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ADOPTION APPLICATION

It is **Feral Cat Rescue** (FCR) policy to attempt to place each of our rescued animals in a home that is well- suited to their needs. Once an animal is placed from our rescue, the animal cannot be sold, given away, or otherwise transferred. If the adopter is, at any time, unable to keep or continue to maintain the animal for any reason, the animal must be returned to FCR.

We work hard at matching our animals to adopters, so they may end their search for a loving, permanent home. Temperament, special needs, and personality are all factors in our placements.

Step #1 The Adoption Application

The initial step in our adoption process is the Adoption Application. The Adoption form must be filled out completely including vet information and two personal non-family references. Your application will be reviewed and your references will be contacted. We contact your veterinarian to ensure that your current or recently deceased pets were properly taken care of--- this means being current on all vaccinations and spayed or neutered. In order to speed up the process, please contact your veterinarian and let them know to expect our call.

Step #2 Personal Interview

You will be interviewed by a FCR volunteer either through phone, email, or in person. This is an opportunity to learn more specifics about you, your family, your pets and the type of pet you are looking for. At this time, we may suggest that you consider a different animal; one that we may feel might be more acceptable for your situation. If you are completing your application in person, this will most likely be done at that time of completion.

Step #3 The Home Visit

If all goes well with the application verification, we will schedule a home visit. A home visit is required to ensure that your home is everything you say it is on the Adoption Application. It needs to be a suitable safe environment for your new pet. All pets and family members should be home at this time.

Step #4 Meeting Your Potential Adoptee

Once the Application has been reviewed and all references checked, arrangements will be made for you to meet with the animal you wish to adopt.

Step #5 Finalizing the Adoption

Once the adoption has been approved, we will contact you to finalize the adoption. You will need to sign the contract and pay our adoption fee. At this time you can pick up your new member of the family!

Please Remember: Our entire organization is staffed by volunteers. We have NO paid staff. Our volunteers must work your application around their business and personal lives. It may take as long as one week for you to hear from someone, but typically most applications are approved within 7-10 days. Please be patient and thank the volunteers you meet for their service to our community's homeless pet population.

*FCR reserves the right to deny adoption to any applicant based on findings during our adoption process.
Submit application to: info@feralcatrescuemd.org or PO BOX 623, Great Mills, MD 20634*

Adoption Fee: \$125 * This donation goes back to our rescue program to allow us to provide care for other cats and kittens.
(* Fee may vary in special circumstances)

Name:	Date:	Breed:
Color:	Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	DOB:
If this animal is no longer available, are you interested in being considered for another animal? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		

Applicant's First Name:	Middle Name:	Last Name:	Date of Birth:
Street Address:			
City, State, Zip Code:		Email:	
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Co-Applicant's Name:	Middle Name:	Last Name:	Date of Birth:
Street Address (if different than above):			
Home Phone:		Email:	
Do you: <input type="checkbox"/> Own <input type="checkbox"/> Rent - If renting, does your lease/landlord allow pets? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Please provide your landlord's name and phone number:			
Landlord Name:		Landlord Phone:	
Please list all states and counties you lived in the past 10 years:			
Applicant's Employer:		Address:	
Position:		Phone Number:	
Co-Applicant's Employer:		Address:	
Position:		Phone Number:	
Please provide name, phone number and/or email address for two references (other than relatives):			
1 Name:		Relationship:	
Phone Number:		Email:	
2 Name:		Relationship:	
Phone Number:		Email:	

Please answer the questions on the following questions as completely as possible.

1. Please explain why you wish to adopt this animal:
2. What do you think are the most important responsibilities in owning an animal?
3. Does any member of the family have any allergies to animals? Yes No If yes, please explain:

4. Where will this pet be kept during the day? At night?
5. How many adults live in your household? Children? (List ages)
6. Is anyone home during the day? Who?
7. Who will be responsible for caring for this animal?
8. How many hours will this pet be alone on an average day?
9. How much do you estimate it will cost to care for this animal each year? Consider the cost of vet care, food, grooming, licensing, etc.
10. What kind of veterinary care do you intend to provide?
11. Please list the name and phone number of your veterinarian:
12. If you own cat(s), are they tested for FIV and FELV?
13. If a behavioral problem arises, such as clawing furniture or urinating outside of the litter box, what steps will you take to work on it?
14. List all the pets you have owned in the past five years:

Name	Type of Animal	Sex	Spayed/Neutered	Age	How long have you had the pet?	Indoors or outdoors?	Where is the pet now?
		<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
		<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
		<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
		<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
		<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				

15. If you move, what will you do with this animal?
16. Are you willing to take responsibility for this pet for the next 10-15 years?
17. Has a dog/cat ever been stolen, lost or die prematurely: Yes No If yes, please explain:
18. Has it ever been necessary to sell or give a pet away? Yes No If yes, please explain:

19. Have you ever surrendered a dog/cat to a shelter? Yes No If yes, please explain:

20. Have you ever euthanized a pet? Yes No If yes, please explain:

21. If you are unable to keep this animal, you will be responsible for ensuring its safe return to FCR. If living out of the area, all travel costs will be the adopter's responsibility. Are you willing to accept this responsibility? Yes No

Please read the following carefully

Cats and kittens shall be kept as inside pets only and should not be declawed.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this application. All applications will be carefully reviewed and you will be contacted if we have any additional questions. Please be patient while your application is reviewed. We strive to complete this stage as quickly as possible; however, please remember we are an all volunteer organization.

Our goal is to successfully place animals into homes where they will live permanently as a part of the family. We also strive to ensure that adoptive families receive animals that are best suited to their family. Our ultimate goal is to place the best animal with the best family, so that all will live happily ever after.

By signing below, I am attesting to the truthfulness of my answers. Falsification of any of the above information will be grounds for rejection of this application and possible removal of adopted cat or dog from my home. I consent to FCR representatives discussing information on this application with any persons named on this application. Applicants must be 18 years or older. FCR reserves the right to refuse any applicant for any reason. All completed applications become property of FCR.

I give FCR permission to fully investigate the information provided as well as contact veterinarians and related officials. If the application passes this review, I agree to a home visit on a mutually agreed date by a FCR representative before an adoption decision is made.

Furthermore, I understand and accept that the adoption decision depends upon many factors, including -- but not limited to -- the compatibility of the family and home to the individual animal and other applications received on the animal. I understand and accept that it is FCR's prerogative to decide which home is most appropriate for the individual animal, and therefore I will not take issue with the decision. Unless otherwise indicated by FCR, I may be considered for another animal.

Signature of Applicant:
(If emailing application, signature will be obtained at time of adoption)

Date:

Drivers License Number & State:
(Will be verified at time of adoption)

Signature of Co-Applicant:

Date:

Drivers License Number & State:
(Will be verified at time of adoption)

For Office Use:

Adoption Coordinator:

Phone Number:

Email address:

Approved Denied

Date: