



# THE ARK

## ANIMAL RESCUE AND RETIREMENT HOME

### APPLICATION TO ADOPT A CAT

#### **ABOUT YOU:**

Name:(s).....

Address:.....

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Telephone:.....Email:.....

Number of adults in the home:.....What is your age?.....

Number of children:.....Ages:.....

Are they used to cats?.....

Does anyone elderly or with impaired mobility/sight live in your home?.....

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Is a new baby expected? .....If so, when?.....

Do other children/grandchildren visit regularly?.....

If so, how often?.....

Are they used to cats?.....

Do you have any other pets? (Please list all, state age and in the case of cats, if they are neutered):

Dogs:.....

Cats:.....

Other pets:.....

Have you ever had to rehome a pet? YES/NO

If so, why?.....

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#### **ABOUT YOUR HOME:**

Is your home in: a) Town b) Country c) Semi-rural

Is it a a) House b) Flat c) Bungalow

Is it on or near a main road? YES/NO

Is the area safe for a cat to explore? YES/NO Give details:.....

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Describe your home's activity level: a) busy/noisy b) moderate activity/noise levels

c) quiet/only occasional visitors

Is your home rented? YES/NO

If yes, what is your landlord's policy on keeping pets?.....

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Can we obtain written confirmation of this, if required? YES/NO

Do you have any plans to move home? .....



### **THE CAT(S)**

Name of the cat(s) you're interested in:.....

Breed:.....Sex:.....Age:.....

Colour:.....

Have you thoroughly read the cat's profile? YES/NO

Are you aware of any known potential issues with the cat?.....

Have you thought how you might introduce the cat to any other pets in the home?.....

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Why do you want to adopt a rescue cat?.....

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### **CARE OF THE CAT:**

What hours do you and your partner work?.....

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What is the maximum time the cat will be left home alone?.....

Will this be a regular occurrence?.....

What arrangements will you make if you have to be away from home more than normal working hours?.....

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What will happen to the cat if you go on holiday?.....

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Which vet do use or plan to use?.....

Would you be happy for a reference to be obtained, if necessary? YES/NO

Would you seek veterinary advice as soon as needed, maintain yearly vaccinations and get the cat neutered if not done?.....

Are you prepared to meet all veterinary costs once the cat is adopted? YES/NO

Where in the house will the cat have access?.....

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Where will it sleep?.....

Do you plan to insure the cat? YES/NO

We try our very best to ensure all cats are with their new families forever so it is vital that we match you with the right cat. Under what circumstances would you return the cat to us?

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### **IF YOU'RE APPLYING TO ADOPT A KITTEN:**

Are you willing and able to be at home for feeding 4 times a day in the first weeks and then 3 times a day until it's old enough to go onto adult feeding times? YES/NO If not, you **must** arrange for somebody to be available to do this.

Are you willing to get the kitten vaccinated and neutered when it is old enough? YES/NO

### **GENERAL:**

Have you read the adoption agreement on the website? YES/NO

Are you aware that, if you can't keep the cat for any reason, it **must** come back to the



Ark? YES/NO

Do you wish to add any further information to support your application?.....

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### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**When adopting a cat from us** you will take full responsibility for the cat after adoption. We try our best to assess the cat's temperament whilst it is with us. We do not rehome any cats with a history of aggression or biting/scratching etc. without the prospective owner being made fully aware of the history. As with all rescue cats, we cannot guarantee the temperament of ANY cat and can only go on what we have seen whilst it is in our care and history given by previous owner. **The cat you adopt may show different behaviour once with you. This is completely normal as cats can react differently in new environments, but we always try to assess each one as best as we can before rehoming. We cannot guarantee the temperament of ANY cat rehomed; this is something which must be taken into consideration when adopting any rescue cat.**

### **Donation**

The Ark exists on voluntary contributions. At the time of adoption new owners are asked to make a minimum donation of £50 (£75 for a pair). If you are happy with everything in this homecheck questionnaire and have read through the adoption declaration, please sign below.

**I confirm that the information I have given on this form is correct and that I have read or been made aware of the adoption terms and will abide by them. I understand that my details will be kept secure while retained on file and they will not be passed to other organisations**

Signature of applicant:.....Date:.....

Print name:.....