



The four reasons why I only accept clients who want to give their cats a daily visit.

A trapped cat - Cats can and do get trapped; inside cupboards and closets, behind appliances and furniture, etc. If they wear collars inside the house, those can get caught in many ways and places around the home. These risks can cause their food, water, or litter to be unreachable. Being trapped causes significant stress and maybe even physical injury or suffering. A daily visit, even for a shy cat, is essential so someone can physically see them and make sure they are okay.

As a side note, many "shy" cats are not that shy once left alone. They often seek contact after a day or two of being alone, even if it's only to see you and hear your voice.

A sick cat - When you have the same professional pet sitter, who knows your cats and their personalities, they can spot when a cat is not acting normally. Going days between visits may be the difference between a cat that gets needed help or one that suffers. Cats can choke on toys or hairballs, experience intestinal obstructions, get infections from catfights, or get into poisons or medications around the house.

A change of environment - Many pet sitters have gone into homes to find pets seriously distressed for many reasons. We find flooding from broken pipes, leaking water heaters, or toilets. We come across home invasions leaving windows or doors open or broken. We find air conditioning and heating systems that have stopped working. Often pets experience significant fear from big storms, fireworks, or alarms and smoke detectors going off.

Prolonged periods alone - Households with a single cat, an older cat, an unhealthy cat, or one that's used to someone in the home much of the time can be incredibly stressed being alone. Regular visits help them get the reassurance they need.