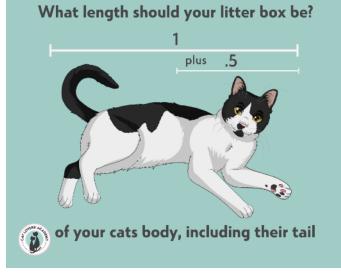
#### FULL DUMP AND CLEAN

- 😁 Every two weeks to a month, depending on the litter, dump all of the litter.
- 🕾 For pellet litters, it would be weekly.
- 🍄 Wash the box with mild dish soap and scrub and rinse | 📴 <u>Watch</u>
- 🕾 Refill with all-new litter.

#### LITTER BOX AMOUNT

- 🖶 A minimum of one litter box per cat, plus one box
- Add more boxes depending on your home's square footage and how many levels are.





#### LITTER BOX SIZE

Length - one and a half the length of the cat
Height - the entry point should be no higher
than the lowest part of the belly

For cats that stand to pee, aka "high-sided pee-ers," the back and sides should be high to catch their urine with low entry points

#### LITTER BOX LOCATION

- In an area that allows the cat to exit the litter box in three directions
- ↔ Spread the boxes throughout the home
- For multi-level homes, one on each level of the home
- 🖶 For large homes, on each end of the home
- 😁 In a quiet area without loud appliances
- 😁 In low-traffic areas
- Away from food and water, preferably these should be in different rooms.
- 🕾 In an area that is well lit 24/7

#### SUSBTRATE

- 😤 Clumping clay in at least one box
- 😤 Unscented
- 🛱 Find your cats preference, not your preference

#### THE DOs

- 😵 Spend time finding your cat's preferences in litter boxes; it's not the same for each cat.
- Clean often, more than you think. No one wants to use a toilet with waste in it. Your cat doesn't want to, either.

#### THE DON'Ts

- 😵 Don't use liners
- 😁 Don't use lids
- 😁 Don't hide the litter box; cats can trap each other.
- 😁 Don't put litter boxes next to each other.

### WHAT TO DO NEXT:

Contact us for help! - <u>www.catloversacademy.com</u>

