



Barn Buddy Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ ID: _____

E-mail address: _____

Animal Shelter Name: _____ Animal Shelter ID#: _____

Do you currently own barn cats? Yes No
If yes, how many? _____

Do you own a dog(s)? Yes No
If yes, how many? _____

Have they been around cats before? Yes No

Describe where the cat(s) will be kept?

Is the building heated? Yes No

Do you have places in the building where the cats can hide? Yes No
i.e. bales, scratching post with cubby

Have you ever surrendered an animal to any type of rescue or shelter? Yes No

Have you ever given an animal away to friends, family, or a stranger? Yes No

Have you ever been denied an adoption from an animal rescue or shelter? Yes No

Have you ever been charged or convicted of a crime against animals? Yes No

****You will need to bring a carrier with you to transport your cat(s)****

Before Adoption:

- Have a designated and secure area with a heat source where they can stay for their first 2 - 4 weeks.
- Secure potential escape points like gaps in walls, loose boards, or broken window screens.
- Check the space for hazards like sharp edges, antifreeze, fertilizer, batteries, pesticides, or other things which could cause harm.
- Set up their space with bedding, food, water, and all other supplies they would need before they come home. Preparing ahead of time will let you release them and leave quickly so that they can explore at their own pace. Give them a place to hide.
- Let your neighbors know that you'll be getting a new cat in. This way they will not attempt to trap it and will know to expect that it may visit their property.
- Limit changes to the environment while your cat is still adjusting.

Recommendations:

- For the first month, it is recommended to limit their ability to roam to a designated shelter, such as a barn or garage, which is secure and provides for their basic needs while they settle in before letting them explore and roam more freely.
- Keep a routine. Provide daily meals of the same portion at the same time so you can monitor how much they're eating and how often they are coming out. Knowing what to expect and when will help them feel more secure.
- When entering their space, move slowly, speak softly, and ensure doors are secured behind you.
- Check-in regularly and monitor to ensure they are healthy.
- Have a plan in mind for how to safely transport your cat to a veterinarian, should they need care in the future, and consult with your vet on transportation suggestions.
- Monitor for: vomiting, diarrhea, lameness, or an ongoing lack of appetite. While their appetite may be low initially, they should be eating more regularly within 24-48 hours.
- Ensure their microchip information is up to date and remember to check for their microchip during vet visits.
- After the first month as your cat becomes comfortable in their space, you may notice more signs of activity, a more relaxed body posture, and increased engagement with you. At this stage, you can now give them access to explore their outside environment.

- Ensure there is a way for them to return to their space that doesn't require you to let them in. You can expect your cat to take day trips off the property as they explore their territory.

- Although you may not see your cat as frequently once they are roaming outdoors, it is important to continue to leave food and water available for them for when they do return home.

Note: It is not recommended to leave food out overnight as it might attract other animals or cats to your property.

Tails to Tell Animal Rescue Shelter Ltd. Reserves the right to delay or deny any adoption application. By signing this application, you certify that the information is current and correct. If any information is discovered to be false, whether intentional or unintentional, Tails to Tell may seize the animal until proof of correct information is provided.

Signature and Printed Name of Adopter

Signature and Printed Name of TTARS Representative

Date: _____

Thank you for your application. A member of the Tails to Tell team will be in touch with you shortly!