

Adoption Application: Small Animal

Thank you for your interest in giving a pet in need a loving home! Please note that due to COVID-19, the Guelph Humane Society is currently closed to members of the public. Adoptions will be conducted virtually using phone meetings and videoconferencing (e.g., ZOOM). We will not be able to invite adopters into the shelter to meet pets prior to adoption.

To be considered as a potential adopter, an adoption application must be completed and submitted. The adoption application form will allow the GHS team a chance to get to know your home, your lifestyle, and determine if the pet you have expressed interest in adopting may be a good fit. As applications are accepted 24 hours a day 7 days a week, adopters understand that multiple applications may be submitted for a single animal and that submission of an adoption applications does not guarantee adoption of a specific pet. Please note that due to limited resources, staffing and restrictions in place due to COVID-19, our adoption process is taking longer, and we ask for patience while we review all applications submitted in order to find our pets loving new homes.

Please email completed forms and any questions regarding the adoption procedure to adoptions@guelphhumane.ca. We sincerely thank you for your continued support during this time and hope that you and your family stay safe. Sincerely- The GHS Family.

I have read the above and understand the adoption procedure (check):

Name of Small Animal you are interested in adopting:	Animal ID (if known, usually found on GHS Website):
First Choice:	
Second Choice (if applicable):	

ADOPTER INFORMATION

Full Name:	Occupation:
Address:	Unit #:
City:	Postal Code
Primary Contact #:	Secondary Contact #:
Email Address:	

1. Please complete the chart for ALL human members of the household, including yourself:

First and Last Name	Age	Relationship to Applicant
		<i>Self</i>

Is everyone in the household aware that you have applied to adopt a small animal from the GHS? No Yes

2. Please list the current pets residing in your home:

Name	Species & Breed	Age	Sex		Neutered? Spayed?		Declawed		Indoor or Outdoor			Where did you get the pet?
			M	F	Yes	No	Yes	No	In	Out	Both	

What year was your pet(s) last seen by a veterinarian?

Describe the pets you've had in the past:

Have you ever had to rehome a pet? If so, please explain the situation:

3. What type of dwelling do you live in (e.g., house, apartment, condo)? _____

4. Where will your new pet's cage be in the home? _____

5. Please describe the cage and housing setup you will provide for your new pet (e.g., size, building material, bedding, etc.)

6. What do you plan to feed your new pet? _____

7. Do you plan to take your pet outside of the cage? No Yes

If yes, for how long each day? _____

8. Do you plan to breed your new pet? No Yes

9. Do you plan to let your pet outside? No Yes

If yes, describe the degree of freedom your pet will have and what precautions you'll take to ensure their safety:

10. Please describe your "typical day" with your new pet will look like:

11. Small animals are considered "exotics". Which veterinary clinic do you plan to take your new pet to, and have you confirmed with them that they provide services for exotic animals?

12. Have you done any research on potential medical concerns that can accompany the small animal you are planning to adopt? If so, what have you learned? _____

13. Please check which behaviors would cause you to re-home your new pet:

Being noisy	Chewing cords/furniture	Rough play/nipping	Hiding from visitors
Not litter-trained	Won't let you pick up	Conflict with resident pets	

14. Please describe the personality traits of the ideal small animal you are hoping to adopt: _____

15. The Guelph Humane Society has several small animals foster care, not currently advertised on the website. These pets are our "Special Souls". Our Special Souls pets have the paw-tential to be great companions but will need a home lots of love to give. If your first and second choice pet are no longer available for adoption- would you like to be put on our list to be contacted about our Special Soul Small Animals? No Yes

If Yes, what type of "Special Soul" would you be open to hearing about?

Senior/Mature Animal Bonded Pairs Special Dietary Needs

Thank you for your patience and understanding during these uncertain times. We look forward to speaking with you soon. Until then, stay safe and healthy!

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Date Form Received:	Date of Adoption Meeting:
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