

Strawberry Persian and Pedigree Cat Rescue

## Please email completed from to: Strawberryrescue@outlook.com

## Pre adoption Enquiry Form Unpaid volunteer contact at Strawberry is Richard

The rescue will use this to assess if we have a cat in the rescue or comes into the rescue which may be suitable for you. Some cats may not be suitable as they have special requirements and it is not a reflection on what you may be offering. We do not place the cat with the first application unless it is a perfect match for the cat. We have the cats in our homes, not a cattery, so we have them safe and having any vet work done until the perfect match applies. The cats who have already lost one home, may need something specific which we think they will settle best in. We do not rehome to Scotland, as it is too far from any of our main fosterers. Please note that we may opt to do a home check (by a volunteer who lives near you), but we may not need one if you can provide photos of home and vet records of previous pets, but at adoption you will be asked to provide proof if id and address, as we have had people giving incorrect addresses previously. We don't rehome a cat with children under 6 or planning children SO PLEASE PLEASE DO NOT APPLY IF THIS IS THE CASE in your situation, AS WE DO IT FOR THE SAKE OF THE CATS, some come in as the cats hated children or when babies arrived developed behavioural issues (spraying, pooing on childs things and childs bed or carpet where child has had toilet accidents). Also many cats are not used to babies or children. All cats will scratch and bite depending on what has been done to them or if they are ill or scared. We do not home to people allergic to cats, we are looking for a stable unit of residents in the house as all need to be detailed and agree to the indoor only condition and precautions needed to keep a pedigree cat from escaping. We have no transport volunteers to bring cats to adopter and they cannot travel by public transport, so you have to organise with your own friends/taxi yourself at your cost.

A lifetime pet insurance policy is compulsory to adopt from us or you have to be able to show that you can afford cat illness/care as and when needed, we are finding it can be thousands of pounds to investigate one illness. This is compulsory for indoor cats too. Having a monthly plan with most vets does not cover illness/accidents.

We do not home cats to anyone allergic to cats or who wants one which will not moult.

### Your details - ALL FIELDS AS MANDATORY OR NA

Name:

Address :

Postcode :

Email Address:

Phone Number – MANDATORY

Date form completed:

Do you own your own house?

Are you allowed pets, can you show this at homecheck? If pets are allowed/ you have had previously without written consent – can you detail please?

What type and size of home do you live in?

Which parts of the home will the cat/s be allowed access to?

How often do you move? Include when you last moved and when you plan to move again.

Do you want an indoor cat?

#### INDOOR MEANS NOT GIVING CAT CHOICE OF GOING OUTDOOR – MANY PEDIGREE CATS GET STOLEN OR LOST OR RUN DOWN – IT DOES NOT MEAN YOU LET IT BE INDOOR IF IT WANTS TO BE OR WHERE YOU ONLY LET IT INSIDE AT NIGHTIME, that is not indoor only. Indoor only mean no windows or doors to be left open unless cat proofed, INCLUDING IN HOT WEATHER UNLESS CAT IS SHUT SECURELY OUT OF THAT ROOM. LITTER TRAYS ALSO THEN HAVE TO BE INDOOR. DOES ANY OF THIS CONCERN YOU – YES/NO?

We rehome very few outdoor access cats – so do not send us a form unless you have found a cat who can have outdoor access on our website. We rehome 99% of cats as strictly indoor only, For an indoor only cat, a safe catio is fine, and also if your garden is fully cat proofed (this does not mean just a fence), it means netted over top or a cat proofed top.

IF YOU LIVE IN A FLAT – THE CAT CANNOT BE ALLOWED ACCESS TO A BALCONY – UNLESS IT IS CAT-PROOFED , fully enclosed and netted over top of it. Do you have a balcony? YES/NO

Have you lived with a cat before? YES/NO

Have you had a pedigree cat before? YES/NO

If yes, what breed?

Have you had an indoor only cat before? YES/NO

How long are you prepared to give the cat a chance to settle or integrate with your other pets? Have you had to return any rescue cat after adopting? If returned, why?

When are you looking at adopt (timeframe – we don't hold cats for more than a week at busy times when space is short).

Do you plan to move home or have holidays planned? If so, when is this?

If you have holidays planned, who will care for your cat?

Did you ever allow any previously owned cat outside?

Have you had a cat disappear before/be run over? YES/NO

Are you near busy roads and if you do, do you have a porch/inner door to stop a cat running outside?

# Cat you are looking for

Are you happy to insure your pet with a lifetime policy (that covers a condition for not just that year but for a lifetime (you get 5 weeks free insurance at adoption to look at best options for you)? or show you are cover vet costs? YES/NO

Have you looked at adoption fee of the cats you have liked, as without adoption fees we could not save cats. The adoption fee funds most of our work as we are not like big rescues and we don't get inheritances or huge donations. We ask that you confirm that you can afford adoption fee for the cat and future vet bills? YES/NO

PLEASE NOTE ADOPTION FEE HAS TO BE PAID AT ADOPTION IN FULL

Are you prepared to feed the adopted cat on good quality food the cat is already on at rescue? If the cat is older, we recommend renal food to support their kidneys.

Breed of cats you may like and ideal colour if we have one?

Sex of cat – all will be neutered or spayed: Male/Female/Don't mind

Age of cat – anyone being flexible on age may give a home to a golden oldie is always much appreciated, as we never decline taking in older cats if we have room to take in at that time.

Would you adopt a cat on medication at time of adoption? YES/NO/SHORT TERM ONLY

What do you NOT want in a possible pet?

Are you looking for a very affectionate cat who will need love and your time?

Will you let a cat sleep with you?

# Humans in your house?

All humans must be listed, including their relationship to you and their ages?

What jobs do the adults do?

What hours do adults do with their job and any other commitments which mean being away or out of home for long periods?

Do you have young children stay over (we do NOT home with children under 6 who are resident at a home permanently)? Or visit regularly? YES/NO How often?

Can cats be put in a safe place during those visits, like child gates to keep children OUT of the cat safe room? YES/NO

Are visiting children respectful of cats? Have they lived with cats before?

Do you accept that cats are animals and may bite or scratch a child/adult? YES/NO

If you do have visiting children, do the cats have high levels, maybe cat frames or rooms that cat/s can escape to?

#### Animals in your house? - ages, sexes and if spayed/neutered?

Temperament of any pets you have?

Have they lived with cats before?

#### Are you current pets vaccinated? If Yes please list dates

# What diet do you feed any cats you currently have on? Please list brand of the food and if dry or wet.

#### We do not believe in cat treats unless healthy ones.

#### Are you happy to feed the Strawberry cat the food we recommend? YES/NO

Vets Details Name and address of vet:

If after a call from one of our team or approval for a cat - would you please ask your vet to send us the vet records for any pet you previously had at that vet? Just for the last 2 pets if enough if you have had various. Also, if all goes well, can you send us photos of your home please including all main rooms and the room the cat will be settled into?

#### Is there any other information you would like us to know?

We are unpaid volunteers and some forms do not come through for some reason and we can miss emails (as we are struggling with many experienced helpers poorly), so if you do not hear from us after 2 days please can you email us to chase. Please do not phone as we have no phone volunteers at all except Richard who tries to keep the 07722826935 number just for urgent cats needing us and does not have the time to return up to 30 calls a day wanting to chat about possible adoptions – a form is needed as the first step before someone will call you or reply by email. Calls about adoption to you will be from another volunteer most of the time and not from that phone number or from fosterers of the cats you are looking to adopt, who know the cat best.