



SMALL MAMMAL ADOPTION CONTRACT

SMALL PET SPECIES:

NAME: _____ **NUMBER:** _____
Rabbit / Guinea Pig / Chinchilla / Degu / Rat / Mouse / Hamster / Gerbil / Other

Why do I have to provide my personal information before meeting an animal?

Many of our animals arrived at the shelter because their former owners did not think through the responsibilities of owning a pet. We request that any potential adopters fill out initial information before meeting an animal so our staff can ensure that decisions to adopt are not based on an emotional response. This information will help us place the animals in suitable homes and we ask for your cooperation in the exciting process of bringing your new pet to you.

BETWEEN: THE TORONTO HUMANE SOCIETY (the "Society")
- and -

Last name: _____ **First name:** _____

Address: _____ **Apt. #:** _____

City: _____ **Postal code:** _____

Home tel. #: _____ **Business tel. #:** _____

E-mail address (Required): _____

In order to keep you informed about important campaigns and to ask for support, we will from time to time telephone, email and send mail to you. If you would prefer not to receive phone calls, emails or mail please check this box

ABOUT YOU

1. Please check the appropriate age category: under 18 ___ 18-24 ___ 25-29 ___ 30-44 ___ 45-65 ___ over 65 ___
2. Do you live in a house ___ apartment ___ condo ___
3. Do you: Own ___ Rent ___ Live with Family ___
If you rent, is your landlord aware that you are getting a Small Animal? Yes ___ No ___
4. In your household, number of: Adults (18+) ___ Children ___ Ages of children ___
5. Is everyone in your household aware you are adopting a Small Animal? Yes ___ No ___
6. Are you employed? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, what is your occupation? _____
7. Are there currently pets in your home? Yes ___ No ___
8. If yes how many? _____ what species, ages and sex? _____
9. Are your animal(s) spayed or neutered? Yes ___ No ___
10. Who is your veterinarian? _____
Is your veterinarian an exotics specialist? _____
11. Does anyone in your home or immediate family have animal allergies? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, to what species? _____
12. Does anyone in your home suffer from environmental allergies (grass/tree pollen, hay fever, etc.)? Yes ___ No ___
13. Has everyone in your home interacted with the species you intend to adopt? Yes ___ No ___

PAST EXPERIENCE

1. Have you ever owned one of these small pets before? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, how long ago? _____
2. What species did you own? _____
3. Were you the primary caregiver? Yes ___ No ___
4. How long did you own the small pet? _____
5. Where did the small animal live? Indoors ___ Outdoors ___ Both ___
6. Where did you get the small pet from? Pet store ___ Breeder ___ Shelter ___ THS ___
7. Where is the animal now? _____
8. Was your small pet spayed/neutered? Yes ___ No ___
9. Have you ever surrendered or given away an animal? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, why? _____

SMALL DOMESTIC QUESTIONS

1. How much time do you spend at home? _____
2. My Small Animal will be kept: Indoors ___ Outdoors ___ Both ___
Where in your home will your new pet be kept? _____
3. The noise/activity level in my home is usually: Low ___ Moderate ___ High ___
4. How long have you been thinking about getting a Small Animal? _____
5. What have you done to prepare for this small pet? _____
6. How often should this small pet see a vet? _____

7. What will it cost to have this small pet annually? _____
8. Do you currently have a cage/ pen/ setup? Yes _____ No _____
9. If yes, what are the dimensions? _____
10. What behaviour are you not able to accept from a Small Animal? _____
11. What will you do if this type of behaviour surfaces? _____
12. How will you let your new pet know s/he's doing something wrong? _____
13. What is the best diet for this small pet? _____
14. What is the best bedding for this small pet? _____
15. What is the reason you are adopting this small pet. _____
16. Are you going to let this small pet out of the cage/ pen? Yes _____ No _____
17. If yes, for how long per day? _____
18. Do you know how to introduce this small pet to the one you have at home? Yes _____ No _____
19. Are there any predators in your home? Yes _____ No _____
20. If yes, how will you ensure there will not be an accident? _____
21. Are you aware that this small pet will do better in a pair situation? Yes _____ No _____
22. What will you do when you go on holiday? _____
23. Do you intend to litter-train your Small Animal? Yes _____ No _____
24. What do you consider a medical emergency needing immediate attention? _____

INSURANCE

Small Mammals do not qualify for a free trial of Pet Insurance. The Toronto Humane Society will treat all medical care at the shelter associated with your pet for the first 48 hours post adoption. Should the animal become ill within the first 48 hours please call the shelter 416-392-2273 to arrange an appointment. Appointments will be admitted between the hours of 4pm to 6pm.

NO WARRANTY

The Society makes no warranties as to the animal you have adopted and you are fully aware that all of the information about our animals is based on observation within the shelter environment and/or information provided by a third party. Therefore, we cannot guarantee that the breed, age, behaviour or health listed is correct and consequently the Society is not responsible for any ill health, any veterinary expenses or costs of medications or treatment or diagnosis that you may incur after the 48 hours post adoption.

ADOPTION FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE

I herby certify that all the information contained in this adoption contract is true and accurate:

Dated at Toronto this _____ day of _____, 2011

INITIAL SCREENING: _____ ID CHECK PROOF OF HOUSING:

ADOPTION COUNCELOR SIGNATURE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ ADMINISTRATOR SIGNATURE: _____

Sample
 You must
 fill out
 contract
 on site