



INDOOR Adult 27®

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Today, most cats in the United States live exclusively indoors. Less exposure to communicable diseases, decreased likelihood of trauma due to cars or other animals, and reduced exposure to extreme temperatures are some of the benefits that improve longevity for cats who stay inside. Studies have verified that cats that do not go outside have a longer average lifespan. While the difference in longevity makes sense, do cats who live exclusively inside have different nutritional needs than cats who go outside? They do indeed, and Royal Canin has developed a formula called INDOOR Adult 27® to meet the indoor cat's unique nutritional needs.

One common issue affecting many cats is obesity. Cats who live indoors have a much smaller territory to roam, and they are never forced to hunt for their prey, as they would do outside. As a result, these cats get less exercise. Many adult cat foods have an energy content that was designed to fit a cat that spends part of the time outside. When an indoor cat eats this type of food, there is an imbalance in the amount of energy needed versus the amount of energy consumed. This imbalance may lead to obesity. To help reduce the risk of obesity, Royal Canin INDOOR Adult 27® has fewer calories than most other adult maintenance diets.

Another issue frequently reported by owners is litter box odor. Many of the odors associated with the litter box are due to incompletely-digested proteins that serve as substrate for bacterial fermentation in the cat's digestive tract. To combat this, INDOOR Adult 27® has a moderate protein content and utilizes very highly-digestible protein sources so that most of the protein is digested by the cat, and little residue remains to be fermented into odor-producing substances.

Because indoor cats spend less time on hunting-type behaviors and roaming, they may sometimes fill this time with excessive grooming. The shedding cycle is both light- and temperature-dependent. Cats that go outside don't shed as much in the winter and shed more in the summer. Although the peaks and troughs are less dramatic, cats that stay indoors have a higher basal shedding rate throughout the year because the conditions of the owner's house "fool" this process. Excessive grooming and increased shedding is a recipe for hairballs. Royal Canin uses a blend of soluble and insoluble fibers to reduce the risk of hairball problems in INDOOR Adult 27®. This combination of ingredients helps increase intestinal transit of hair leading to elimination instead of regurgitation.

The increased health and longevity that comes with the indoor lifestyle allows us to enjoy our pets for longer now than ever before. However, by keeping a cat indoors exclusively, we can see increased risks of other smaller issues such as obesity and hairballs. To address these common issues nutritionally, we've designed a diet especially for the indoor lifestyle. Royal Canin INDOOR Adult 27® is adapted to the unique nutritional needs of your indoor cat.