

Medical Diet Donations – Can We Use Them?

Any of the following types of prescription food, the SPCA regularly uses. It must be <u>unopened</u> and no more than a few weeks past its expiration date.

- Cats
 - $\circ \quad \text{Purina OM}$
 - Urinary diets (e.g. Hill's c/d, Royal Canin Urinary SO)
- Dogs
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 - o GI diets (e.g. Purina EN, Hill's i/d, Royal Canin Gastrointestinal)
 - Weight management diets (e.g. Purina OM, Hill's w/d)
 - Hypoallergenic diets (e.g. Purina HA, Hill's z/d, Royal Canin Selected Protein, Royal Canin Hydrolyzed Protein)

All other prescription diets that are <u>unopened food and not long past expiration</u> such as kidney diets, diabetic diets, and hypoallergenic diets for cats, etc. can still be given to the SPCA. Most of these diets are used as part of our Community Initiatives Program to give to other rescues and shelters in need.

In general, the SPCA is unable to accept opened food (prescription or non-prescription) or anything that is significantly past its expiration date for health and safety regulations.