

Cat Surrenders for West TN Animal Rescue

PLEASE CHECK, CIRCLE or FILL IN THE BLANK:

_____ I am the legal owner of this animal and can no longer care for it. By leaving this animal with WTAR I am relinquishing all rights of ownership.

_____ I found this animal and claim no ownership of it.

I understand that:

- 1) If I try to reclaim this animal I must go through the adoption process set forth by WTAR.
- 2) By surrendering this animal to WTAR I will not be able to determine its final disposition.

I have no knowledge that this animal has bitten anyone within the last 10 days _____
(please initial)

NAME: _____ PHONE # _____

ADDRESS, CITY, ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

We are VOLUNTEERS who spend untold hours caring for homeless cats. We honestly can only take easily adoptable cats. We have no desire to keep cats in foster care for more than a couple of months maximum. The more cats we adopt out to forever homes, the more we can save. Most of our cats are adopted via Petsmart's adoption center or via Petsmart on Saturdays. We are not able to take feral cats or even shy or timid cats, because the atmosphere at Petsmart is terrifying to them. We do not have the time or manpower to tame cats who are feral or to reassure cats who are miserable. The Jackson area is in desperate need of a group who will TRAP, ALTER and RELEASE feral cats. We already work MANY volunteer hours per day, and are doing the best we can by working strictly with cats who match a certain criteria.

It is incredibly rare that we take in a cat who is over 5-6 years of age. This is our policy because we have seen more mature, previously pampered cats literally starve and grieve themselves to death. Not only is it a miserable death for the cat, but also it is a wretched experience for the foster home. Cats are highly place-oriented and generally do not handle change well.

We do not pick up cats from surrenderers. Plans would need to be made ahead of time for the cat to be dropped at a foster's house or at our rescue vet in Jackson or Camden.

Please note: In order for WTAR to take in kittens, the mother cat MUST be spayed. We do NOT condone people allowing their cats to be virtual "kitten factories" as it is not fair to the unaltered cat or to us rescuers. WTAR has a low cost spay/neuter program if you cannot afford full price altering. We would prefer to take an entire litter rather than only one or two remaining siblings because giving away "free kittens" only creates more over-population problems in the future. It is only a quick-fix and not an answer to a huge crisis. WTAR never adopts out un-altered cats or kittens.

A MONETARY DONATION WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED per cat. Our cost to vet a cat far exceeds the adoption fee. This cost does not include ear mite medication, flea preventative or medications for infections etc.

Following are some things we need to know before taking a cat. Obviously, depending on the amount of time you have spent with the cat, some questions will be easier of more difficult to answer. Please be as thorough as possible~

Age or approximate age of cat? _____

Name of cat? _____

Please describe the cat (short or long hair? color? size?) _____

How long has the cat been in your care? _____

Reason for surrender? _____

How does the cat react to other cats? _____

To children? _____

To dogs? _____

How is the cat's temperament? _____

Easy going? _____ Laid back? _____ High keyed? _____ Jumpy? _____

How would the cat handle being confined in a kennel in the adoption center at Petsmart for a few days to a week while waiting to be adopted? _____

How would the cat react to being taken to Petsmart in Jackson on Saturdays, then sitting in a kennel at Petsmart all day hoping to be adopted, then packed back up and taken back to foster home after 8 hours if not adopted, quite possibly over and over again? _____

Will the cat enter a pet taxi easily? _____

Is the cat healthy? _____ * Runny eyes and or nose? _____ Limping? _____

Upper respiratory problems? _____ Anything else? _____

Where is cat accustomed to sleeping? _____

Does the cat have any behavioral issues? (litterbox problems, aggressive tendencies, etc.) _____

Is the cat declawed? _____

What is the cat accustomed to eating? _____

Favorite treat? _____

WE NEED A COPY OF ANY VETTING PERFORMED ON THE CAT

ANY info whatsoever (likes/dislikes) will be VERY helpful to us in order to find the cat a new home. Please elaborate: _____

PLEASE E-mail CLEAR pics of cat to Lapa@aeneas.net. Good face and body shots are needed.