

HOW YOU AND YOUR VETERINARIAN CAN HELP MAINTAIN THE HIGHEST QUALITY OF LIFE FOR YOUR SENIOR CAT

There are a growing number of ways we can help “slow the clock” and promote healthy, long lives for our senior cats.

• **Diagnostic Senior@Seven Wellness Exams**

Several non-invasive tests and procedures performed regularly can help your veterinarian detect early-stage disease when control or even prevention is possible and more cost effective. Senior@Seven Wellness Exams also provide a baseline from which your veterinarian can measure changes. These tests include:

- Complete Blood Count
- Serum Chemistry Profile
- Complete Urinalysis
- Fecal Exam
- Thyroid Hormone Levels
- Other tests recommended by your veterinarian

• **More Frequent Examinations**

While an annual exam may be sufficient for younger cats, your veterinarian may want to see your older cat at least every 6 months. For a cat, this represents 4 to 6 years in the life of a human. Special attention will be paid to your cat’s teeth and gums, skin and coat, heart, lungs, kidneys, digestive system, eyes and joints.

• **Nutrition and Environment**

A proper diet and suitable environment are critical to your cat’s continued health and comfort. Your veterinarian and hospital staff may advise you on modifications for your aging cat: a palatable, highly digestible diet with proper balance of calories and nutrients based on your cat’s specific needs, easier access to litter pans, heated bedding, and extra assistance with routine grooming.

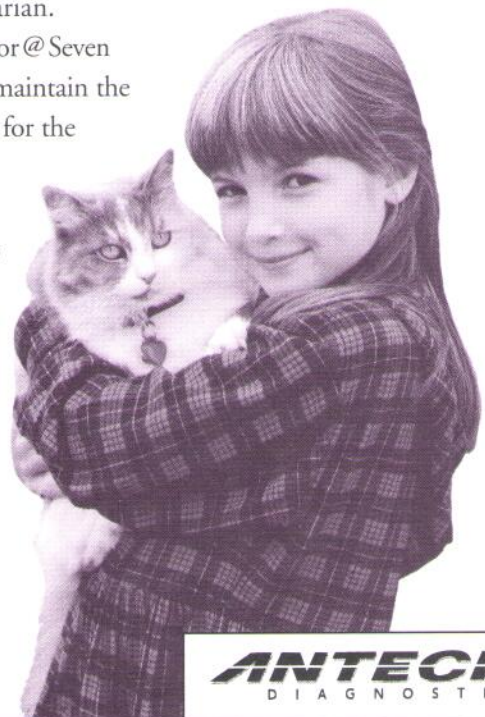
SENIOR WELLNESS CHECKLIST FOR CATS

<i>Signs</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
Change in water consumption		
Change in appetite		
Lethargic or depressed (listless behavior)		
Change in urine production (watch carefully for increased amounts of urine in litterbox)		
Constipation		
Change in attitude (irritability)		
Change in sleeping patterns		
Noticeable decrease in vision		
Vomiting		
Diarrhea		
Weight gain		
Weight loss		
Bad breath or drooling		
Lumps and bumps on the skin		
Excessive panting		
Breathing heavily or rapidly at rest		
Lapse in grooming habits		
Increased stiffness, trouble jumping, or walking		

• **Senior Wellness Checklist**

Use this checklist to help you observe behaviors and symptoms that may indicate potential health problems in your senior cat. If your cat is experiencing one or more of these signs, please inform your veterinarian.

The goal of a Senior@Seven Wellness Exam is to maintain the highest quality of life for the longest possible time. Together, we can make the senior years the most rewarding you and your cat have ever shared.

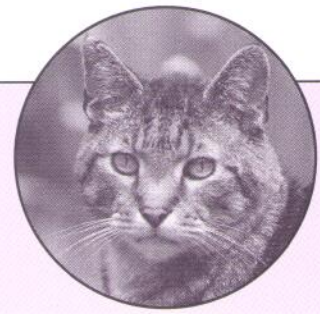


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SLOW THE CLOCK

SENIOR@SEVEN WELLNESS EXAMS™

Discover a longer, healthier life for your cat.



Statistics show that cats are living longer. We all cherish the companionship of our feline friends.

It is important that we help ensure these extended years are the happiest and healthiest possible. Working closely with your veterinarian, you can make a significant difference in the life of your senior cat.

SENIOR CATS HAVE SPECIAL NEEDS

COMPARATIVE AGES OF CATS AND HUMANS

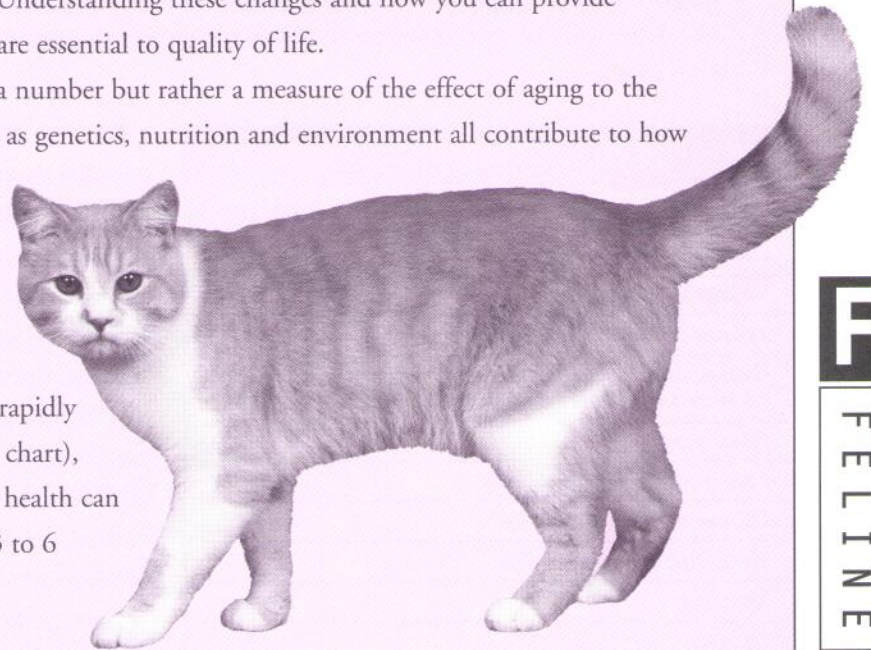
Cat Years	Human Years
1	15
2	24
5	36
7	45
12	64
15	76
18	88
21	100

As cats move into the senior phase of life, they experience changes that are very similar to aging humans. Diseases and conditions that are commonly known to affect older people also affect our feline companions: kidney, heart and liver disease, tumors, cancer, diabetes, depression, arthritis, neuroses and loss of sensory perception. Understanding these changes and how you can provide for your pet's needs are essential to quality of life.

Age is never just a number but rather a measure of the effect of aging to the body. Variables such as genetics, nutrition and environment all contribute to how your cat will handle the aging process.

In general, your cat is considered to be "senior" at 7 years.

Since cats age more rapidly than people (see age chart), dramatic changes in health can occur in as little as 3 to 6 months.



SENIOR@SEVEN WELLNESS EXAMS PROVIDE HIDDEN ANSWERS

Studies have shown that as many as 17% of middle age and older cats that appear healthy upon physical examination have an underlying disease. A Senior@Seven Wellness Exam includes laboratory tests so sensitive they can detect diseases and conditions early, when treatment and prevention are most effective.