

Suzie's Cat Refuge Foster Application

Basic Information:

Applicant's Name: (F) _____ M) _____ (L) _____

Home Phone: (____) - ____ - _____

Work Phone: (____) - ____ - _____

Cell Phone: (____) - ____ - _____

Home Address:

E-mail Address: _____ @ _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/_____

Questions:

1) Have you ever been convicted of a felony? (Yes / No) If Yes, please explain:

2) Other than yourself, how many people are living in your home, and what are their ages?

3) How did you hear about Suzie's Cat
Refuge? _____

4) What is your reason for becoming a foster volunteer at this time?

5) Have you ever worked as a foster volunteer for an animal shelter or other rescue group? (Yes / No) If Yes, what group(s) did you work with?

6) What type of cats are you willing to foster? Please check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Kittens/Adolescents (under 1 year)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adults (1-7 years)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Seniors (8 years and older)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pregnant or nursing mother cat
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cats with special health/behavior concerns

7) How many cats are you willing to foster at one time? _____

8) Is there a specific cat that you are interested in fostering? (name of cat) _____

9) How long are you willing to keep foster cat(s) in your home? _____

10) Are you willing to cover the cost of food, and/or other supplies (cat litter, etc.) for your foster cat(s)? (Yes / No)

***Note: This is not a requirement. Suzie's Cat Refuge will cover the cost of all supplies and veterinary care for your foster cat(s) (see Foster Care Agreement for exceptions). However, foster volunteers who are willing to cover some costs as a courtesy to Suzie's Cat Refuge are extremely helpful in reducing overhead, and are greatly appreciated.**

11) Do you currently own any pets? (Yes / No) If Yes, please list the names, species, and ages of all pets living in your home:

***Note: All dogs and cats owned by the Foster Parent must be current on rabies vaccines. Cats must also be sterilized, current on distemper vaccines, and have a negative test result for FIV/FLV on record, prior to any direct exposure to cats owned by SCR.**

12) Do you have the ability to keep your foster cat(s) separated from your own pets? Circle NA if you do not own any pets. (Yes / No / NA)

13) In what type of home do you live? Please circle one. (House / Apartment / Condo / Townhome / Duplex / Other) If Other, please specify:

14) Do you own or rent your home? (Own / Rent)

15) If Rent, are cats allowed in your home? (Yes / No) If yes, please provide landlord's name and phone number:

Name: _____

Phone: (_____) - _____ - _____

16) Do you smoke inside your home? (Yes / No)

17) Are you willing to allow a representative of Suzie's Cat Refuge visit your home (by appointment) prior to and after accepting foster cats into your home? (Yes / No)

18) Are you willing to allow potential adoptors visit your home to meet your foster cat(s)? (Yes / No)

19) How much time in the average day will you be able to devote to caring for your foster cat(s)?

Suzie's Cat Refuge Foster Care Agreement

This is an agreement between Suzie's Cat Refuge, a Minnesota foster-based cat rescue owned by Rachel Pouliot, referred hereafter as "SCR", and the above-named foster applicant, referred hereafter as "Foster Parent", for the purpose of socializing and providing care for certain cats owned by SCR in preparation for successful adoption into permanent homes. SCR and the Foster Parent agree to act in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Foster Application and Foster Care Agreement.

1) Care of Foster Cat(s)

Foster Parent agrees to:

- provide a foster home for the assigned cat(s) for the length of time specified in Question#9 of the Foster Application, or until adopted, whichever event occurs first. If, for any reason, the Foster Parent is unable to house the cat for the stated length of time, he or she will notify SCR immediately, and allow no less than two weeks for SCR to arrange for a backup foster volunteer.
- provide foster cat(s) with nutritious, feline-appropriate food, fresh water, loving attention, adequate exercise, and any prescribed medications or supplements
- keep foster cat(s) indoors at all times
- immediately contact SCR in the event that the cat is injured or becomes ill
- obtain 24-hour prior approval from SCR before taking the cat(s) to a veterinarian. Foster Parent agrees to pay for any veterinary services obtained without prior approval from SCR, or any veterinary services obtained from a vet clinic not authorized by SCR.
- never expose a SCR foster cat to an animal not listed under Question# 11 on the Foster

Application. Foster Parent must refrain from acquiring any new animals while fostering a cat for SCR.

- transport foster cat(s), should any transportation be required, in a sturdy carrier or crate, specially designed for safely transporting pets
- never leave a foster cat unattended in a car
- notify SCR in the event that the Foster Parent will be away from his or her home for a period exceeding 24 hours, so that care for the cat(s) in the Foster Parent's absence can be arranged
- return foster cat(s) to SCR at any time upon SCR's request, or at the end of the agreed upon foster period
- separate foster cat(s) from the Foster Parent's household pets in the event that they are not getting along, or any animals in the home begin to show obvious signs of illness
- never give or sign over the foster cat to any individual, shelter, rescue group, or other party
- immediately notify SCR in the event that a foster cat is seized/impounded by law enforcement or an animal care and control agency, and promptly instruct officers to contact SCR
- bring foster cat(s) to veterinary appointments as required by SCR
- schedule meetings with a representative of SCR to take place in the Foster Parent's home, no less than once per month, to discuss the foster cats' social progress and general welfare
- notify SCR in the event that the Foster Parent moves, and/or there are any changes in the foster parent's address or contact information

*Initial if you agree_____

2) SCR's Obligations

SCR agrees to:

- update foster cats' distemper and rabies vaccines, prior to and after placement in Foster Parent's home
- assume the cost of any essential items such as cat food, cat litter, and litter boxes, except where the Foster Parent has already purchased (or volunteered to purchase) said items, or the Foster Parent prefers expensive product brands not supplied by SCR. Foster Parent must notify SCR when supplies are needed. SCR will deliver supplies to the Foster Parent within 72 hours of the time they are requested.
- assume the cost of all past, present and future veterinary costs, other than where exceptions are noted in this Foster Care Agreement
- test cats for FIV/FLV prior to placement in Foster Parent's home. Proof of test results will be provided to the foster parent upon request.
- respond to any e-mails, voice messages, and Facebook messages from the Foster Parent within a 24-hour time frame

3) Lifetime Commitment and Euthanasia:

SCR makes a lifelong commitment to its cats. The Foster Parent shall not, under any circumstances, euthanize or have euthanized any cat that he or she has received from SCR. If a licensed veterinarian recommends euthanasia, the foster parent agrees to notify SCR before the euthanasia and speak directly with Rachel Pouliot (Owner) and provide the name and contact number of the veterinarian. The veterinarian and SCR will then discuss whether to euthanize.

*Initial if you agree _____

4) Ownership:

The Foster Parent acknowledges that ownership of all foster cats shall remain with SCR until such time as a proper adoption or transfer is completed. No foster cat may be adopted, transferred, or relinquished without written approval by an authorized representative of SCR.

*Initial if you agree _____

5) No Representations:

The Foster Parent understands and agrees that animals respond to situations differently and unpredictably. The Foster Parent understands and agrees that SCR makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, about the foster cat's health, behavior or temperament and that there have been no other representations or promises regarding the cat.

*Initial if you agree _____

6) Release:

The Foster Parent agrees never to bring claim or suit against SCR, or its representatives. The Foster Parent releases SCR and its representatives from all liability arising from the behavior or actions of the foster cat, or the behavior or actions of a potential adopter of any foster cat. The Foster Parent understands that this agreement discharges SCR and its representatives from any liability to the Foster Parent with respect to bodily injury, personal injury, illness, amputation, scarring, death, property damage or other loss that may result from the behavior or activities of the foster cat, or from the behavior or activities of the potential adopter of any foster cat.

*Initial if you agree _____

7) Indemnity Agreement:

The Foster Parent agrees to indemnify and hold SCR and its representatives harmless for all bodily injury, personal injury, illness, amputation, scarring, death, property damage or their losses, including attorney's fees and costs of litigation, that result to anyone else or any other entity because of the Foster Parent's negligence or liability. This includes lone acts or omissions by the Foster Parent as well as the combined acts of the Foster Parent with others.

*Initial if you agree _____

8) Other:

The Foster Parent expressly agrees that the release and indemnity agreements are intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law. The Foster Parent agrees that in the event that any clause or provision of this agreement shall be held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such clause or provision shall not otherwise affect the remaining provisions of this agreement. This is the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any other verbal or written statements, representations, or promises. All disputes under this agreement will be settled by binding arbitration.

*Initial if you agree _____

BY SIGNING BELOW, I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, UNDERSTAND IT, AND AGREE TO ITS TERMS:

Foster Parent's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

SCR Representative Signature: _____ **Date:** _____