

Eastern Shore Rabbit Rescue & Education Center, Inc.  
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## ADOPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

**Adopter Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** Street/Apt. \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ **Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Your Household

Please list family members and other people who live in your household, roommates, students, etc.

Name: _____	Age: _____	Name: _____	Age: _____
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Name: _____	Age: _____	Name: _____	Age: _____

The primary caregiver will be (check all that apply): ☐ Self ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do all members of your household favor having a house rabbit? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Undecided

Does any member of your household have allergies to animals or hay? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

How many hours per day are you typically away from home? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours

Please describe the level of household activity: ☐ Quiet ☐ Active ☐ Somewhere in between

Housing (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> Own	<input type="checkbox"/> Rent	<input type="checkbox"/> Live with parents	<input type="checkbox"/> School	<input type="checkbox"/> Military
<input type="checkbox"/> House	<input type="checkbox"/> Condo	<input type="checkbox"/> Apartment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile home	

Landlord's Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived at your present address? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you anticipate moving in the next two years? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please give us two personal references from people who can attest to your commitment to your animals:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Who is your current veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact him or her as a reference for you? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I don't have a vet.

## Hopes and Expectations

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Why did you select a house rabbit for a companion? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had house rabbits before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you have a rabbit now? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you looking for: ☐ a single rabbit ☐ a pair ☐ a companion for your bunny

Is there a specific rabbit in whom you are interested? \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in him or her? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been thinking about and searching for a rabbit? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the level of research you have done to date on rabbits and rabbit care:

☐ None yet

Information from: ☐ HRS ☐ Breeder ☐ Friend with rabbit experience ☐ House Rabbit Handbook

☐ Other books on rabbit care ☐ Preliminary internet research ☐ Extensive internet research ☐ Pet store

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Preferences

I want ☐ size: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs ☐ age: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ breed/color: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ a bunny I can hold

☐ a bunny who will sit in my lap

☐ a litter trained bunny

☐ an affectionate bunny

☐ an easy-going bunny

☐ a confident bunny

☐ a kisser

☐ a curious bunny

☐ a quiet bunny

☐ an active bunny

☐ a playful bunny

☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

I don't want ☐ size: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs ☐ age: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ breed/color: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ a bunny I can't hold

☐ a bunny who won't sit in my lap

☐ a messy bunny

☐ a chewer

☐ a digger

☐ a shy or scared bunny

☐ a rambunctious bunny

☐ a big shedder

☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Pet History

Please list all animals, including rabbits, currently in the household:

1. Type: _____	Age: _____	Sex: _____	Spayed/Neutered? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kept: <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside <input type="checkbox"/> Both	How long has he/she been with you? _____		
Where did you get him/her? _____			
2. Type: _____	Age: _____	Sex: _____	Spayed/Neutered? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kept: <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside <input type="checkbox"/> Both	How long has he/she been with you? _____		
Where did you get him/her? _____			
3. Type: _____	Age: _____	Sex: _____	Spayed/Neutered? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kept: <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside <input type="checkbox"/> Both	How long has he/she been with you? _____		
Where did you get him/her? _____			
4. Type: _____	Age: _____	Sex: _____	Spayed/Neutered? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kept: <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside <input type="checkbox"/> Both	How long has he/she been with you? _____		
Where did you get him/her? _____			

Please describe the animals, including rabbits, no longer in your household:

1. Type: _____	Age: _____	Sex: _____	Spayed/Neutered? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kept: <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside <input type="checkbox"/> Both	How long was he/she with you? _____		
Where did you get him/her? _____			
What happened to him/her? _____			
2. Type: _____	Age: _____	Sex: _____	Spayed/Neutered? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Kept: <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside <input type="checkbox"/> Both	How long was he/she with you? _____		
Where did you get him/her? _____			
What happened to him/her? _____			
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Kept: <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside <input type="checkbox"/> Both	How long was he/she with you? _____		
Where did you get him/her? _____			
What happened to him/her? _____			
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Kept: <input type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside <input type="checkbox"/> Both	How long was he/she with you? _____		
Where did you get him/her? _____			
What happened to him/her? _____			

Have you ever surrendered an animal to a shelter? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, please describe the circumstances: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you personally ever given away any of your pets? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, please describe the circumstances: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## On-going Care

**Current Rabbit Owners Only:** please describe their current diet, including amounts and frequency of feedings:

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What type of litter do you use? \_\_\_\_\_ How often do you change the litterbox? \_\_\_\_\_

**New bunny's proposed living conditions:** ☐ Undecided or need advice

Living Space: ☐ Cage: height\_\_\_\_\_width\_\_\_\_\_length\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Contained area: \_\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Free Roam

Location of living space: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of play time per day: \_\_\_\_\_ hours Amount of time with people per day: \_\_\_\_\_ hours

How much money per month are you willing to budget to care for your rabbit (e.g., regular expenses)? \$\_\_\_\_\_

How much money are you willing to spend in a medical emergency for your rabbit? \$\_\_\_\_\_

When you leave home on vacations or business trips, how will you provide care for your rabbit? \_\_\_\_\_

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If you lose the rabbit, what would you do to find him or her? \_\_\_\_\_

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What would you do in the event of a lifestyle change, such as a incurring a new family member; working more hours; getting a new pet; starting a new hobby; traveling more; or moving? \_\_\_\_\_

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Your comments or questions: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please check the boxes below to acknowledge:

- ☐ I have read the adoption contract terms on the next page. I am aware that the adoption fee is nonrefundable.
- ☐ I am 18 years or older.
- ☐ The rabbit(s) that I adopt will be housed indoors.
- ☐ I will take the rabbit(s) that I adopt to a rabbit-savvy vet for an annual checkup and vaccination, even if there are no obvious health issues.
- ☐ If I am no longer able to care for the rabbit(s) that I adopted from ESRREC for any reason, I will return the adopted rabbit(s) to ESRREC. I will not rehome the rabbit(s) myself.

*I hereby certify that all the information on this questionnaire is true, and I understand that false information may void an approved adoption and any future adoptions. I also understand that failure to comply with future requirements, such as veterinary care, could result in my inability to adopt more animals from this organization.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **ADOPTION CONTRACT TERMS (FOR REFERENCE ONLY)**

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### **Commitment:**

1. I understand that I am making a commitment to this rabbit for its lifetime of ten (10) years or more.
2. Should my life circumstances change; should the rabbit fall ill; or should other difficulties arise between us, I agree to work through such issues so that he/she may remain a member of my household.

### **Safety:**

1. In assuming responsibility for the above rabbit, I agree to never physically abuse him/her, nor will I allow any other person or animal to do so. I will always supervise any children when they are playing with this rabbit or when other animals are around this rabbit.
2. I agree to give the rabbit play and exercise time in a safe environment. I agree to bunnyproof my home.
3. I am adopting this rabbit as a house pet, and at no time will he/she be left outside overnight. I will supervise any outdoor play activity and provide protection from predators. I will monitor the outdoor temperature closely, as exposure to excessive heat or cold can be dangerous to the rabbit.

### **Health and Diet:**

1. I agree to provide this rabbit with a balanced diet with daily fresh food (pellets, unlimited hay, and vegetables) and fresh water.
2. I also agree to provide medical care to always keep this rabbit in good health.

### **Issues that may arise after adoption:**

1. I agree to work with this rabbit and with Eastern Shore Rabbit Rescue and Education Center (ESRREC) to overcome any behavioral issues that might arise with him/her so that we may live together in contentment.
2. Once this rabbit is adopted, ESRREC is not liable or responsible for any damage or injury caused by the adopted rabbit. I understand that health problems may arise in the future for which ESRREC or its representatives will not be held responsible.
3. I agree that ESRREC is authorized to remove this animal if he/she is not receiving adequate home care or is being endangered by lack of veterinary care, or if there has been a violation of the adoption agreement or any local anti-cruelty laws.
4. If I am unable to maintain this agreement, for any reason, I will return this animal to ESRREC in accordance with their policy.