Changing Your Cat's Food

Introduction into a new home environment is a stressful issue with some cats. **Slow** and **patience** are the key words. That goes for movement around the new house and feeding protocols.

Your new cat/kitten has been eating Purina One Dry cat or kitten food or possibly a "sensitive stomach" food. If you want to change the food, please continue this diet for at least 2 weeks. Then gradually introduce the new food into the same bowl. 10% new food 90% "old" food for a few days....every few days, increase the percentage of new food and decrease the percentage of old food.....over a period of about 2-3 weeks - until the change is complete. If you want to change the sensitive stomach food, please work with your vet. The canned food they have been eating is Friskies...kittens about 1/3 of 1 can 3 times per day and adult cats, the same amount 2 times per day....in addition to the dry. When available we feed the kittens Authority (PetSmart house brand) kitten food (5.5oz cans) they LOVE it. Feeding both dry and canned gives your cat the proper nutrition and the canned adds water to their diet. FRESH water daily is critical for proper lifelong kidney function.

By using this slow method of food changing, you will <u>prevent</u> stomach and diarrhea issues both of which are troublesome issues.