



Chemung County Humane Society and SPCA
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Foster Care Application

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Do you: Own Rent- Landlord: _____ Phone: _____

A House Apartment Mobile Home

Please list any other pets in the home. Include: Type, gender, age, spayed/neutered.

Veterinarian: _____ Phone: _____

Please describe the general area where the animal(s) you are fostering will be kept.

Is someone home during the day? _____ If no, how long will the pet be alone? _____

Have you ever fostered animals before? _____ From the Chemung County SPCA? _____

Are you willing to let the CCHS/SPCA visit the animal at your home and make a home visit? _____

Do you have a vehicle readily available in case of emergency? _____

Do you have a working telephone line where you can be reached? _____

I am willing to foster the following: Please Check All that Apply

Cat with Kittens

Kittens

Sick Cat/Kittens

Adult Cats

Dog with Puppies

Puppies

Sick Dogs/Puppies

Adult Dogs

Other: _____

Are you willing to abide by all animal control laws with regard to your foster animals? _____
 Are you willing/able to bring the animal back to the shelter for check-ups and medical care? _____
 Are you willing/able to administer medications if required? _____

References:

Please understand that any references listed will be called by a staff member of the Chemung County SPCA. If you have other animals in your home, be sure that you included your veterinarian and phone number in the previous section since they will also be used as a reference.

Name	City	Phone
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

- ❖ As a foster parent, you will be required to keep your foster dog(s) on leash or enclosed (within a fence or in a home) at all times.
- ❖ Foster cats must be kept indoors at all times.
- ❖ By initialing below, you acknowledge that you are able and will abide by these provisions.

Initials: _____

I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that animals for which I provide foster care are kept safe and secure, and provided with requirements for their daily care and well-being.

I fully understand that this animal is in my care on a temporary basis only, and belongs to the CCHS/SPCA. I further acknowledge that the purpose of this foster care arrangement is solely to provide care for this animal, and that any decisions regarding the animal's health, treatment, or final disposition must be made or authorized by the Shelter Manager. I also agree that when the animal is ready to be made available for adoption, I will return it to the CCHS/SPCA. I further understand that there is a danger inherent in handling animals, and that I agree not to hold the CCHS/SPCA responsible for any injuries or loss sustained by me or others, which may be caused by the animal(s) I am fostering.

**By signing this document, I further attest that the information given is true and understand that giving false or incomplete information may result in my application being denied.
 I understand that this document will be retained by the SPCA.**

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Office Use:	Vet Check: _____	Home Check: _____
Home Visit: _____	Approved	Denied
Comments: _____		



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Important Questions to Ask Yourself About Fostering Animals

Are you able to get out to the Chemung County Humane Society quickly if we need you to pick up an animal to be fostered? We often do not get much notice!

🐾 Are you able to separate foster animals from your household pets?

Foster animals should remain isolated from your resident pets. You need to designate a certain room for them. We do not know what an animal may have been exposed to before coming into our care. Separating them helps prevent any disease exposure. It is for this reason that all residents' animals must be up to date on vaccinations.

🐾 Will you be able to spend quality time with the animal/s?

On average, you should plan to spend a minimum of 2-4 hours per day playing and socializing the animals that are in your care. This is so that they are ready for adoption upon return. Due to the high volume of people that the animals are exposed to at the shelter, socialization is vital to their successful adoption.

🐾 Can you commit to spending the entire foster period with the animal/s?

An animal may be in foster any where from a few weeks to a few months. Before taking a foster animal, we will go over the time period that we need you to commit to. It is helpful if you have a friend or family member that can look after your foster animals if you are going to be gone for a short period of time. In the event of an extended absence, we would ask that you bring the animals back to us and we will find them a new foster home.

🐾 Are you aware that there is a great deal of clean up when fostering?

Animals are a joy, but they also have the capacity to wreak havoc when they are unattended. Since most foster parents work 8 hour work days, it is important to know that your foster animals may mess in their crate or room.

🐾 Do you have transportation available?

It is very important to be sure that you have transportation available before considering fostering animals from the Chemung County SPCA. Transportation is mandatory for vaccination booster appointments, transporting the animals to be seen by potential adopters (by appointment only), and also in case the animal is sick and needs care immediately. The SPCA does not have the ability to transport animals to and from foster homes.