

Cat Matchers Foster Program Agreement

1. I agree to take in animal(s) into my home for adoption placement. These animals are considered foster animals only if placed in my home by the foster coordinator or their authorized agent. I understand that Cat Matchers reserves the right to inspect the foster home at any time to ensure suitability for these purposes. If an animal(s) is brought into my home by any other means and I choose to have it placed for adoption, then this animal(s) is considered under Cat Matchers' Assistance Program. I agree to be bound under the terms of the Assistance Program for that animal(s). (**initials**)
2. I agree to take full responsibility to provide adequate food, shelter and a loving environment for the foster animal(s). Cats must be kept indoors at all times. Dogs must be kept indoors, in fenced yards, or on a leash (short-term) at all times.
3. I understand that Cat Matchers does not knowingly misrepresent any animal's age, condition of health, or temperament. I also understand that Cat Matchers cannot guarantee the health of the cat(s) beyond what is established by provided veterinary care.
4. I understand that Cat Matchers cannot be held responsible if the animal(s) is unsuitable for my home environment or becomes ill or acts in an erratic manner. If I cannot keep the foster animal(s), I agree that I will return it to Cat Matchers. (**initials**)
5. Under Cat Matchers policy and the laws of the State of Texas, all animals must be spayed or neutered as soon as they are old enough. If an appointment is made for the animal(s) to be sterilized, I agree to take it to the approved veterinarian at the appointed time.
6. I agree to administer any medication(s) provided to me for the animal(s). I agree to take the animal to the approved veterinarian for any immunization or treatment required. I understand that all medication and medical treatment will be paid for by Cat Matchers, provided that it is authorized by Cat Matchers. I understand that Cat Matchers practices shelter medicine, and as such, any medication or veterinarian care not authorized by Cat Matchers, is the sole responsibility of the foster volunteer or their agent. In the event of an emergency with the animal(s), I agree to call the President, the Foster Program Coordinator or a Foster Mentor for direction if needed. I understand that I will not be reimbursed for any expenses not approved in advance by Cat Matchers, unless it is a life-or-death situation. (**initials**)
7. I understand that the foster animal is the sole property of Cat Matchers and cannot be given to anyone or adopted by anyone without approval which includes: completion of a Cat Matchers Application for Adoption, Adoption Contract, and collection of the required Adoption Fee. If the animal is given away, the Foster Parent will be responsible for the Adoption Fee and any expenses. (**initials**)
8. I understand that food, litter, medications, and other necessary supplies are available from Cat Matchers if needed for approved foster animal(s). If I request or purchase supplies other than those authorized by Cat Matchers or available from Cat Matchers, then the cost is my responsibility. These costs may be considered in-kind donations if used specifically and only for Cat Matchers foster animal(s). I can request a donation record for tax purposes with the verifiable receipts.
9. I understand that sometimes animal(s) that are adopted need to be returned by the new owners to Cat Matchers. I agree to take the cat(s) back into my care again at any time while I am actively fostering with Cat Matchers, unless disease or unusual circumstances prohibit this.
10. I have reviewed and understand all Cat Matchers adoption documents. I further understand that I will not execute the Cat Matchers Adoption Contract without approval of a member of the Adoption team, President or the Foster Program Coordinator.
11. I agree that the foster animal(s) must be brought to at least one mobile adoption per month, unless otherwise agreed upon with the foster coordinator. The animal(s) must be up to date on vaccinations, spay/neutered, clean and flea-free, healthy and in good condition. I also agree to be on time, and to show up when scheduled, as space is limited at mobile adoptions.
12. I agree to provide photos and a description of the cat's personality and needs as soon as possible so that the cat can be placed in the online portal for adoption and for social media purposes.

13. Healthy, adoptable cats that are not listed in the online portal and not actively attending adoption events can no longer be considered as available for adoption.
14. I understand that foster animals should be kept separate from personal animals for the protection of the personal animal's health. If I choose to intermingle personal and foster animals, then it is my responsibility, for any costs incurred, to treat personal animals if their health is compromised due to foster animals. (initials)
15. I understand that working with scared or ill animals may involve risk. I release Cat Matchers, its volunteers, agents, and the treating veterinarians and their staff and agents from all liability related to the handling, treatment, and transportation of the animal(s) that I foster. (initials)
16. I agree to notify Cat Matchers immediately if there are any changes in my address or phone number.
17. I certify that my own animals are current on all immunizations and are spayed/neutered.
18. I agree to return the foster animal(s) to Cat Matchers upon request by Cat Matchers if all of the above conditions are not met.
19. I understand the laws/ordinances in my city and county of residence as they pertain to fostering animals and the number of allowed animals in my home. I am qualified to foster animals in regards to these laws.
20. I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold Cat Matchers, its Board of Directors, officers, and volunteers harmless from direct or indirect and consequential damages arising out of this foster care arrangement.
21. I certify that I have not been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor associated with animal abuse, neglect or hoarding within the last five (5) years.
22. I certify that everyone in my home and under my care is in agreement with this Foster Contract.

I understand that I must have a "Cat Matchers Volunteer Application" AND a "Cat Matchers Volunteer Agreement, Release & Waiver" on file or attached with this document in order to apply for the foster volunteer position.

I have read, understand, and agree to the above conditions:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name _____

Address _____

Email (preferred) _____

Email (secondary) _____

Phone 1: _____ Type: Cell Work Home

Phone 2: _____ Type: Cell Work Home

Cat Matchers Volunteer Application Attached On file

Cat Matchers Volunteer Agreement, Release & Waiver Attached On file

Send by fax: 877-687-8770, **email:** catmatchers@yahoo.com, **or mail to:** Cat Matchers, Attn: Foster Program, PO Box 262571, Plano, TX 75026