

ADOPTION GUIDE

HOW TO ADOPT: MEETING PETS

Visitors should be expected to stop at the front desk to sign in and to receive instructions on how to meet at pet. Every pet has a card on the cage that they need to grab immediately if they would like to meet. For animals in the cat room and animals in the nurse, clients will be assisted by the staff member or volunteer in that space. We ask that clients bring the card to the front desk if there is no one in the room to assist.

**Prior to adoption, all pets in our program are spayed/neutered, up-to-date on vaccinations and have been behaviorally assessed!*

ALL OF THE PETS IN OUR ADOPTION PROGRAM ARE HERE UNTIL THEY ARE ADOPTED

ADOPTION PROCESS

So, you've found a new buddy, great! After meeting the pet you would like to adopt, we will have you fill out an adoption application and then sit down with one of our adoption counselors for an interview. All adopters must provide the following: A valid driver's license or age of majority card, with your current address or change of address card. If your ID or license does not have your current home address will require valid proof of residency. For example: A copy of your lease or mortgage, utility bill, medical or insurance bill with your name and current address will be requested.

Children: If there are children under 8 years of age in the household, they are encouraged to meet the pet prior to adoption. Other members of the household may also be required to meet the pet.

Dog-meet-dog: After a customer has selected a pet for adoption and completed their adoption interview, they are able to bring their current dog(s) to our facility to meet. The customer must bring a current rabies vaccination certificate for their dog(s) in order for them to meet. Your adoption counselor will explain this process to you if applicable. This process does not apply to cats, kittens or puppies.

Happy People, Happy Pets: We here at the Maryland SPCA are dedicated to making great matches. Our philosophy is Happy People, Happy Pets! If you find your adopted pet is not the right match for you, we encourage you to return the pet for a full refund of the adoption fee within 30 days of adoption.

ADOPTION FEES

Forget-Me-Nots: \$25 🐾 Dogs over 25lbs: \$150 🐾 Small dogs (up to 25lbs): \$275

Puppies (under 6 months): \$275 🐾 Cats: \$80 🐾 Kittens (under 6 months): \$125

**Adoptions include a free microchip and a personalized ID tag. Collars and leashes are available to purchase.*

**Per Baltimore City law, adopters residing in Baltimore City must purchase a pet license (\$10).*

ADOPTION HOURS

Monday - Friday: 1pm - 7pm 🐾 Saturday: 12pm - 5pm



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