



## MetroWest Humane Society Adoption Agreement – Barn Cat

Barn cat adoption fee is \$30 per cat, or two for \$50.

### My Responsibilities as an Adopter:

I accept guardianship of the cat described as Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: on/around \_\_\_\_\_ Breed(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Color(s): \_\_\_\_\_

1. I will provide this cat with all of the necessities of life, including daily food and water, as well as shelter.
2. I agree to establish a relationship with a veterinarian and to provide this cat with appropriate health care, both to prevent disease and to treat injury or illness. As the guardian of this animal, I will assume responsibility for the costs of his/her medical care. Because rabies is a fatal disease that affects both humans and animals, and because current rabies vaccination is required by Massachusetts law, I will ensure that this cat remains vaccinated against rabies throughout his/her life.
3. To ensure that the cat is properly acclimated to his/her new environment, I agree to keep this cat confined in a crate, cage, or escape proof room or enclosure for 2-3 weeks following adoption. This space will be large enough to provide the cat adequate space for his/her food, water, litter box, and sleeping area without crowding; the minimum size being a large dog crate. After release, I will give the cat free run of the building and yards. The Humane Society will lend a cage for this purpose if I do not have a secure place.
4. While I hope to provide my pet a lifetime home, I recognize that my circumstances may change. In the event that I can no longer care for this animal, I will return him/her to the MWHS.
5. I agree that I will not hold the MWHS and its staff or volunteers responsible for any damage or injury to people or property caused by this animal.

### Our Commitment to our Adopters:

1. We care about the pets we place into our community and the people who adopt them. We are here to answer questions, hear your concerns, and to help you resolve problems. If we don't have the answer, we can refer you to someone who will.
2. While we always hope that our matches are made for a lifetime, we understand that circumstances change. The MWHS will always accept the return of any animal adopted from our shelters for any reason.
3. If the pet adopted from us proves difficult to care for because of health problems diagnosed within the first 14 days of adoption, we will accept the animal back to our shelter and gladly refund the adoption fee or work with the adopter to find a more suitable pet over the course of the next 30 days. Because our financial resources are limited and the demand for our services is great, we ask our adopters to understand that we will not reimburse them for veterinary expenses they incurred while caring for the animal.

**I acknowledge that I have read, fully understand, and agree to comply with the above adoption agreement.**

**Adopter's signature**

**Date**

Adopter's name (please print)	
Adopter's phone (home)	
Adopter's phone (work)	
Adopter's address	
Adopter's city, state, and zip	
Adopter's email address	

**MWHS Adoption Counselor**

**Date**