

Owner Surrender Form-Cat

Today's Date _____

Please fill out this form to the best of your ability. Your answers will help us get to know the animal and give us some background information. This will ensure that we are able to place him/her in a new home that is best matched with his/her personality and needs.



Owner's Information

Name: _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State: _____

Zip Code _____ Phone (____) _____ Date of Birth _____

Cat's Information-General

Name: _____ Breed _____

My cat is a: Male Female He/She is _____ old.

And is: Spayed Neutered Not Altered And is: Declawed Not Declawed

Why are you surrendering this cat? _____

How long have you had this cat? _____

Where did you get this cat? _____

Is this cat micro chipped? Yes No

Cat's Information- Medical

Has this cat bitten in the last ten days? Yes No

What vet clinic did the cat go to? _____

Whose name are the vet records under? _____

Does this cat have or has it had any known medical issues? No Yes, please explain:

Cat's Information-Behavioral

How would you describe your cat's behavior in general? (check all that apply)

Very Active (please explain): _____

Couch Potato (please explain): _____

Friendly w/ Family (please explain): _____

Friendly w/ Visitors (please explain): _____

Shy w/ Family (please explain): _____

Shy w/ Visitors (please explain): _____

Playful (please explain): _____

Talkative (please explain): _____

Quiet (please explain): _____

Affectionate (please explain): _____

Independent (please explain): _____

Dominant (please explain): _____

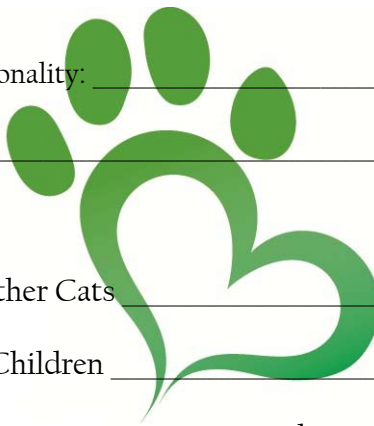
Destructive (please explain): _____

Please tell us a little more about your cat's personality: _____

How does this cat respond to:

Dogs _____ Other Cats _____

Strangers _____ Children _____



Has this cat ever lived with other animals? No Yes, what animals? _____

Did they get along well? No Yes, how did they interact? _____

Does this cat have any of the following behavioral issues **please explain where necessary**: (Please be honest, it will let us know what things we should work on with the cat)

Scratch furniture/other things Chew plants Chew electric cords Chew other: _____

Jumping up on counters, etc. Spraying Escaping outside Climbing Curtains

Aggression: _____

Biting: _____

Other: _____

Does this cat use the litter box? Yes No Sometimes

If sometimes, how often does the cat make mistakes? _____

How many litter boxes does the cat have access to? _____

Other comments about cat's behavior: _____

Cat's Information-Likes and Dislikes

What type of food do you feed this cat? _____

Is there any type of food/treat this cat particularly likes? _____

Does this cat enjoy:

- Being groomed? Yes No Comments: _____
- Being picked up? Yes No Comments: _____
- Being petted? Yes No Comments: _____
- Sitting in your lap? Yes No Comments: _____
- Being outside? Yes No Was never allowed outside

Does this cat use a scratching post? Yes No

Does this cat play with toys? No Yes, what type? _____

What kind of litter does this cat like? (check all that apply) Clumping Clay Sand-like
Scented Unscented Other: _____

What type of litter box did this cat use? Covered Uncovered Other: _____

Is there something this cat particularly likes (in general)? _____

Other Information

What type of home do you think would be best for this cat in the future? _____

Would it be okay if the new adopters of this cat contacted you in the future? Yes No

Please take some time to tell us anything else about this cat that you think future adopters would like to know:

**POLICY STATEMENT- ANIMALS RECEIVED FROM OWNERS
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

Please understand that you completely give up the ownership and all rights to this animal when you surrender it to the ECCHA. Once the animal is surrendered, we will decide if we can place the animal up for adoption. Ideally we would like to place all animals in new homes however we cannot guarantee that a new home will be found for this animal. Animals surrendered to the ECCHA will be examined and temperament tested by our staff soon after they are received to determine if they are suitable for adoption. Animals might not be placed for adoption if:

- They are under the age of 8 weeks or pregnant. Animals between the ages of 7-8 weeks will be considered if they are robust. At this critical stage of their development, young animals are highly susceptible to disease and stress. Animals born into the shelter environment are also highly susceptible to illnesses.
- They are over the age of 8 yrs. Animals over the age of 8 yrs often do not adjust well to kennel environment. They tend to experience separation anxiety from their owners, depression, and difficulties in adapting to a new home.
- They are in poor health or physical condition. Many diseases are easily transferred to other animals. One sick animal may infect all the animals in our shelter. Other health conditions or illnesses may be too much for new adopters to take on that financial commitment or burden.
- The animal is a hybrid. Domestic dogs or cats mixed with wild animals are often unpredictable, unstable and not able to be vaccinated. Therefore the shelter cannot put them up for adoption.
- The animal has behavior issues. Animals that have aggression or social issues that are unsafe to handle pose a risk to staff, other animals and the public. They also put a higher level of stress on other animals at the shelter.
- The cat has litter box issues.
- The animal is suffering from stress due to being placed in a kennel environment-
- There is not enough cage space available for the animal.

Those animals not placed for adoption will be humanly euthanized (put to death) by a painless injection of sodium pentobarbital after they are examined and we have determined we have no other options for them. **THE ECCHA WILL NOT CALL YOU BEFORE THAT ANIMAL IS EUTHANIZED.**

For animals available for adoption there is NO set holding period, it may take an hour, a day, a week or longer. Once an animal is placed for adoption its condition is continuously evaluated. An animal will be euthanized from our adoption area if there is a change in its physical condition or temperament which makes it unadoptable or if our kennels become overcrowded. If you wish to inquire as to the disposition of an animal you surrendered, please do so by calling the shelter.

Signature _____ Date _____