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Cat Adoption Questionnaire

I am interested in: _____ Date: _____

How did you hear about this animal? Visit to Shelter Facebook PetFinder Other _____

Thank you for considering adopting from Isle of Wight County Animal Services (IOWCAS). You will be making a long-term commitment to the cat you're adopting, as typical lifespans can range between 6 and 14 years old depending on lifestyle. Our goal is to help find the best match possible for our cats, you and your family. The following questions are designed to help us achieve those goals. Please answer them honestly.

Adopter Information:

Name _____ Spouse/Partner Name _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email address _____ Alias: _____

About My Home:

Will you and your adopted cat be living at the address stated above? ___No ___Yes

If not, then where? _____

Do children live or visit your home frequently? ___No ___Yes If yes, ages of children _____

Do you: ___Rent ___Own a: ___House ___Townhouse ___Condo ___Apartment ___Mobile Home

If you rent, please provide name of Landlord: _____ Phone: _____

If you rent, live in a mobile home community, or in military housing, we need to speak to your landlord see a copy of your lease. To speed the process, please have a copy of your lease when finalizing.

I have a(n): ___Fenced yard ___Invisible fence ___Outside Cattery ___Cable/runner

References: List two references that would testify to your ability to care for an animal:

Name _____ Phone _____

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Have you previously adopted from a shelter? ___No ___Yes If so, when? _____

Do you still have the animal? ___No ___Yes If not, why? _____

Have you ever surrendered an animal to a shelter? ___No ___Yes

If yes, why? _____

My Preferences for Adopting a Cat:

It is important to me that my new cat is: _____

My cat needs to be good with: ___Men ___Women ___Infants ___Small Children ___Teenagers ___Elderly
___Frequent Visitors ___Dogs ___Other Cats ___Small Animals (Birds, Rabbits, Etc.) ___Livestock

Why do you want a cat? ___Addition to the family ___Pet for home ___Gift for someone ___Barn Cat
___Hunter ___Service Animal ___Companion for another pet ___Other _____

Have you owned a cat before? ___No ___Yes **Do you still own cats?** ___No ___Yes **If yes, how many?** _____

I am looking for: ___Male ___Female ___No preference

In the age range of: ___Kitten (1 yr. & under) ___Adult (2 -6 yrs.) ___Senior (7 & up) ___No Preference

What personality are you looking for in a cat: ___Playful ___Energetic ___Lazy ___Lap Cat ___Shy
___Laid Back ___"One Person" Cat ___Highly Social ___Affectionate

Where will your pet live? ___Always outside ___Always Inside ___Mostly Inside, Outside when needed

Where will the cat be kept when no one's home? _____ **How long will your cat be left alone?** _____

Are you prepared to litter box train? ___No ___Yes **Are you planning on declawing?** ___No ___Yes

Are you prepared to spend \$400 -\$700 a year (food, medical, vet care) for this pet? ___No ___Yes

How will you train your pet or correct inappropriate behavior such as litter box issues or scratching?
___Google Advice ___Buy Scratching Post ___Declawing ___Changing litter/litter box style(s) ___See a Vet
___Adding additional litter boxes ___Returning to the Shelter ___Other _____

Under what circumstances would you give up this pet? _____

Would a behavior or health issue (such as FIV/FeLV or Lack of House Manners) deter you away from finalizing this adoption? ___No ___Yes **If yes, list a "deal breaking" issue:** _____

Vet History:

Do you currently have a veterinarian? ___No ___Yes **Are your animals up to date with shots?** ___No ___Yes

Vet Clinic _____ **Location** _____

Please list all pets that you have owned in the past 5 years:

Name	Species & Breed	Spayed/Neutered	Indoor/Outdoor Pet	Still own?	Where is the pet now?

As we cannot prevent you from declawing your cat, we want to strongly urge you to try other alternatives before you resort to surgery. Not only are the costs high, but we often have declawed cats turned into our facility for litter box and behavioral issues. These issues are often caused by the phantom pain, anxiety and stress resulting from the declawing process and restriction of natural cat behaviors (i.e. scratching, kneading and hunting). As always, seek advice from your primary veterinarian before making any final decisions.

I certify that the survey questionnaire and the above information is true to the best of my knowledge

Adopters signature: _____ **Date:** _____

OFFICE USE ONLY: (staff initial once complete)					
___PetPoint	___Google Maps	___Landlord	___Vet Check	___Reference	___Meet & Greet
___APPROVED	___DENIED & WHY	_____	_____	By	_____