Just as we need to visit the dentist, your cat needs to visit your veterinarian to get his teeth checked, too. Taking care of your cat's teeth is the best way to ward off dental pain and disease.

### 6-12 MONTHS

Professional dental evaluations should be performed by your veterinarian every 6-12 months, and will involve a general examination and possibly x-rays and cleaning.

### CAUSE FOR CONCERN

You should seek professional dental care if your cat has:

- A foul odor coming from his mouth (bad breath)
- Painful areas around his mouth or he refuses to eat
- Only chews on one side of his mouth, or drops food while eating
- Tartar (hard deposits of material that forms on teeth at the gum line)
- Abnormally red gums
- Excessive drooling
- Grinding teeth

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