

Adoption Questionnaire



Animal Refuge Center

Today's Date: / /

Thank you for your interest in the Animal Refuge Center and our animals. We would like you to answer the questions below so that we may make sure that this adoption is in the best interest of both you and the pet.

- 1) Adopting a pet means a lifetime of commitment - like having a new addition to the family. Felines can live as long as 14 to 20 years, dogs up to 20 years. Are you ready and willing to make this commitment? _____
 - 2) Will the pet be kept indoors or outdoors? If you have a fenced-in yard, please indicate so. _____
 - 3) Your current living arrangements are house/apartment/condo/duplex/other? _____
 - 4a) If you rent/own an apartment or condo, are pets allowed? _____
 - 4h) Please list the name of the apartment or condo complex, and the name and address of your landlord.

 - 5) Have you ever had a pet(s) before? _____
 - 6) If you answered yes, what happened to your pet? Please indicate if you still have the pet now. _____

 - 7) Are you military? Yes ___ No ___ Do you place your pets in a new home whenever you PCS, or ship them with you? Place them elsewhere ___ Where? _____ Ship them with family _____
 - 8) Any allergy to pets: Yes ___ No ___
 - 9) Please list the reason you want to adopt a pet: watchdog, companion, family pet, child's pet, companion for other pet, other. _____
 - 10) If you currently have pets, please indicate below if spayed or neutered, received all shots, and if pet is declawed (cat).

 - 11) Please list the name and address of your current veterinarian _____

 - 12) How many people live in your household? _____
 - 13) How many children do you have and what are their ages? _____

 - 14) Do you agree to provide this pet with the proper veterinary care, food, water, shelter, and tender loving care? _____
 - 15) Do you understand that the pet you adopt is non-transferable? ___ In the event things don't work out with your adopted pet for any reason, the pet must be returned to the Animal Refuge Center, not given away nor turned in to Animal Control. I understand this clause: _____ (Initials of Adopter)
 - 16) If adopting a puppy or kitten, do you agree to spay or neuter the pet at the appropriate age? _____ (The adoption fee includes a spay/neuter certificate. Kittens and puppies can be altered at between four and six months - we REQUIRE this for all adoptions due to pet overpopulation problems in our area!)
 - 17) Do you understand that a follow-up call(s) may be made after approximately one month from the adoption to ensure that you and the pet are getting along well? _____
 - 18) Do you understand that you shall be personally responsible for the humane care and control of the animal and agree that the Animal Refuge Center's Executive Director is allowed to see the animal at any reasonable time? _____
- Signature _____ Address _____ -
_____ Phone: _____

We ask that you please list two personal references.

Social Security No: _____

Thank you for your cooperation.

For Office Use Only:

Notes: _____

Reference checked: _____

Veterinarian checked: _____

Driver's License: _____



Congratulations on your decision to adopt a companion animal from the Animal Refuge Center, Inc. We wish you and your new friend a long and happy life together. Please remember that the addition of your new pet will be an adjustment to all members of your family. We ask that you allow time for this — your patience will be rewarded.

Please take time to look over this contract. Changing times and situations have created the necessity of tightening our rules and regulations regarding our adoption policies. Please understand that this is for the welfare of both you, the new pet owner, as well as these animals we have worked so hard to care for.

Owning a pet carries with it a great deal of responsibility, and your new companion will look to you for tender loving care, shelter, plenty of food and fresh water. We are always available for consultation if questions arise.

The Adopter agrees to the following:

- 1) Under no circumstances will this cat or dog be sold, given away, declawed or sold to any pet shop, relinquished to any other shelter, animal control, kill shelter or other pet disposal facility, research laboratory or similar facility. If, for any reason, you are unable to keep your pet or it does not work out, this contract binds you to agree to return him/her to ARC. We appreciate an appointment before you return the animal. Do not dump the animal and allow it to wander the property.
- 2) This cat or kitten should be kept indoors and not allowed to roam freely outside. If a dog, it should be provided proper food, shelter, and a safe fenced-in yard if available, or given the option of being an indoor/outdoor pet.
- 3) The Animal Refuge Center, Inc. routinely takes responsibility for the spay/neuter of the animals in its care. However, if adopted unaltered as a pet, the Adopter agrees to castrate or spay this animal by the age of 6 months, or within 30 days after adoption and agrees and guarantees that this animal will NOT be used for stud or breeding. Because of previous problems, your pet will most likely be altered prior to adoption. The Animal Refuge Center deals with daily heartache from the out-of-control pet overpopulation problem in Hardin Co. and will take a dim view of anyone bringing in puppies or kittens born from an animal that they adopted from us.
- 4) If this animal is found in neglect or mistreated, the Adopter will SURRENDER said animal to the Animal Refuge Center, UNCONDITIONALLY.
- 5) The Animal Refuge Center agrees to provide all papers for this animal, if any, as well as vaccination records upon adoption.
- 6) NO CASH REFUNDS.
- 7) The Animal Refuge Center is able to make no guarantees as to the health or quality of this animal, except as follows:

8) This animal is being fed:

9) Other conditions of adoption are as follows: _____

The Adopter's signature indicates full agreement of all above conditions.

Signature: _____

Date _____

Staff Signature: _____

Date _____

This is an online application form. The Adoption Contract must be filled out and mailed or brought in on the day your adoption is approved. Please print, fill out and mail the Adoption Questionnaire to:

**The Animal Refuge Center, Inc.
185 Basham Trail, PO Box 400
Vine Grove, KY 40175-0400**

Your references will be checked and your application processed upon receipt of these forms. Thank you for your interest in providing a loving, permanent home for one of our homeless pets.