

How to Collect Your Cat's Urine at Home

1. Start with a very clean litter box. You can either purchase a new one or thoroughly disinfect and dry a used litter box.
2. Replace the normal litter with a substance like aquarium gravel, packing peanuts, or Nosorb (plastic beads made for this exact purpose). Regular litter absorbs urine so it will not work. It is important to obtain a sample that is as clean as possible.
3. If you have other animals, place your cat in his/her own room with the litter box. Cats can hold their urine for up to 18 hours.
4. After your cat has urinated, pour the urine from the litter pan into a small clean container or suck it up with a syringe, obtaining at least 5 mls.
5. Drop it by the vet clinic ASAP. To temporarily store the sample, place it in the refrigerator. It can keep up to 24 hours in the refrigerator but it is best to test it within 1 to 2 hours.