ADOPT-A-PET PET RESCUE ***CAT*** ADOPTION APPLICATION FORM

**PREAMBLE: Introduction to Adoption Application**

We ask that you complete this application in full, after you have considered all aspects of

whether or not the cat you are applying for is an appropriate cat for you... for life.

***This is a fillable Microsoft Word document. Please complete all areas highlighted in grey on your computer and email to us as a Microsoft Word attachment. Do not scan or use skydrive (or similar.) If you are unable to use Microsoft Word, please contact us for an alternate format.* Applications which are not complete will not be reviewed or considered. *Thank you.***

I understand and will comply with:

* the adoption policies as laid out on your website
* everyone who lives in our home must attend the initial viewing
* everyone who lives in our home must agree to the adoption
* Rescue does not complete same day adoptions for the welfare of the cats , without a pre-completed Home visit.
* I may have to housetrain or train my pet, which requires time and patience
* The foster parents of the cat I am interested in, as well as the founder and coordinator of this rescue, will review my completed application.

*This comprehensive application has been developed by cat care professionals and rescue volunteers in order to ensure the cat you are interested in is a potential match for you and your family before visitations begin*.

**SECTION 1: Contact Information**

Date:

Applicant(s) Name:

Address:-Street -

 : City -

Home Phone Number:

Cell Phone Number:

Home email:

Bus email:

**SECTION 2: Adoptive Family Profile**

How long at current address? 1 year 2 years 3 years 4 years 5+ years

*If less than 5 years, please also answer next two questions:*

*Previous (Full) Address*

*Time at Previous Address*  1 year 2 years 3 years 4 years 5+ years

How many times have you moved in the last 5 years?

*Are you planning on moving in the next* - 1 year 2 years 3 years 4 years

Is your home a house or an apartment?

Do you own or rent  *(If renting please answer next question)*

Have you obtained approval to adopt this pet ?

Landlord contact name:

Contact number:

How many people reside in your home?

Who will be responsible for taking care of the cat?

Are there any children in the home? yes / no

*If yes, what are their ages?*

*If yes, are the kids used to living with and respectful of pets?* yes / no

*If yes, describe their typical behaviour with pets?*

Do you have children visiting your home? yes / no

Ages:

Frequencythat they visit

Are they experienced with pets ? yes / no

Describe how children and guests in your home are to interact with cats:

*While they are eating* **-**

*While they are resting -*

*While they are playing with toys* **-**

*How do they generally greet cats*

Are there any babies expected in the near or distant future for the household? yes / no

When is your next anticipated vacation/trip? How long will you be away?

Where will your pet be? Who will be caring for your pet?

**ALLERGIES:**

Does anyone in the home have cat allergies or does anyone that visits your home a lot? yes / no / unsure

 *If yes, what symptoms do they display?*

*If unsure, have you ever exposed this friend/family member to pets for more than a day?*

*Or*

*Have they pet-sat for someone that has a similar breed to the cat you are applying for ?* yes / no

**PET OWNERSHIP:**

My experience with cats is …

Do you have any other pets – dog or cats right now? yes / no

*List them by name, age, sex, size (and if fixed or not), and how long they have lived with you:*

Are they indoor or outdoor pets? Indoor / outdoor

Do your current pets get along with cats of all sizes and breeds? yes / no

*If no, describe*:

Have your existing pets displayed any of the following behaviours with/ towards humans or other pets /cats (check all that apply)

Dominance

Aggression

Fear

Possessive of food/toys/space

Protective of you/your family

Stress due to change within the home

Stress due to visiting people/ other pets

Have you had any other cats in the past? yes / no

*If yes, please list them below by name and pet type,size, age at death, sex (fixed or not), indoor/outdoor & cause of death (i.e. euthanasia, natural causes, poisoning etc).*

Have you ever given up any of your pets (re-homed)? yes / no

*If yes, when & why?*

Have you ever returned an adopted pet ? yes / no

If yes when and why ?

Have any of your cats ever been picked up by animal control or have you been warned/ spoken to by animal control?

yes / no

 *If yes, when and why?*

Have you ever been ordered to confine or euthanize a pet by the authorities?  yes / no

 *If yes, when and why?*

Do you wish to adopt this cat as a gift? yes / no

 *If yes, for whom and their relationship to you?*

Do you have any viewings or interviews set up elsewhere? yes / no

*If yes, where?*

Have you ever been declined a pet adoption from anyone? yes or no

*If yes, why?*

Have you ever returned an adopted pet? yes / no

*If yes, why?*

Do you have ANY questions about our policies? yes / no

*If yes, what are they?*

How did you hear about our Rescue?

*Please note here if you have spoken to/met one of our volunteers or attended a Rescue event and give name of the volunteer and event:*

**SECTION 3: Preferences**

Name of Cat Applied for :

Does anyone have concerns or hesitations about adopting this cat? yes / no

 *If yes, what are they?*

Fur-length preference:

Age preference:

Gender Preference: Male / female

Why do you want a cat, in general?

 Why are you applying for this cat specifically?

What traits and behavior expectations are you expecting in a newly adopted cat (i.e. good with dogs/cats/kids, vocal/quiet, playful, attentive, etc.)?

What qualities or behaviours do you find unacceptable in a cat?

What is your time frame for adopting a cat?

**SECTION 4: Veterinary & Health Care Profile**

Do all of your current cats have full (Combo with rabies/ leuko )- (combo and rabies)-(rabies only ) vaccinations and flea treatments?

Yes or no

If you use a holistic method : *Please describe holistic method:*

Please provide your

Vet’s Name

Address:

 City:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

Under what name(s) are the pets’ records?:

May we contact them if your application is approved for a viewing or adoption? yes / no

*I accept the above terms by answering yes and hence, I authorize the veterinarian listed above and their agents to release to Adopt-a-Pet cat Rescue Lucknow any information pertinent to evaluating my history of cat ownership.*

What are your monetary expectations for the pet’s care for the first year (see examples below)?

Please list actual expected expenses and costs:

Food: $

Flea/Tick/Mange prevention: $

Heartworm prevention: $

De-worming: $

Vaccinations: $

Treats: $

Emergency Veterinary Care*( e.g. vomiting, chronic diarrhea, injuries, etc.)* $

Grooming: *(e.g. brushes, shampoo, or grooming fees)* $

Other:  **$**

Total $

What do you plan on feeding the cat? brand of food ?

If a special diet were required in the future would you be willing to pay the extra price? yes / no

*Food brand & name:*

*If yes, what if any amount would you consider being excessive?*

Do you plan on using the raw food diet? yes / no

If the cat becomes seriously ill or injured and your veterinarian says expensive medical treatment is needed, what will you do?

Is there a dollar amount that you feel is too much to spend for an emergency or necessary medical treatment (e.g. surgery)? $

If your cat became terminally ill and could not be helped by further medical treatment how would you proceed?

What methods would you consider to end your pet’s life? *(when euthanasia is recommended by a veterinarian or otherwise required)*

Do you plan on continuing flea and ear mite prevention once a month from April - October every year? yes / no

*If yes, what will you use?*  Eg; Revolution/ Advantage Multi/ Hart/ Tixmix/ or other ? – Please list.

**SECTION 5: Cat Lifestyle Care Profile**

How much time are you willing to commit daily to your pet?

Where will your cat usually be?

How much time do you think this cat will require for grooming:

How much time can you dedicate to grooming?

Please describe how the grooming regimen for this cat will change between the seasons

*Wintertime:*

*Summertime:*

Where would this cat be when you are out of the home during the day? And the night?

*During the day:*

*…And at night:*

Where would this cat be when you are at home during the day? And the night?

*During the day*

*…And at night:*

What would a day in the life of your cat be like? *Please describe your preferred routine (i.e. waking up, breakfast, play-time- interaction etc.)*

Is your home safe of hazards that a cat could get into ? yes / no

If no what things will you do to prepare your home.?

Does the home provide suitable space for wandering/ play relaxation ?

Do you have a fenced yard? yes / no

How high is it and what is it made of?

Will the cat have access to this? When and how ?

Do you or your landlord use fertilizers or pesticides on your lawn or garden? yes / no / NA

**Please note it is now illegal to purchase chemical lawn and garden fertilizers for private use in Ontario***.*

How far do you live from the road?

Do you have a swimming pool? yes / no

*If yes, is it fenced so the cat cannot access it?* yes / no

Do you understand that it may require more than a month for your cat to be fully settled? yes / no

Are you prepared to provide the cat as much time as it requires to settle in and relax? yes / no

How long do you expect it to take for the cat to be settled?

How much time will you give the cat to settle?

How long would you give the pet before returning to rescue.?

**SECTION 6: Training Profile**

If indoors, will there be rooms / areas are off limits to the cat (example: kitchen)? yes or no

*If yes, what method will you use to keep the cat out of the undesired areas?*

Have you ever successfully litter trained a cat before? yes / no

Describe the process of how you will litter train .

How would you correct the cat if it goes to the bathroom in an inappropriate place?

Do you feel showing or exposing an cat its waste is appropriate? yes / no

How would you prevent the cat from chewing on items?

What would you give a teething cat to relieve it’s discomfort? ( kittens only )

How would you deal with a behaviour problem? e.g. –on or scratching furniture/ on counters.

What would you do if the undesirable behaviour continued?

What arrangements will you make for your cat while on vacation? *If being boarded, where specifically would it go?*

When traveling in a vehicle would they be confined to a pet carrier or loose ??

Will you be able to keep the cat under all circumstances? yes / no

*If no, under what circumstances would you NOT be able to keep this cat?*

Check the boxes as appropriate for each situation listed on the left:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ***Situation*** | ***willing to work through*** | ***might prompt me to re-home*** | ***not willing to work on*** | ***doesn’t matter*** |
| got too big |  |  |  |  |
| new baby |  |  |  |  |
| rough with kids |  |  |  |  |
| destructive chewing |  |  |  |  |
| jumping up on counters |  |  |  |  |
| Digging in plants |  |  |  |  |
| shedding |  |  |  |  |
| housetraining errors |  |  |  |  |
| territorial marking |  |  |  |  |
| aggressive |  |  |  |  |
| biting |  |  |  |  |
| growling |  |  |  |  |
| scratches furniture |  |  |  |  |
| gets into garbage |  |  |  |  |
| reaction to strangers |  |  |  |  |
| health problems |  |  |  |  |
| separation anxiety |  |  |  |  |
| loss of job |  |  |  |  |
| moving to a place that will not allow them |  |  |  |  |
| extended family moving into your home |  |  |  |  |
| old pet does not like the new pet |  |  |  |  |
| new pet doesn’t like old pet |  |  |  |  |
| divorce |  |  |  |  |
| having financial problems |  |  |  |  |

If the cat were no longer suitable for your lifestyle, what would you do first? *(example: if you suddenly relocated or had other drastic lifestyle changes that made it hard to keep your pet, what would you do?)*

**SECTION 7: If this adoption is approved…**

Would you plan on changing the cat’s name? yes / no

*If yes, to what?*

Do you plan to have the cat declawed? yes / no

Would you have the cat micro-chipped (if not already)? yes / no

Are you familiar with your local animal control by laws requiring pets to be licensed every year? Yes or no

How many cats are you permitted to own in your municipality?

When would you advise Pet Rescue of the issues on the left (please check all that apply):

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | ***ASAP*** | ***After seeing a professional*** | ***If it cost******money*** | ***If the cat is terminally ill*** | ***I wouldn’t inform the rescue*** |
| Health concerns |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aggressiveness |  |  |  |  |  |
| Changes in behavior |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unacceptable behavior |  |  |  |  |  |

What would your first few days with the new cat consist of?

Are you willing to keep in touch regarding the cat’s health and progress? yes / no

How many times during the 1st year will you feel notify us of the pet’s progress?

Are you willing to send us email and address and phone number changes over the pets lifetime ? yes / no

Would you allow a follow-up visit from a representative of Pet Rescue? yes / no

Do you feel that Pet Rescue should be contacted if the cat is being given up for any reason? yes / no

Do you feel that Pet Rescue should be contacted if the cat is lost? yes / no

Do you feel that Pet Rescue should be contacted if the cat is slated for euthanasia? yes / no

From the following list - what issues do you feel you need more info on and would educate yourself/ seek help from a trainer with as needed ?

Do you have a trainer you know and can access ?

If not would you like a referral ?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Check any that apply | ***Yes*** | ***No*** |
| Integration |  |  |
| Housetraining |  |  |
| Changes in behavior /Adjustment |  |  |
| Intro’s to pets |  |  |
| Children and new pets |  |  |
| Vaccinations |  |  |
| Microchipping |  |  |
| Other  |  |  |

If other Please indicate what:

\*\* Please note we have additional training information/ links for issues on our main site [www.adoptapet.lucnkow.on.ca](http://www.adoptapet.lucnkow.on.ca) under the “MORE” tab- then “HELPFUL INFO”

*THE FOLLOWING 4 QUESTIONS ONLY APPLY TO CATS THAT ARE*

*TOO YOUNGTO BE FIXED BEFORE THEY LEAVE OUR CARE.*

to inquire at vetenery survices

1. When and where will you have this kitten fixed?

Animal Hospital Name:

Animal Hospital Phone:

Elapsed time from adoption to “fix” date:

2. Will you be able to be with the kitten for the day of and following the procedure? yes no

3. How much do you expect this to cost? $

4. Are you willing to send us a receipt for proof via mail? yes no

Adoption Form Authenticity Agreement

It is my intention to integrate any cat I may adopt into my home and life as a pet and companion. I understand that adoption entails a commitment to provide responsibly for the cat's needs for the rest of its life. I am over age 18, and I am ready to make this commitment.

I am aware that my cat may live 15 or more years, that a pet's basic needs alone cost hundreds of dollars per year, and that my cat will require time each day for training, grooming, exercise, and interaction.

*By typing my name below, I certify that the above information is true. I understand that false information will be cause for denial of this application and that Pet Rescue reserves the right to deny any adoption for the sake of the cat's welfare.*

Name :

Date:

*The following are optional to help our rescue continue to help other cats:*

1. Do you wish to be notified of any upcoming events? yes / no

2. Do you know of/have a site where we can advertise events and sell raffle/event tickets? yes / no

3. Do you know of/have a company that would be interested in sponsoring an ad for us?

 yes / no

1. Do you have a craft/ specialty item that you may be able to make/ donate to rescue for fundraising events ?

 yes / no

*If you answered yes to any of the above, please note the question number and necessary details and/or contact information here:*