

# KittyCatalog Element Set

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## Introduction:

The KittyCatalog element set was created to describe cats that are available for adoption. It is created with three types of users in mind: adoption agencies, cat foster parents, and potential adopters. Adoption agencies can keep track of necessary data about the cats they are responsible for and about the foster parents they work with. Foster parents can find cats that need to be fostered and can also add data about the cats as necessary. Potential adopters are able to browse or search for cats that are available for adoption in order to help find a new pet.

## Entities:

<b>Agency:</b> adoption agency		<b>Foster:</b> person who fosters cats	
<b>Elements:</b>		<b>Elements:</b>	
	address		address
	email		email
	hasCat		fostering
	identifier		identifier
	name		name
	postalCode		telephone
	telephone		type
	type		withAgency
	url		

<b>Cat:</b> a cat in the registry			
<b>Elements:</b>		<b>Elements:</b>	
	age		location
	availability		name
	birthDate		pattern
	breed		personality
	chip		sex
	color		size
	fosteredBy		source
	furLength		spayNeuter
	goodWith		personality
	health		type
	identifier		vaccination
	image		withAgency
	intakeDate		withWhite
	location		

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**Elements:**

**Element Name:** Address

**Element Label:** address

**Element URI:** <https://schema.org/address>

**Definition:** Physical address of the entity.

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** This element can be used for fosters or for agencies. It is recommended to include the building number, street name, city, and 2-digit state abbreviation. Ex. 1234 W North Ave, Chicago, IL. The postal code is included in a separate element.

**Element Name:** Age

**Element Label:** age

**Definition:** The age group of the cat.

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** Choose the age group based on the estimated age of the cat on intake.

**Value Space:** Controlled list

Value	Definition
kitten	<1 year
young adult	1-6 years
mature adult	7-10 years
senior	11+ years

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**Element Name:** Availability

**Element Label:** availability

**Definition:** Describes if the cat is available for fostering or for adoption.

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** This value should be edited whenever the cat's status changes.

**Value Space:** controlled list

Values
unavailable
available for fostering
foster pending
available for adoption

adoption pending
adopted

**Element Name:** Birth Date

**Element Label:** birthDate

**Element URI:** https://schema.org/birthDate

**Definition:** Date of birth.

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** This value can be an estimate. The minimum requirement is an estimated year of birth. For younger cats, an estimated month of birth can be added. Only include a day if certain.

**Value Space:** Values should follow ISO 8601 format: YYYY, YYYY-MM, or YYYY-MM-DD.

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**Element Name:** Breed

**Element Label:** breed

**Definition:** breed of cat

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** Breeds are assigned to their closest match from the TICA recognized breeds based on appearance. Cats that do not match any of the TICA breed will be designated “Domestic cat”

**Value Space:** Authorized list: [TICA recognized breeds](#).

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**Element Name:** Chip

**Element Label:** chip

**Definition:** states information about a cat’s chip if chipped

**Implementation:** O

**Comment:** This element should be included only if a cat has been chipped. Include identifying information for the chip: generally company plus an identifying number.

**Value Space:** uncontrolled

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**Element Name:** Color

**Element Label:** color

**Definition:** color of coat

**Implementation:** O, R

**Comment:** This element is repeatable for multicolored cats. Examples can be found at [What Color is My Cat?](#)

**Value Space:** controlled list

Value	Use For
black	
blue	Gray (darker than silver)
chocolate	Brown (darker than seal)
cream	buff
red	Orange, rust, yellow, ginger
seal	Brown (lighter than chocolate)
silver	Gray (lighter than blue)
white	

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**Element Name:** Email

**Element Label:** email

**Element URI:** <https://schema.org/email>

**Definition:** Email address.

**Implementation:** O, R

**Value Space:** controlled, rule

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**Element Name:** Fostered By

**Element Label:** fosteredBy

**Definition:** person who is fostering a cat

**Implementation:** O

**Comment:** This element will connect to the record for a Foster.

**Value Space:** local authority file

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**Element Name:** Fostering

**Element Label:** fostering

**Definition:** links to the cats being fostered by a particular person

**Implementation:** O, R

**Comment:** This element will connect Foster records to Cat records.

**Value Space:** local authority file

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**Element Name:** Fur Length

**Element Label:** furLength

**Definition:** length of fur: naked, short, medium, or long

**Implementation:** M

**Value Space:** controlled list

Values	Example
naked	<a href="#">Sphynx</a>
short	<a href="#">Bengal</a>
medium	<a href="#">Nebelung</a>
long	<a href="#">Persian</a>

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**Element Name:** Good With

**Element Label:** goodWith

**Definition:** if the cat behaves well with other cats, children, or dogs

**Implementation:** O, R

**Comment:** This element should be used only if the cat has experience with other cats, children or dogs.

**Value Space:** controlled list

Value	Definition
Other cats	Choose this value if the cat behaves well with other cats.
children	Choose this value if the cat behaves well with children.
dogs	Choose this value if the cat behaves well with dogs.

**Element Name:** Has Cat

**Element Label:** hasCat

**Definition:** The cats that an agency is caring for.

**Implementation:** O

**Comment:** This element connects an Agency record to Cat records.

**Value Space:** local authority file

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**Element Name:** Health

**Element Label:** health

**Definition:** describes any special health concerns.

**Implementation:** O

**Comment:** This element should include anything beyond basic health needs for a cat. Example: FIV+, cat is diabetic and requires insulin injections, cat is missing a limb, etc.

**Value Space:** uncontrolled, text.

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**Element Name:** Identifier

**Element Label:** identifier

**Element URI:** <https://schema.org/identifier>

**Definition:** The identifier property represents any kind of identifier for any kind of Thing.

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** All entities will have an identifier consisting of a letter followed by 5 digits.

**Value Space:** controlled, rule

Entity	Example
Agency	A12345
Cat	C12345
Foster	F12345

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**Element Name:** Image

**Element Label:** image

**Element URI:** <https://schema.org/image>

**Definition:** An image of the cat. It should be a URL.

**Implementation:** O, R

**Comment:** File names should include the cat's identifier.

**Value Space:** URL

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**Element Name:** Intake Date

**Element Label:** intakeDate

**Definition:** the date a cat arrived at the agency

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** This should include the year, month, and day.

**Value Space:** Values should follow ISO 8601 format: YYYY-MM-DD

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**Element Name:** Location

**Element Label:** location

**Definition:** current location of cat. (specific room at shelter, foster care, vet, etc.)

**Implementation:** O

**Comment:** Each agency may have their own local list of possible locations.

**Value Space:** uncontrolled

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**Element Name:** Name

**Element Label:** name

**Element URI:** https://schema.org/name

**Definition:** The name of the item.

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** All names should be written in direct order.

**Value Space:** uncontrolled

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**Element Name:** Pattern

**Element Label:** pattern

**Definition:** the pattern of the cat's coat

**Implementation:** M, R

**Comment:** Examples can be found at [What Color is My Cat?](#)

**Value Space:** controlled list

Value
solid



mackerel tabby
classic tabby
spotted tabby
ticked tabby
tortie
torbie
with white
pointed

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**Element Name:** Personality

**Element Label:** personality

**Element URI:**

**Definition:** description of the cat's behavior and personality

**Implementation:** O

**Comment:** Should consist of a few sentences or a short paragraph.

**Value Space:** uncontrolled

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**Element Name:** Postal Code

**Element Label:** postalCode

**Element URI:** <https://schema.org/postalCode>

**Definition:** The postal code. For example, 94043.

**Implementation:** M

**Value Space:** Controlled, rule.

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**Element Name:** Sex

**Element Label:** sex

**Definition:** sex of the cat

**Implementation:** M

**Value Space:** Controlled list: either Male or Female.

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**Element Name:** Size

**Element Label:** size

**Definition:** general size of the cat

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** Size is based on the cat's weight.

**Value Space:** Controlled list

<b>Value</b>	<b>Definition</b>
small	< 9 lbs.
average	9-13 lbs
large	13-20 lbs
Extra large	>20 lbs.

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**Element Name:** Source

**Element Label:** source

**Definition:** where the cat originated from

**Implementation:** M

**Comment:** Agencies may have a locally controlled list of sources (particular colony names, etc.)

**Value Space:** uncontrolled

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**Element Name:** Spay/Neuter

**Element Label:** spayNeuter

**Element URI:**

**Definition:** whether a cat has been spayed or neutered

**Implementation:** M

**Value Space:** true/false

**Element Name:** Telephone

**Element Label:** telephone

**Element URI:** <https://schema.org/telephone>

**Definition:** The telephone number.

**Implementation:** O, R

**Comment:** Phone number should be entered as numbers only, with no punctuation.

**Value Space:** controlled, rule

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**Element Name:** Type

**Element Label:** dc: type

**Element URI:** <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/type>

**Definition:** type of entity

**Implementation:** M

**Value Space:** controlled list

Value
Agency
Cat
Foster

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**Element Name:** URL

**Element Label:** url

**Element URI:** <https://schema.org/url>

**Definition:** URL of the agency's website

**Implementation:** O, R

**Value Space:** Must be a URL.

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**Element Name:** Vaccination

**Element Label:** vaccination

**Definition:** details whether the cat has received any vaccines.

**Implementation:** O, R

**Comment:** This element should state the name of the vaccine received followed by the date received, in ISO 8601 format.

**Value Space:** controlled; rule

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**Element Name:** With Agency

**Element Label:** withAgency

**Definition:** The agency where the cat can be adopted from, or that a foster parent is associated with. This element links *Cat* or *Foster* records to *Agency* records.

**Implementation:** M

**Value Space:** local authority file

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**Element Name:** With White

**Element Label:** withWhite

**Definition:** For cats with white coloring, what type of coloring they have.

**Implementation:** O

**Comment:** This element should be included for any cat with the value “with white” in the *pattern* element.

**Value Space:** controlled list

<b>Value:</b>	<b>Definition:</b>
mitted	White paws, also may be on belly and chin
bowtie	White patch on the chest
tuxedo	Black with white patches, usually on chest, belly and paws.
bi-color	White and another color in similar amounts. Between mitted and van.
van	Primarily white, with some other color