

# AK S.P.C.A. Pet Adoption Center Cat Adoption Application

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(Please- print clearly, answer as much as possible and circle all applicable answers, thank you)

## Applicant Information

Cat of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a U.S. citizen? \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived at your current address? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you plan to move within the next year or two? Yes No

If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_ Where would you most likely move to? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide all applicable phone numbers and circle the best number to reach you during business hours:**

Phone Numbers - Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation (please be specific): \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you worked at your present job: \_\_\_\_\_

Who are you adopting for? \_\_\_\_\_ When did you decide to get a cat? \_\_\_\_\_

What's the reason you are adopting? \_\_\_\_\_

What qualities/personality traits are you looking for in a cat? \_\_\_\_\_

Cats need their claws for various reasons. Knowing this, do you plan to declaw the cat(s)? Yes No If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

Who will care for the cat if you travel? I will board them My Family My Friends It will travel with me I'm never gone for more than a day

**Knowledge** (There are many reasons why cats end up in a homeless shelter. Some of them include, abuse or neglect)

What is your experience level with cats? \_\_\_\_\_

How much time or attention do you think a cat needs? \_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us what you think the annual cost is to own a cat. Take into account for food, supplies, toys, annual wellness exam (which may include required or recommended tests and vaccinations), and funds for possible emergencies: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you understand the financial commitment of owning a pet? Yes No

Do you know that cats have a remarkable ability to suppress symptoms of illness, sometimes for weeks? This means they will appear healthy until they become stressed. A move to a new home might trigger any such illness. Are you prepared to deal with this if it happens? Yes No

Do you understand that you are applying for a homeless, rescued cat that may have a history of abuse or behavioral problems? Yes No

Do you understand that many of our homeless cats may have suffered trauma from living outside? Yes No

Do you understand that we cannot predict the behavior of any cat once it enters your home? Yes No

Do you understand that some of these cats have not had a stable environment and may have security issues which might result in a condition called separation anxiety and that it might result in destructive behavior when left alone? Yes No Are you prepared to deal with this if it happens? Yes No

## Household

Does anyone in your home object to any animal being spayed or neutered? Yes No Does everyone agree to the adoption of a new animal? Yes No

Has anyone in the home ever shown signs of being allergic to animals? Yes No Is there any family history of allergies to any animals? Yes No

Is anyone currently residing in the home planning to have a baby in the future? Yes No If yes, are they currently pregnant? Yes No

Does everyone in the home know the importance of keeping a cat inside? Yes No

Adults living in house: \_\_\_\_\_ Children living in house: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have any children that visit regularly? Yes No

## Pet History

Do you currently own any animals? Yes No If yes, please list all of them: \_\_\_\_\_

If you owned any other pets in the last 10 years, list them, how long you had them, and where they are now (ex: Fluffy, 12 years, passed away)

Have you ever taken an animal to Animal Control? Yes No If yes, why: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever given an animal away? Yes No If yes, why: \_\_\_\_\_

**Military** (Non military, skip this section)

Branch: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank/Pay Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ MOS: \_\_\_\_\_

When did you arrive? \_\_\_\_\_ Is this your last duty station? Yes No PCS date: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you married? Yes No Do both of you serve? Yes No Does your spouse know you are applying to adopt a dog? Yes No

Are you in transitional housing? Yes No Do you live on post? Yes No If yes, are you aware of the limited amount of animals your allowed? Yes No

How much time do you spend in the field? \_\_\_\_\_ Is it likely that you/your spouse would deploy? Yes No

How many animals do you currently have? \_\_\_\_\_ Where did you get them? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you have any animals at your last duty station? Yes No If yes, did you bring those animals? Yes No If no, why? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware that some states or countries have very long quarantine periods or won't allow certain breeds even if they are mixed? Yes No

Are you aware that most duty station housing only allows a limited number of animals and that this changes from station to station? Yes No

When you PCS are you going to take your animal(s) with you? Yes No How would you most likely travel? \_\_\_\_\_

**Environment Information**

Is your home; Rented Leased Owned Located on rented/leased property Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Renters/Leasers/Mobile home parks-you MUST have your landlord's approval to own an animal. (If you don't- we will dismiss your application)**

Landlords Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to let this cat be an indoor/outdoor cat? Yes No Where will the cat sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

The activity level of your home is: Quiet/Relaxed Occasionally busy Social/Frequent guests Noisy Busy children activity Travel frequently

How long will the cat(s) be alone each day? \_\_\_\_\_ Where will they stay during this time? \_\_\_\_\_

Circle all that best describes your street location? Busy main street City residential area Slight thru-traffic Rural country road Subdivision/Cul-de-sac

Next to school Next to major retail store Neighbors have children/Pets Busy walking/Running traffic Quiet

**Commitment Level**

Are you ready and willing to make a lifelong commitment to this animal which might last up to 15 years or longer? Yes No

**Should it become necessary, and I can't properly care for this animal, I will return it to the Alaska SPCA Pet Adoption Center - \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)**

**References/Miscellaneous** (list 2 personal references we may call -only one family member - we must be able to contact them or your application will be denied)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you hear about us? Our Website Petfinder Newspaper TV Past adopter Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Read Carefully**

I certify that all of the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Falsifications of any information or an incomplete application will be grounds for the immediate denial of this application without notice.

We reserve the right to reject any application in the best interest of the animal without explanation.

*We contact approved applications ONLY.*

**~Please note: completion of this application does *not* mean you have been approved for adoption~**

**Please sign:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_