

BEFORE YOU SEND MONEY

KITTEN BUYER SAFETY CHECKLIST

Breeder: _____

Website: _____

Date checked: _____

CHECK EACH BREEDER YOU INVESTIGATE

- ☐ Verify the breeder independently—name, cattery, website, phone, email and location.
- ☐ Contact the relevant cat association directly to verify registration or membership claims.
- ☐ Speak with the breeder by telephone or live video. Be cautious if they refuse direct communication.
- ☐ See the actual cat or kitten live. When possible, see the mother and the cats' surroundings.
- ☐ Request current verification during a live video, such as today's newspaper or a live television broadcast.
- ☐ Compare photographs for consistent backgrounds and details. Watch for reused or inconsistent images.
- ☐ Reverse-search photos with Google Lens or another reputable image-search tool.
- ☐ Verify pedigree, registration and health/genetic records. Ask to see documentation, not just claims.
- ☐ Read the complete sales contract before sending a deposit or payment.
- ☐ Verify the payment recipient. Be cautious with wire transfers, gift cards, cryptocurrency or other difficult-to-recover payments.
- ☐ Never let pressure or a sudden deadline rush you into paying.
- ☐ If anything cannot be independently verified, STOP and do not send money.

MAJOR RED FLAGS

Stolen photos • refusal to provide live video • no verifiable identity • unusually low price • pressure to pay • inconsistent information • gift cards/wire transfers • sudden shipping, insurance, airport, customs or release fees.

INTERNATIONAL PURCHASES

International purchases may involve additional veterinary, government, airline, import and transportation requirements. Verify current requirements before purchasing. Transportation can sometimes approach or exceed the purchase price. PAWS N TIME does not purchase, sell, arrange, book or provide courier or shipping services.

If you intend to register an imported cat with another registry, contact that registry before purchasing. A four-generation pedigree may not contain all ancestry documentation required by another registry; additional certified pedigrees may be necessary.

WHEN IN DOUBT, STOP. Take your time and independently verify the breeder, cat, paperwork, payment and transportation arrangements.