



## CHECKLIST

### What You Should Look For Before Buying A Kitten

#### Premises

- 1) Pet shop is licensed by AVA to sell kittens.
- 2) Pet shop premises is clean.

#### Pet Shop's Handling / Knowledge of Kittens

- 3) Shop owner or attendant is able to handle the kittens confidently and correctly.
- 4) Shop owner or attendant is knowledgeable about the kittens and their care.

#### Behaviour / Condition of the Kitten

- 5) Kitten looks bright and alert.
- 6) Kitten stands and moves naturally and comfortably.
- 7) Kitten is in good physical condition.
- 8) Kitten's eyes, nose and ears are clean and free from excessive discharge.
- 9) Kitten's haircoat appears clean and lustrous with no obvious hair loss.
- 10) Kitten does not scratch or chew itself excessively.

#### Vaccination / Deworming

- 11) Kitten has received at least 2 vaccinations against feline rhinotracheitis virus, calicivirus and panleukopenia virus. (check vaccination certificate)

- 12) Kitten's second vaccination was at least 2 weeks before the date of purchase.
- 13) Kitten was imported not less than 72 hours earlier. (for imported kittens)
- 14) Kitten has been dewormed. (check vaccination certificate)
- 15) Kitten is free from external parasites, i.e. fleas & mites.

Note:

These guidelines are intended to help you choose a kitten that is healthy and suitable for you. We would advise that if any of the boxes is not ticked (especially items 5 to 15), you should reconsider your purchase or consult your veterinarian. If you have any queries please contact the Centre for Animal Welfare & Control, 75 Pasir Panjang Road, Singapore 118507, Tel. 64717198, Fax: 64733687.