

SOLANO COUNTY ANIMAL CARE

WEEKDAY OFFICE HOURS

Tue – Fri 10:00 AM –1:00 PM 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

WEEKEND OFFICE HOURS

Saturday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

WEEKDAY ADOPTION HOURS

Last Introduction at 5:30 PM Last Adoption at 5:30 PM

WEEKEND ADOPTION HOURS

Last Introduction at 4:30 PM Last Adoption at 4:30 PM

COST OF ADOPTIONS

Cat - \$80 adoption fee + \$10 microchip + \$10 rabies vaccine (if over 4 mos. old) = \$100.00 Dog - \$95 adoption fee + \$10 microchip + \$10 rabies vaccine (if over 4 mos. old) = \$115.00 Senior Pets (over 6 years old) - $\frac{1}{2}$ off adoption fee Dog License - \$20.00 - \$22.00



ADOPTIONS INCLUDE:

- Spay or Neuter Operation
- 1st Set of Vaccinations (excluding rabies)
- Animal Behavior Helpline
- Free Local Veterinarian Check-up



ADOPTION RETURN POLICY

If an adopted animal is returned to the shelter:

- Within 21 days of the adoption The adopter will receive a full refund of the cost of adoption (less the license fee, and leash or carrier).
- Greater than 21 days and up to 60 days The adopter will be allowed to return the animal but will not receive a refund.
- Over 60 days It is no longer an adoption return; it is now owner surrender. Therefore, the return will be at the discretion of the Animal Care Staff on a case-by-case basis. If the animal is not accepted as an owner surrender, the owner has the option of surrendering the animal as an "owner request put to sleep" (ORPTS) euthanasia. In either case, the owner is not entitled to any refund and will be required to pay the applicable surrender or euthanasia fee.



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For Adoptable and Lost animals, please check <u>www.solanocounty.com/animalcare</u> C:\Users\kwbloomfield\Desktop\ADOPTION PROCESS HANDOUT-New.doc



WELCOME TO SOLANO COUNTY ANIMAL CARE

ADOPTION POLICY AND PROCEDURE

NOTICE: If you are planning to adopt a dog from a shelter and you already have a dog in your home, we highly recommend that you vaccinate your dog with the Kennel Cough and Distemper/Parvo vaccines before bringing a new dog into your home. It is also advised to keep them separate for two weeks in case the new dog is carrying anything contagious that will show up under the stress of moving into a new home.

Feel free to browse through the **A Section Kennels**. Once you have chosen the animal that you wish to inquire about, please do the following:

- > Write down the ID Number (i.e. A102345) that is on the kennel card.
- > Bring the ID Number to the office staff to get any background & evaluation info.
- Complete the Entire 1st Page of the Application to do an Introduction.

When a "match" has been made and all <u>Adoption Approval Requirements</u> have been met, the adoption contract process and all fees are paid. **Allow at least 30 minutes per animal for the adoption contract process**. Any dog, cat or rabbit that is not currently altered must remain at the shelter until alteration is performed. Your new pet can be taken home the day of alteration between 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM. Please ensure you bring either a carrier or leash, as appropriate.

ADOPTION APPROVAL POLICY

- Be at least 18 years of age.
- > Have valid current identification showing age and residential address.
- > Be willing and able to provide loving attention, medical care and lifetime stability for your pet.
- > If renting or living with a parent, have the homeowner's/landlord's approval. We will call for approval.
- Any dogs currently residing in the home must be licensed. If not currently licensed, we have applications. A current rabies and spay/neuter certificate is needed as well as payment via cash or credit/debit card.
- If adopting a large dog and have a small dog at home, a dog introduction is recommended. Same goes with adopting a small dog with a large dog at home
- If adopting a dog, only one dog adoption is allowed at a time. A thirty (30) day waiting period from the date the last dog was brought into the home, is required before we will allow another dog to be adopted.

APPLICATION DECLINED DISCLAIMER

After review of the adoption application by an associate/volunteer, if it is determined that the pet you want will not be a good match, and we are unable to find a pet that will fit your lifestyle and commitment level, some alternative options are:

- A different species altogether may be a better fit (i.e. a cat rather than a dog; guinea pig rather than a cat.)
- Other Adoption Centers or shelters. Please ask an associate/volunteer for more information. If your situation changes in the future such as moving to a home where pets are permitted, or obtaining fencing

in your yard, please come back to our agency so we can help you find a new pet family member.