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W6127 Kiesling Rd
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Cat Adoption Application

Please answer the questions below completely and honestly. We strive to make good matches between adopters and pets, find lifelong companions for our clients, and place animals in loving and responsible homes.

What's Included?

The adoption fee for cats and kittens include all of the following:

- ◆ Spay/Neuter surgery
- ◆ Deworming
- ◆ FIV/FELV test
- ◆ Parasite preventative or treatment (if needed)
- ◆ Distemper and Rabies vaccinations (if age-appropriate)
- ◆ Microchip
- ◆ Certificate for a free first vet exam (at participating clinics)

If you were to do all these procedures yourself the average cost would be upwards of \$300!

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: _____ Applicant Date of Birth: _____

Co-Applicant Name: _____ Co-Applicant Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Email: _____

Home Information

How long have you lived at your current address? _____

Are you planning to move within the next six months? Yes No

Type of residence: House Apartment Mobile Home Duplex
 (please check all that apply) Farm Condo Live with friend/relative
 Other: _____

If you are not the homeowner, please provide the homeowner's or landlord's contact information:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

If you are subject to the rules of a condo or homeowner's association please provide the contact information for the association:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Do you plan to allow your cat outdoors? Yes No

If so, please describe the cat's outdoor access at home:
 (please check all that apply) Supervised only Unsupervised Harness and leash
 Enclosure ("Catio") Fenced Yard Free to roam
 Other: _____

Please describe where your new cat will primarily live: _____

How many adults live in the home? _____ How many children live in the home? _____

Please list the ages of any children living in the home: _____

Please list the ages of any visiting children: _____

On a scale from 1 to 10, how would you describe the activity level in your home?

Quiet, Calm 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Active, Busy, Lively

Please list any animals you **currently own** or **have owned in the past five years**:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Species, Breed, or Type</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Gender</u>	<u>Spayed/Neutered?</u>	<u>Still own?</u>

What vet clinic do they visit? _____ Phone #: _____

Whose name are the vet records under? _____

If you no longer own a pet, what happened to him/her? _____

Have you ever rehomed, surrendered, or returned a pet to a shelter, rescue, or individual? Yes No

If so, when? _____ To which organization? _____

Why? _____

Animal Experience & Adoption Information

Please describe any previous experience with cats (owning, training, caregiving, researching, etc.):

On average, how many hours will the cat be home without people? _____

Where will the cat be kept while no one is home? _____

Where will you keep the cat during the day when you are home? _____

Where will the cat be kept at night? _____

Who will care for your cat if you must be gone for an extended period? _____

I would consider the following behaviors to be a problem in my new cat: *(please check all that apply)*

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jumping on furniture/counters/tables | <input type="checkbox"/> Not getting along with existing pets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Getting into cabinets/cupboards/closets | <input type="checkbox"/> Not adjusting quickly to the household |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Getting into garbage | <input type="checkbox"/> Playing during the early morning or late at night |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shedding on furniture/clothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Throwing up hairballs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scratching furniture/carpets/people/etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Not using the litter box |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiding from guests or family members | <input type="checkbox"/> Requires too much attention |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing curtains/drapes/blinds | <input type="checkbox"/> Too independent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Escaping/door darting | <input type="checkbox"/> Too active |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive meowing/howling | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Which of these behaviors would you **not** be able to work on with your new cat?

Please describe how you would deal with the other problem behaviors:

Are you considering declawing? *(please check all that apply)*

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I'll declaw to prevent scratching | <input type="checkbox"/> I want to adopt an already declawed cat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I'll declaw because my landlord requires it | <input type="checkbox"/> I'll declaw the front paws only |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I'll declaw because my current cats are declawed | <input type="checkbox"/> I'll declaw on all four paws |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'll declaw if scratching becomes a problem | <input type="checkbox"/> No, I won't declaw in any circumstance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'll declaw if I move to a place that requires it | <input type="checkbox"/> I'm unsure on whether or not I will declaw |

What are you looking for in your new cat?
(please check all that apply)

- | | | |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Companion for me | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor-only cat | <input type="checkbox"/> A lap cat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Companion for a child | <input type="checkbox"/> Indoor-only cat | <input type="checkbox"/> Affectionate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A gift for someone else | <input type="checkbox"/> Indoor/outdoor cat | <input type="checkbox"/> Independent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Companion for another pet | <input type="checkbox"/> Barn/shop cat | <input type="checkbox"/> Active |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Can live with other pets | <input type="checkbox"/> Mouser | <input type="checkbox"/> Low-energy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |

How much do you estimate you will spend each year on food, vet care, toys, etc.? _____

Some cats adjust to a new home quickly while others may take weeks or even months to acclimate.

How much time are you willing to give your new cat to adjust to their new home? _____

Application Procedure

Please read the following information carefully.

- ◆ Once the application is submitted, **the approval process typically takes 1-3 business days**. We will notify you when the process is completed.
- ◆ **The HSJC does not do same day adoptions**. This is in the best interest of the animals and helps ensure considered and successful placements.
- ◆ Approved applications are kept on file for six months.
- ◆ **All family members must meet the new cat** before adoption to help ensure compatibility.

Release

Release of information - please read carefully:

I certify that I am at least 18 years of age and have provided truthful and accurate information on this application. I give my consent for the Humane Society of Jefferson County to verify this information. I also authorize my veterinarian to release any information requested by the Humane Society of Jefferson County. I understand that animals will not be adopted to prospective owners who mislead or fail to provide accurate information. I understand that the HSJC has the right to deny my application. I also understand that the HSJC reviews each applicant and will not adopt an animal to applicants who have committed violent or animal-related offenses. If my adopted animal becomes ill, I certify that I am financially prepared to treat this animal at my own expense. The HSJC is not liable for any animal, or its actions, after the animal has been placed in its approved home.

Your signature indicates that you understand and agree to the above terms.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Co-Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____