

Second Chance Kitten Rescue Adoption Questionnaire



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Are you ready to Adopt?

Adopting a kitten is a wonderfully kind and heart-warming experience. However, before you succumb to falling in love with one, please ask yourself the following question: **“Do I really want all of the responsibilities that come with having a kitten?”** If you are not sure, then we encourage you to do some additional soul searching, reading, and research before making this decision. Adopting an animal requires a 10 to 20-year commitment on your part. It is best to know if you are truly ready.

We are here to help you select the best kitten for your lifestyle and needs based on our knowledge of the animal(s), and their needs, as well as our experiences and observations. It's not always as easy as saying, “I want THAT orange tabby.” Sometimes, we need to let the kitten choose us. We can also provide resources to help transition the kitten into your home smoothly and successfully.

Every kitten at Second Chance Kitten Rescue has already faced hardship.

Some were abandoned, others found alone and frightened on the streets. Many were picked up as strays and never claimed, or surrendered by people who could no longer care for them. Before their lives have truly begun, they've already endured more than most.

That's why we ask every potential adopter to be fully prepared—emotionally, physically, and financially. Welcoming a kitten means committing to their lifelong care: *annual* vet visits, *quality* food, litter, daily attention, boarding during vacations, and unexpected emergencies.

Did you know emergency vet bills can range from \$500 to \$5,000+? It's a wide and often unpredictable range. Are you financially ready to handle that if it happens?

These are important questions to reflect on. Because giving a kitten a second chance means being their forever safety net.

If you don't already have a cat at home, we strongly encourage you to consider adopting two kittens instead of one.

1. Why? Because kittens thrive with companionship. When you're busy, at work, or away on vacation, they'll keep each other company—playing, grooming, and curling up for naps together. They're especially active at night, and having a buddy helps them stay entertained while you sleep.
2. Just like humans need human connection, kittens need interaction with their own kind. It's not just about fun—it's about development. Through play and shared space, kittens learn how to communicate, set boundaries, and understand social cues. This helps prevent future behavioral issues like biting, hiding, or excessive shyness.
3. When kittens grow up with a feline friend, they're more confident, better adjusted, and often happier overall. And that makes them even more wonderful companions for you.

Today's Date _____

Your legal name _____

Year of birth: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Time at this residence? _____

Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Current employer _____ Occupation: _____ Work Hours _____

What year did you retire: _____ Occupation prior to retirement: _____

Partner / Spouse / Roommate's full name _____ Year of Birth _____



Please describe the type of cat you are interested in adopting.

Please select all that apply.

Age: ☐ Baby ☐ Young ☐ Adult ☐ Senior ☐ Special Needs

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Irrelevant

Claws: ☐ Declawed ☐ Not Declawed ☐ Irrelevant

Coloring: _____

Temperament: ☐ Playful ☐ Calm ☐ Easygoing ☐ Feisty ☐ Inquisitive ☐ Quiet
☐ Talkative ☐ Gentle ☐ Shy ☐ Cuddly ☐ Needy ☐ Sweet

What do you expect to spend annually on food, medical needs, vaccines, toys, beds, blankets, litter, etc? _____

Can you realistically commit to care for a new kitten for its whole life? Yes ☐ No ☐

What is your long term plan if you can no longer care for yourself or your pet(s)? _____

Are you financially prepared for emergency care when needed? _____

If the kitten became seriously ill and required costly veterinary care, that you can not afford, what would you do? _____

How will your new cat/kitten spend its days and nights? ☐ Indoors ☐ Outdoors ☐ Caged ☐ Loose ☐ Basement/Closed Room
☐ Porch ☐ Barn ☐ Garage ☐ Indoor Cat Condo
Other: _____

If you move where pets are not allowed, what will you do with this cat/kitten? _____

Who will be primarily responsible for providing daily care? _____

It may take a cat/kitten a month or longer, especially when other pets are involved, to adjust to its new home. How would you address this? _____

What will you do in the event of scratching the furniture? _____

Urinating outside the litter box? _____

Aggressive behavior? _____

Why do you want a cat? _____

Is there a specific cat or kitten you are interested in? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Kitten Name(s): _____ Description: _____

Information about yourself, your pets, and your home.

YOURSELF:

Number of adults? _____ Ages: _____ Number of children? _____ Ages: _____

Have your children lived with cats previously? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is anyone in your home allergic to cats? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you live in an: ☐ Apartment ☐ Condo ☐ Duplex ☐ Townhouse ☐ Single family ☐ Mobile home

Do you own or rent your home? ☐ Rent ☐ Own

If you rent, do you have written permission from your landlord to have a cat? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Landlords name _____ Landlord Telephone _____

What is your or your family's lifestyle currently like? ☐ Very Active ☐ Moderately Active ☐ Often Home



YOUR DOGS:

How many dogs do you currently have? _____ Ages: _____

Breed(s) _____

Where does your dog live? ☐ Inside ☐ Outside ☐ Indoors & Outdoors

If an inside dog, how many hours is your dog crated or kenneled when you are not home? _____

Does your dog get along with cats? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I am unsure

Where did you obtain the dogs from? ☐ Breeder ☐ Pet Store ☐ Stray ☐ Inherited ☐ Shelter / Rescue

Is your dog(s) spayed / neutered? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unsure

Is your dog(s) current on vaccines? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unsure

What is your plan to introduce your dog(s) to the new kitten(s)? _____

YOUR CATS:

How many cats do you have? _____ Ages: _____

If you do not currently live with cats, have you owned any cats in the past ten years? _____

What happened to them? _____

Are your cats declawed? ☐ No ☐ 2-Paws ☐ all 4-Paws Is your cat spayed/neutered? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do your cat(s) live: ☐ Indoors ☐ Indoors & Outdoors ☐ Outdoors ☐ Occasionally Outdoors

Any behavioral issues? _____

Any physical / Medical problems? _____

What does preventative care mean to you as a pet guardian? _____

Does your cat(s) get along with other cats? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I am unsure

How many hours is your cat left alone each day? _____

Where did you obtain your cats from? ☐ Breeder ☐ Pet Store ☐ Stray ☐ Inherited ☐ Shelter / Rescue

Is your cat current on its annual inoculations for Distemper and Rabies? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I am unsure

What is your plan to introduce your kitten(s) to the new kitten? _____

OTHER PETS: _____

Please list your pet's veterinarian.

Doctor's name _____

Phone _____

Clinic's name _____

City, State _____



1. What inspired you to adopt a kitten at this time? _____

2. Can you describe your daily routine and how a kitten would fit into it? _____

3. What arrangements will you make for your kitten when you travel or face unexpected life changes?

4. What does giving a kitten a second chance mean to you? _____

5. What do you believe animals need beyond food and shelter? _____

6. How do you define a "forever home"? _____

7. How do you plan to build trust with your new kitten, especially if they're shy or fearful? _____

8. What does responsibility mean to you when it comes to caring for a living being? _____

9. What does it mean to you to be chosen by a rescue animal? _____

10. Where will the kitten sleep, and will they have access to all areas of your home? _____



11. Where will the kitten sleep & will they have access to all of your home? _____

12. Who will care for the kitten if you're sick, injured, or unavailable? _____

13. Have you looked into pet insurance or emergency savings for unexpected costs? _____

14. What's your understanding of feline enrichment and how do you plan to provide it? _____

15. What behaviors do you expect from a kitten and how will you respond if they don't meet those expectations? _____

16. What would make you consider rehoming a pet, and how would you handle that decision?

17. How would you support a kitten who's slow to trust or shows signs of trauma?

18. What kind of emotional support do you hope to give—and receive—from your kitten?

19. If your kitten developed a lifelong condition, requiring 2 hours every AM and 2 hours every PM to care for them, how would that change your plans as a pet owner?



DO NOT write "unknown" or leave social media info blank

Facebook ID: _____

Instagram ID: _____

Twitter / X ID: _____

TikTok ID: _____

Second Chance Kitten Rescue requires three references for adoption consideration. For privacy purposes, this information is not shared with anyone outside of our organization. They must be relatives, who are not living with you or with each other. If left blank you will not be considered for adoption. They will ONLY be called if we cannot reach you, and you adopt a kitten that has not been altered and you have failed to follow through with their spay or neuter within the agreed timeframe. *****You must include their full name, current & complete address, and phone number*****

Reference: _____

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Have you or anyone residing with you been accused of or found guilty of ANIMAL neglect or abuse within the United States or any other country? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you or anyone residing with you been accused of or found guilty of HUMAN neglect or abuse within the United States or any other country? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please note that once we review your application we will reach out to you within 24 hours. If you are considered for a meet & greet, please bring a pet carrier and have access to Cash, PayPal or Zelle for your payment. We do not accept checks or any other forms of payment. All payments are considered donations and are tax deductible. See your accountant for additional questions regarding donations and taxes.

Second Chance Kitten Rescue reserves the right to approve or deny any application based on the organizations' criteria and requirements for adoption, as well as the organizations' presumed needs of the animals in our care. Completion of this application does not guarantee an approval nor does it place a hold on any kitten.

Application Information: All of the information I/we provided in this application is true and correct. I understand that any missing or inaccurate information could disqualify me and/or put me back to the bottom of the Meet & Greet appointment reservation list.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: by signing this document you are aware that upon entering the personal property where Second Chance Kitten Rescue is located, that you are entering at your own risk. Second Chance Kitten rescue is not liable for any form of injury you or your guest(s) may incur while you are visiting. You will also accept responsibility for your guest(s) who do not sign this form, in the event something happens to he/she while they are at Second Chance Kitten Rescue.

Due to the high volume of inquiries, we're unable to follow up individually about missing information. If you don't hear from us within 72 hours, it likely means your questionnaire was incomplete and we've moved forward with another applicant who provided all required details.

We appreciate your understanding and encourage you to double-check your submission before sending.

Upon completion of this application, please email it to: admin@secondchancekittenrescue.org

Date

Adopter #1 Printed Name

Signature

Date

Adopter #2 Printed Name

Signature