

Humane Society of Catawba County

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FELINE ADOPTION APPLICATION

Thanks so much for choosing adoption! Cats bring years of companionship, joy, and unconditional love, but they also require a lifelong commitment of time, patience, care, and financial responsibility. Before adopting, please ensure that you are prepared to provide a safe and loving home for the next **10 to 15 years** or more. Adoption fees are payable to the Humane Society of Catawba County by cash, debit card, or credit card. **Personal checks are not accepted for adoptions.**

APPLICANTS INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)	
Date:	
Applicant's full name (please print):	Age:
Co-Applicant's full name (please print):	Relationship to applicant:
Address, City, State:	
Phone Number:	Email:
FELINE INFORMATION:	
Name of Cat/Kitten you are applying for:	
Why would you like to adopt a Cat/Kitten? • Family Pet • Companion • Other	
What are you looking for in a Cat/Kitten?	
Age: • 2-6 months • 6-12 months • 1-6 years • 7+ years	Sex: • Male • Female • No preference
Coat: • Short • Medium • Long • No preference	Color Preference:
Personality: • Playful • Calm • Shy • Affectionate • Lap Cat • Likes Cats • Likes Dogs • Likes Kids	
Where will the Cat/Kitten live? • Indoors • Outdoors • Inside and Outside	
Do you plan to declaw? • Yes • No (Please elaborate on your answer)	
Who will be responsible for the care and expenses of the Cat/Kitten?	
If you travel, where will the Cat/Kitten stay?	
Changing environments may cause the Cat/Kitten to have accidents or behavior issues. Are you willing to give the Cat/Kitten time to adjust to a new environment? • Yes • No	
If sudden behavior issues arise, do you understand that the cat/kitten may need to see a vet? • Yes • No	
If you move, what will you do with your new Cat/Kitten?	
The annual cost of caring for a cat typically ranges from \$500 to \$1,500 for basic needs, including food, litter, routine veterinary care, and annual vaccinations. Prospective adopters should also be prepared for unexpected expenses. If a cat becomes ill or is injured, veterinary treatment can range from hundreds to thousands of dollars, depending on the condition and level of care required.	
Have you considered the extra expenses that come with owning a new Cat/Kitten? • Yes • No	
What reasons are valid for giving up a pet? (Check all that apply)	
• Fleas • Shedding • Expenses • Noisy • Chewing/Clawing • Destructive • Bites • New Baby • Moving • Marriage or Divorce • Doesn't listen • Arising Medical Condition • No Time • Would not consider	
Have all household members met and agreed on adopting a new Cat/Kitten? • Yes • No	

PET AND VETERINARY HISTORY:			
Have you ever had to give up ownership of a pet? • Yes • No ... If yes, please explain:			
Do you currently have other pets in your home? • Yes • No... If yes, please complete this information:			
	Pet 1	Pet 2	Pet 3
Pet's name:			
Type of pet:			
Sex/Age:			
Spayed or Neutered:			
Up to date on rabies vaccines			
Up to date on other vaccines			
Indoor or Outdoor			
Current Veterinarian's name and telephone number?			
Name of person on file with the vet?			
HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION			
Is your residence: • House • Condo • Apartment • Mobile Home • Duplex • Other (please explain):			
If you live in a condo or rent, does your association or landlord have any restrictions? • Yes • No			
If yes, please explain.			
Do you: • Own • Rent • Live with parents • Live with friends • Other (please explain)			
If you live with friends, family or rent, do you have permission to have a Cat/Kitten? • Yes • No			
Landlord name if you rent:		Telephone number:	
How long have you been at your current residence?			
Please list all of the members living in the house or on the property:			
Name:	Age:	Name:	Age:
Name:	Age:	Name:	Age:
Name:	Age:	Name:	Age:
Name:	Age:	Name:	Age:
AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE			

I certify that all information provided is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that providing false, misleading, or incomplete information may result in the denial of my adoption application. The Humane Society of Catawba County (HSCC) reserves the right to approve or deny any adoption application at its sole discretion. HSCC makes every reasonable effort to evaluate the health and behavior of animals in its care. However, HSCC cannot guarantee the future health, temperament, behavior, or suitability of any animal. Certain medical, behavioral, hereditary, or genetic conditions may not be apparent at the time of adoption and may not be detected by HSCC or its veterinarians prior to placement.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

ALL ADOPTED FELINES MUST LEAVE THE SHELTER IN A PET CARRIER