



Calorie Needs for an Average Healthy Adult Cat in Ideal Body Condition*

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Weight (kg)	Weight (lb)	Kilocalories/day
1.0	2.2	100-130
1.5	3.3	130-150
2.0	4.4	160-170
2.5	5.5	180-190
3.0	6.6	200-210
3.5	7.7	215-230
4.0	8.8	225-250
4.5	9.9	240-270
5.0	11.0	250-290
5.5	12.1	260-310
6.0	13.2	265-330
6.5	14.3	275-350
7.0	15.4	280-370

***Note:** These recommendations are for guidance only. Cats are individuals and some may have higher or lower requirements in order to maintain an ideal, trim body condition.

Reference calculations used: 2006 NRC Daily Maintenance Energy Requirement for Cats.

Lean Adult: $100 \text{ kcal} \times \text{BW}_{\text{kg}}^{0.67}$

Obese-prone Adult: $130 \text{ kcal} \times \text{BW}_{\text{kg}}^{0.4}$

