

Stipulations for Adopting Domestic Rabbits from Animal Services of Richmond/Richmond Wildlife Center:

- 1. Rabbits must be indoors only.
- 2. Rabbit must get a minimum of 30 hours of uncaged time/week.
- 3. Rabbits may not, under any circumstances, be declawed.
- 4. Indoor rabbits live an average of 8 10 years. We are looking for those special adopters who will make every effort possible to keep their companion for their entire life despite life style changes (divorce, moving, etc.)
- 5. Rabbits may not be adopted as gifts. All members of a household should visit with us to meet the prospective rabbit and apply for adoption.
- 6. Rabbits will not be placed in a home where there is an unneutered or unspayed rabbit.
- 7. We do not adopt rabbits to children. We DO adopt rabbits to families.
- 8. Parents/adults must fill out this application and sign the adoption contract. Please do not have your children call or email.
- 9. Primary caregiver MUST be an adult.
- 10. Applicants who are under 18 yrs of age or who are living with parents must have a parent or legal guardian apply on their behalf.
- 11. Renters must have landlord approval.
- 12. There is an adoption fee for each rabbit. We must collect a fee to help offset the cost of the medical, surgical, and nutritional care and supplies we provide to each rabbit. Our adoption fee is far less than the costs we incur for each rabbit. We make an effort to set reasonable adoption fees. Please be prepared to pay the fee upon pickup of your rabbit.
- 13. Please understand all rabbits do not fit all situations. We will only suggest rabbits to you we feel will thrive with the set up you have to care for the rabbit.
- 14. We do not ship rabbits. Transport services provided by our volunteers are extremely limited to unavailable. Please be prepared to pick your rabbit up from our center. Please bring appropriate carriers for the rabbit to go home in. Placing a rabbit in the back of a pick-up truck is not permissible. If you're not sure how to best transport your new family member please ask us and we can give you solutions. We do <u>not</u> loan crates.
- 15. We do not adopt rabbits out for the purposes of breeding, selling, or food consumption. No exceptions.
- 16. All of our rabbits are healthy and are examined by a licensed veterinarian and wildlife rehabilitator before they are cleared for release. If they have any special needs we will discuss this with you in full detail upon adoption and pick-up.

The Process for Applying:

- 1. Please be prepared to pay the required adoption fee upon pick-up of your new family member. Rabbits cannot be relinquished until all necessary paperwork has been approved and the adoption fee paid.
- 2. Fill out the adoption application completely. Applications that are incomplete will not be reviewed.
- 3. Applications must be sent in with habitat photos in order to be reviewed. Photos must include the housing you have for the rabbit and other living quarters they will have such as a free-roam space, toys, etc. Photos should be emailed or sent via US Mail to us.
- 4. Someone will contact you should we have additional questions.
- 5. Once your completed application has been reviewed by our executive director and approved, you will receive notification of your approval.
- 6. Once your application is approved you will be contacted to discuss pick-up.

If you have any questions, please ask. We look forward to working with you!

Adoption fee for Domestic Rabbits: \$50.00



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Rabbit Adoption Application

All applications must be filled out, signed, and emailed, faxed, or mailed to us. In order to become an adoptive parent for an Animal Services of Richmond, Inc animal, you must complete our screening requirements, a phone screen, and where applicable a home visit. You will be contacted by phone or email as soon as we have reviewed your application.

We must also see photos of the housing where rabbits will be kept. Photos must include cage, toys, food dispensing supplies, free-roam area, etc. Photos should be emailed to healanimals@gmail.com

Rabbit you are interested in:	
Name:	
Email:	
Mailing Address: City/State/Zip:	
Home Phone:	
Cell Phone:	
Driver License Number:	
I am over 21 years of age Y N	
Property Address where rabbits will be kept (if different):	
City/State/Zip:Are you adopting this rabbit(s) to be kept on your property? Y N	
Are you adopting this rabbit(s) to be kept on your property? \(\subseteq \text{Y} \subseteq \text{N} \)	
Which rabbit would you like to adopt and why?	
Spouse/Significant other/Roommate Name:	life Center
volunteer? Y N	me demen
Do you currently have any rabbits? Y N If yes, how many and what breed?	

How long have you had each rabbit?
What other animals do you have? (Be specific)
Does any member of your family have any known allergies to animals? Y N If yes, please describe?
Do you have experience caring for rabbits? Please explain.
What type of housing do you have available for the rabbits you plan to adopt? Please explain.
What do you feed your rabbits? Be Specific.
Are you interested in adopting a rabbit for breeding purposes? Y N
Do you raise any animals for food, plan to raise any rabbits your adopting or their offspring for food?
Are you aware that exotic pet medicine can be very expensive should your rabbit get sick? Y N If your rabbit does become ill, will it be a financial burden for you? Y N If yes, would you take him/her to the vet anyway? Y N
Would it be a hardship for you to take your rabbit to an exotics vet for annual check-ups? Y N N
What vet hospital does s/he work for?In what city?
Would you like us to recommend an exotic pet veterinarian? Y N Please provide the name and phone number for the Veterinarian who takes care of your pets:
Please explain the signs of illness in rabbits.

Describe the ways you plan to allow your rabbit to exercise, # of hours, space, etc.
What type of pellets do you plan on feeding? How much?
What type of hay do you plan on feeding? How much?
What type of treats do you plan on feeding? How much? Veggies?
Under what circumstances would you NOT wish to keep the rabbit? Moving
PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING
Please understand that filling out this application does not guarantee approval for adoption. Failure to provide contact information may void this application. I certify that the information on this application is true and recognize that any misrepresentation of the facts may lead to the loss of my adoption privileges. I authorize representatives to verify all information on this application and will allow an in home inspection any time before and after the adoption. Please take into consideration rabbits, depending on species, can live 7 or more years. You must be prepared to make this commitment. By signing below, you are indicating that <i>you have never been convicted of animal cruelty, neglect, or abandonment</i> pursuant to the Code of Virginia § 3.2-6546 D
Printed Name: Signature:

Date: