

SOCIALISATION CHART: 2-8 WEEKS

Week beginning: _____



Litter ID: _____

Age on admission: _____ Origin of litter: Home / Feral / Unknown

Week	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
GENTLE HANDLING							
Restrained in hand							
Hold head							
Look in ears							
Examine neck area							
Stroke head neck, back and tail							
Touch paws and legs							
Lifted up and held	■	■	■				
Collar put on and removed	■	■	■				
Open mouth and examine	■	■	■				
Turn over and stroke belly	■	■	■				
Lift tail and look under	■	■	■				
Examine paws	■	■	■				
Kept apart from littermates for 2 minutes							
Placed into cat carrier	■	■	■				
Taken in cat carrier into car / van	■	■	■				
Groom with soft brush				■			
Gently restrained on table	■	■	■	■			

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SURFACES TO WALK ON							
Shiny surface (e.g. glass)							
Tiles or lino surface							
Rough surface (e.g. stones)							
Carpet							

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MEETING PEOPLE							
Female handler 1							
Female handler 2							
Male handler							
Other Handler							
Elderly person handler	■	■	■				
Toddler (2-5 years)	■	■	■				
Older child (5-12 years)	■	■	■				
Teenager	■	■	■				

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SOUNDS:							
Radio – music station							
Radio – ‘talk’ station							
Household sounds CD played							
Aerosol spray (at a distance)	■	■	■	■			
People shouting	■	■	■	■			

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LITTER TRAY							
Clumping type litter							
Wood-chip type litter							
Soil, peat or sand							
Scented litter							

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SCRATCHING POST							
Bark	■	■	■				
Cardboard	■	■	■				
String	■	■	■				

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FOOD TYPES							
Flavour 1	■	■	■	■			
Flavour 2	■	■	■	■			
Flavour 3	■	■	■	■			
Flavour 4	■	■	■	■			

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SCENT IN CAGE							
Cloth smelling of dog							
Cloth smelling of cat (relaxed vaccinated cat)							
Cloth smelling of rabbit							
Cloth smelling of a baby							

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TOYS							
Cardboard box	■	■	■	■			
Balls / cotton reels	■	■	■	■			
Empty plastic bottle	■	■	■	■			
Furry toy (e.g. ‘mouse’)	■	■	■	■			
Toy with bell	■	■	■	■			

Week	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
ACTIVITIES							
Played with string / toy on string	■	■	■	■			
Recall for a food treat using kitten’s name	■	■	■	■	■		

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OTHER PETS							
Contact with friendly, calm dog	■	■	■	■			
Visual contact with calm adult cat in cat carrier	■	■	■	■			