CHOOSING THE BEST LITTER BOX FOR YOUR CAT

Select a model that's made of easily washable plastic or other nonabsorbent material. It must be large enough for your cat to use comfortably, at least 14 inches by 18 inches by four inches deep.

Place it in a quiet, out-of-the-way location. If you live with more than one cat, you should provide more than one box.

You should avoid using a litter that contains a highly-perfumed deodorant. Although the perfume may mask the urine odor, your cat is likely to dislike it

and may possible reject the box.

Scoop urinesoiled litter and solid waste from the box at least once a day, and replenish the litter as needed. Change the litter completely and wash the box weekly with a mild detergent and hot water (be sure to wash your hands thoroughly after completing



the dirty task). Never use household cleaning agents containing dangerous ingredients such as phenol. A diluted solution of chlorine bleach is safe.

If your cat continues to reject his well-maintained box, you should try different litters, different box types and also litter box placement. Obviously, first get a clean bill of health from your veterinarian because urinating and/or defecating outside the box can signify a health or behavioral issue that may require expert attention.