



### Feline Urine Collection Tips

- Use non-absorbable litter provide by our clinic. These plastic pellets give your cat something to paw at in the box but don't absorb the urine, leaving a sample behind. If your cat doesn't like the plastic pellets, we also have a special "sand" that will allow us to get a usable sample.
- To prepare, just empty the litterbox and thoroughly clean and dry it. Sprinkle the bottom with the plastic pellets.
- If you have more than one cat, you'll want to isolate the in a quiet room with the litterbox.
- Put the urine and pellets into the sterile urine container provided. Other types of containers can cause false results.
- We need at least 2 ml (or 1 inch in the sterile container) of urine to run a complete urinalysis.
- Write the date, time sample was collected, your name, and your pet's name on the urine container.
- If you are not going to bring the urine sample to the clinic right away, refrigerate the sample.
- Samples more than 24 hours old will not provide an accurate result.
- Please be patient - it can take 30 minutes to an hour. This gives us appropriate time to prepare, read, and have results reviewed by a veterinarian as well as fill the proper treatment(s).
- If a sample is dropped off a half hour before we close, it will not be processed until the following business day. Fecal samples dropped off at 11:30 am or later on Saturdays will not be accepted due to inadequate processing time.