



New Hanover County
Rabbit Rescue of Wilmington

RABBIT RESCUE ADOPTION CONTRACT - CHINCHILLA

CHINCHILLA NAME: _____ ANIMAL NO: _____ AGE: _____ COLOR: _____

SEX: _____ INTACT / ALTERED S/N BY: _____ VET: _____ WEIGHT: _____

I understand that I am making a commitment to this chinchilla for its lifetime of 20 years or more. Should my life circumstances change; should the chinchilla fall ill; or should other difficulties arise between us, I agree to work through such issues so that he may remain a member of my household.

Initial Here: _____

I agree to work with this chinchilla and with the above-named organization to overcome any behavioral issues that might arise with him so that we may live together in contentment.

Initial Here: _____

In assuming responsibility for the above chinchilla, I agree to never physically abuse him/her, nor will I allow any other person or animal to do so. I will always supervise any children when they are playing with this chinchilla and I understand that chinchilla's can be hurt easily by children mishandling them.

Initial Here: _____

I agree to give the chinchilla at least 2 hours a day play and exercise time in a safe environment – preferably in a large (small animal) play pen or chinchilla proof room. I agree to chinchilla proof my home if my chinchilla will be running around in the house. I agree to keep my chinchilla's living area clean on a daily basis.

Initial Here: _____

I agree that I will NEVER take my chinchilla outside. I understand that a chinchilla can and will easily escape and it will nearly be impossible to catch. I know that chinchillas are prey animals and if it goes outside it will become food for the wildlife.

Initial Here: _____



I agree to provide this chinchilla with a balanced diet with daily fresh food and water (hay, pellets, and appropriate treats). I also agree to provide medical care to always keep this chinchilla in good health.

Initial Here: _____

I agree that this animal will not be bred. In the case of a juvenile chinchilla, I agree that I will have the male neutered if I plan on getting a female friend by a veterinarian recommended by the above-mentioned organization. I will also separate any unneutered / unspayed pairs of mixed sexes when they approach sexual maturity (8 months), until at least one is neutered.

Initial Here: _____

Once this chinchilla is adopted, the above-named organization is not liable or responsible for any damage or injury caused by the adopted chinchilla. I understand that health problems may arise in the future for which the above-named organization or its representatives will not be held responsible.

Initial Here: _____

I agree that the above-named organization is authorized to remove this animal if he or she is not receiving adequate home care or is being endangered by lack of veterinary care, or if there has been a violation of the adoption agreement or any local anti-cruelty laws.

Initial Here: _____

If I am unable to maintain this agreement, for any reason, I will return this animal to the above-named organization in accordance with policy.

Initial Here: _____

I have read the agreement and will abide by its terms. I am aware that the adoption fee is non-refundable.

Initial Here: _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

Print Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email _____

Rescue Representative: _____



New Hanover County Rabbit Rescue of Wilmington

I, _____, hereafter referred to as the adopter, hereby agree that the chinchilla I am adopting;

Chinchilla Description: _____

IS being adopted by me solely as a **pet** for myself and/or my immediate family. **I agree that I will not sell, give away or otherwise dispose of this chinchilla to any person(s), dealer, retailer, auction, institute or any other entity or abandon the animal for any reason.** If I am unable or willing to keep this chinchilla; I agree to contact New Hanover County Rabbit Rescue and give them reasonable time **for them to reclaim this animal at no charge.** I understand that I **MUST** return the chinchilla to **New Hanover County Rabbit Rescue (NHCR)** and I agree not abandon it or leave it at another animal shelter nor will I post it on craigslist. **THIS CHINCHILLA WILL NOT BE USED FOR MEAT, FOOD, FUR, OR TRAINING DOGS OR ANY OTHER ANIMAL, NOR WILL THIS CHINCHILLA BE USED TO FEED REPTILES OR OTHER ANIMAL THAT YOU MAY HAVE!**

I understand that I am adopting a homeless animal from a charity, NOT PURCHASING A PRODUCT from a store.

I understand and agree that **(NHCR)** makes **no representations or warranties, expressed or implied, about the above mentioned chinchilla's health or temperament** and is hereby absolved from any liability for future damages or injuries caused by this chinchilla.

If my newly adopted chinchilla should get ill or develop any behavioral problems within two weeks of this adoption I will call NHCR for any advice or suggestions that may help resolve the problem.

I hereby agree to care for the above-described chinchilla in a humane and responsible manner and provide it with food, water, shelter and veterinary care. I further agree that the above mentioned pet will not be allowed to roam free.

I understand that the **tax deductible adoption fee is a DONATION and is nonrefundable** even if I decide that I do not want to keep this chinchilla. Animal adoption is a serious lifelong commitment and I agree to take this commitment seriously. The funds are immediately used to help cover the medical costs and rescue another rabbit or chinchilla needing this organizations help.

I certify that all statements made by me on this agreement and on my adoption application are true and correct. I agree that **(NHCR)** has the right to confiscate the above described rabbit in the event that any statements made by me are found to be false and/or my check for the adoption fee is returned for insufficient funds.

ADOPTER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

NHCR WITNESS SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____



New Hanover County Rabbit Rescue of Wilmington

Adopter's Name _____ Date _____ Phone _____
Address _____
Email _____ Chinchilla's Name _____ Description _____

Chinchilla Adoption Questionnaire

- 1) Do you own or rent? _____
- 2) If you rent, do you have roommates? _____
- 3) Does your landlord allow pets? _____
- 4) How old are you? _____
- 5) Where do you work? _____
- 6) Who is going to be responsible for the care of this chinchilla? _____
- 7) Have you ever surrendered any animals to the shelter? If so; explain _____
- 8) Is any member of your family allergic to animals? If so, please describe _____
- 9) Is any family member allergic to hay? _____
- 10) What would you do if someone in your household is allergic? _____
- 11) Number of Adults in your household is _____
- 12) Number of children in your household is _____
- 13) Who is your Veterinarian? _____
- 14) How long have you been going to your Veterinarian? _____
- 15) Is your Vet familiar with chinchilla's care? _____
- 16) Can we contact your Veterinarian? _____
- 17) During your absence who will keep your chinchilla? _____
- 18) Why are you adopting a chinchilla? _____
- 19) Have you ever owned a chinchilla? _____
- 20) Why are you interested in a chinchilla? _____
- 21) Have you researched how to properly care for a chinchilla? _____
- 22) Do you understand that your chinchilla is a lifelong commitment for the next 20 years? _____
- 23) Do you plan to let this chinchilla outside? _____
- 24) What do you plan to do if you lost your job or had to move? _____
- 25) How much money are you willing to spend in case of a medical emergency? _____
- 26) Do you understand that using cedar and/or pine shavings for bedding is potentially deadly to your chinchilla? _____
- 27) Do you understand **NOT** consulting a Vet before treating for fleas can **KILL** your chinchilla? _____
- 28) Do you understand bringing your Chinchilla outside has **many potential life threatening hazards?** _____
- 29) Do you understand you will have to change your rabbits water often? _____
- 30) Do you understand that you **CANNOT** feed your chinchilla moldy pellets or spoiled hay and food? _____
- 31) Did you know that Chinchilla's **cannot** eat most vegetables and some fruits? _____
- 32) Did you know that you can feed your Chinchilla uncooked UNFLAVORED ROLLED OATMEAL as a treat? _____
- 33) Did you know that your Chinchilla cannot live in temperatures higher than 75 degrees or it can have heat stroke suddenly? _____
- 34) Did you know that Chinchilla's have the thickest fur than any other animal on the planet? _____



- 35) Did you know that Chinchilla's originated from the Andes' Mountains where temperatures are cold and the climate is somewhat dry? _____
- 36) Did you know you will have to purchase a cooling stone to help keep your Chinchilla's body temperature down? _____
- 37) Did you know that Chinchilla's do not drink as much water as other small animals? _____
- 38) Did you know that Chinchilla's are social animals and in the wild they lived in groups of over 100? _____
- 39) Did you know that Chinchilla's hid in rocks and rolled around in the dry sand to keep their fur in good condition in the wild? _____ - For this reason Chinchilla's like hideaway's so please provide them.
- 40) Do you know that you will have to provide a dust bath for your chinchilla 2 to 3 times a week to keep the fur in good condition and to stop it from matting? _____
- 41) Do you know that you do not leave the dust bath with your Chinchilla 24-7 as you can overdo the dust bathing? _____
- 42) Do you know it is not recommended putting your Chinchilla in a exercise ball because if they pee in the ball it can cause their fur to rot and you cannot bathe your Chinchilla? _____
- 43) Did you know that you will have to provide your Chinchilla with a large exercise wheel? _____
- 44) Did you know that Chinchilla's may need to replace the wheel weekly? _____
- 45) Did you know that there are expensive wheels on the market like the "Chin Spin" that will last you at least a year? _____ It is cheaper in the long run to spend the money to get a higher grade Chinchilla wheel.
- 46) Did you know that feeding your chinchilla a pellet **without** the colored treats is more beneficial to the health and wellbeing of your chinchilla? _____
- 32) Did you know that rabbits need timothy hay or alfalfa hay to eat at all times (not wheat straw)? _____
- 33) Did you know chinchilla's diet consists of 90 percent Timothy or Alfalfa hay? _____
- 34) Do you know what Malocclusion is? _____ What about GI Stasis? _____ **(if not please ask)**
- 35) Do you know what Critical Care is and what to do if your rabbit goes into GI Stasis? _____ **(if not please ask)**
- 36) Did you know that chinchilla litter should be paper based? _____
- 37) Do you know that a small animal cage for a chinchilla is not sufficient for your chinchilla to live in 24-7? _____
- 38) Do you plan on making a play area for your new chinchilla? _____ If so, where will it be? _____
- 39) Did you know your chinchilla can chew and destroy your property? _____
- 40) Did you know that if your chinchilla roaming free in a room it **MUST** be chinchilla proof; removing all hazards such as electric cords? _____
- 41) Did you know that rabbit will chew clothing and fabric and **EVERYTHING** else? _____
- 42) Did you know chinchillas can chew walls? _____
- 43) Did you know chinchillas can chew your rugs? _____
- 44) Do you understand that chinchilla need daily exercise and daily playtime? _____
- 45) Do you understand that you will need to provide your chinchilla with a clean cage by keeping its litterbox cleaned daily? _____
- 46) Do you know you will have to purchase a large cage like Critter Nation for a ferret/sugar glider for your Chinchilla to have plenty of room to play and climb while you are at work? _____
- 47) Did you know that chinchillas are clean animals and like to stay clean? _____
- 48) Did you know that chinchilla's shed? _____
- 49) Did you know your chinchilla occasionally should be brushed? _____
- 50) Did you know that you will have to provide something for your chinchilla to chew on to keep the teeth from growing through the roof of his mouth? _____
- 52) Did you know you should **NOT** submerge or bathe your chinchilla? _____
- 53) Do understand the commitment you are getting into? _____ Do you still want a Chinchilla today? _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Amt Paid: _____ **DL#** _____ **Check#** _____ **CHECK/CASH/CARD**