



# Pet Care NOTES



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## **BE PROACTIVE WITH YOUR CAT'S AGGRESSION**

If you spend a lot of time with a cat, you know that you can form a very close relationship. It can be very upsetting (and dangerous) if your cat starts acting aggressively. When you notice aggression, make your first step an appointment with your veterinarian for a full examination to rule out a physical condition that can cause aggression. Deal with the behavior as soon as possible to prevent it from becoming a habit. Do not ever use physical punishment, as even a small tap can scare the cat and cause further aggression. Learn to recognize the signs of your cat's aggression, and try to startle the cat without making physical contact when it is acting aggressively.

If your cat's behavior is becoming a problem, discuss the options with your veterinarian. There are any number of influencing factors that may be at work. We are dedicated to compassionate pet care, and we promise unfailing diligence in determining and providing the best, most appropriate treatment for each individual pet that comes to us for care. We have a very well equipped facility where we offer complete health care services for small pets of all kinds. For more information, to schedule an appointment at our very modern facility, or for archived articles, visit our website.

***FACT: If your cats are aggressive to each other, put a bell around their necks so that they cannot sneak up on each other.***

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