



RILEY COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

ADOPTION CONTRACT

Chinchilla

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Name of Adopter \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Adopter \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Landlord Name (if renting) \_\_\_\_\_ LL's phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Vet's phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Pet to be Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Breed/Description of Pet \_\_\_\_\_

References (No Family Please) Ref#1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Ref#2 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

AS THE ADOPTING PARTY I AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS:

- 1. I understand that this chinchilla will be an indoor pet integrated with the rest of my family...
2. I agree to provide a safe, healthy environment and to house the chinchilla indoors, safe from predators, disease and exposure...
3. I agree to have the chinchilla as part of the family and not keep in a far off space where they will be forgotten...
4. If renting, leasing or subletting, I CONFIRM that I have permission from the landlord to have an indoor chinchilla...
5. I agree to provide this/these chinchilla(s) with fresh food, clean water, grass hay (timothy, orchard, etc.), high fiber pellets every day...
6. I have no allergies to chinchillas and no one in my household has an allergy to chinchillas...
7. I have no animals that will harm the chinchilla(s) that will be allowed in the chinchillas area...
8. This chinchilla adoption is permanent, and I understand that this chinchilla may live to be 12 -15 years of age with some easily living 20years...
9. In the event of illness or injury, I agree to seek PROMPT veterinary care from a qualified exotics veterinarian...
10. I understand that the pet covered by these adoption papers, is, as far as can be determined by the RCHS, in good health...
11. I agree to provide requested feedback in the adoption follow-up program, and I give the RCHS visitation rights...
12. If, for any reason, I cannot keep the adopted pet, I agree to notify the Riley County Humane Society (RCHS), and return the adopted animal to an active member of the organization...
13. I understand that any failure to perform the foregoing agreement will constitute a breach of contract...

Signature of Adopter \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of RCHS Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Riley County Humane Society  
Chinchilla Adoption Interview**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of chinchilla(s) you are interested in adopting: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you own your home or rent?

**1a.** If you rent, does your landlord permit chinchillas? (**We will contact your landlord and verify**)

2. Have you owned a chinchilla before?

**2a.** If so, how long did you have your previous chinchilla

**2b.** what happened to them?

3. Why adopt a chinchilla as a pet?

4. Have you obtained information regarding chinchilla diet, needs, behavior, etc. ?

**4a.** Chinchillas **REQUIRE** grass hay (timothy, orchard, or botanical) and a good quality plain pelleted food as a main staples in their diet. Are you willing to provide them an unlimited amount of hay and an appropriate small amount of plain pellets daily?

**4b.** Are you aware that you cannot bathe your chinchilla with water? They require a special dust bath and a bath house. Are you willing to provide them with this?

**4d.** Are you aware that chinchillas are Crepuscular which means they will be most active at dusk and dawn? (So they will need attention during the morning and evenings) Are you willing to give them attention at these times?

**4e.**What will you provide for your rabbit to gnaw on to keep their teeth from getting too long?

**4f.** What will you provide for the occasional treat for your chinchilla?

5. Will the chinchilla be housed indoors or outdoors?

6. What type of caging/housing will you be using?

**6a.** Will there be enough room for chew toys, a bath house, food bowl, wooden or lava jumping/climbing ledges, hammocks, and hide outs?

**6b.** What type of bedding will you use?

7. Are there children in the home? If so, what ages?
- 7a. Is the chinchilla being obtained as a pet for the child(ren)?
- 7b. Will the chinchilla **always** be supervised in the presence of young children?
- 7c. If the chinchilla is being obtained for a child, is there an adult willing to be the primary care giver?
8. Is this chinchilla intended to be a bond-mate for another family chinchilla?
- 8a. Is that chinchilla neutered/spayed?
9. Does anyone in your home have any known allergies to chinchillas?
10. Is everyone in the home aware of the potential adoption?
11. Are there dogs or cats or other naturally predatory animals in the family?
- 11.a If so, how do you plan to keep the chinchilla safe from these animals?
12. We realize the veterinary care for a chinchilla is limited; however, are you willing to take your chinchilla to a **qualified exotics veterinarian** if he/she should need medical care?
- 12a. Are you aware of the cost involved with using a qualified exotics veterinarian?
13. A chinchilla's average lifespan is 12 to 15yrs but they can easily live to be 20 years of age, are you fully prepared to commit to caring for this/these chinchilla(s) for their **entire** lifetime?

**If your application is approved, and the adoption is not successful, for whatever reason and after any duration of time, do you agree to return the chinchilla(s) back to the RCHS fostering and adoption program? This stipulation is also referred to in the adoption application you are required to sign.**

**If yes please sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**