

Our goal is to find a loving, life-long home for each animal in our care. We strive to find the most suitable pet for each person and the most suitable home for each animal. To reach that goal we consider both the lifestyle and expectations of potential adopters and the personality and needs of each animal. We welcome the opportunity to help match you with a wonderful companion and ask that you keep in mind the following guidelines to adopting from the Florida Keys SPCA.

1. All potential adopters are asked to complete an adoption profile and provide a valid form of identification with a current address.
2. We adopt companion animals to be placed into a home setting. All animals must be provided with adequate food, water, shelter, exercise, veterinary care, and companionship.
3. Adopters will adhere to all City and/or County codes regarding animal ownership.
4. To comply with State law, all animals are required to have a rabies vaccination before leaving the shelter.
5. All animals will be spayed or neutered, microchipped and licensed before adoption.
6. Adopters must be 21 years or older.
7. No more than one dog per household may be adopted in a 30day period.
8. Adopters must provide proof that current housing allows for pet ownership, either in the form of property ownership, a lease agreement that allows pets, a signed landlord letter.
9. We ask that all cats remain indoors for their safety as well as the safety of wildlife. If you choose not to keep a cat indoors, we ask that you adopt an adult cat that has already been allowed to go outside.
10. To ensure that all members of the adopting household are in agreement with regards to the adoption of a particular animal, we ask that all members of the household, including dogs, meet and interact with the prospective new pet prior to adoption.
11. Adoptions cannot be made as gifts unless the recipient is present to interact with the animal and provide required information.
12. No adoptions will be made to an applicant who is suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or drugs during the time of application.
13. Any animals currently owned must be vaccinated against rabies and be licensed (where appropriate) before adoption is complete.
14. Cats that are currently declawed must be kept inside at all times.
15. No animal will be adopted to anyone with the intention of having the animal's ears cropped, tail docked, or declawed.
16. No dog will be adopted to anyone with the intention of keeping that dog chained.
17. Cats currently residing in a home should be tested for FELV/FIV prior to the introduction of a new cat into the household.
18. No adoptions will be made to any individual with a history of animal neglect, abandonment, or abuse.

Failure to adhere to policy agreement will cause ownership of adopted animal to revert back to FKSPCA.