

Health Records and other important facts

The first day! Now you are furever home.



Finding the right match is no small thing. Congratulations, you've found a friend for life!

All you want to do it enjoy your new family member, but take a bit of time soon and fill in some important info. You may need it later!

LET'S START WITH YOU. YUP, THE HUMAN.

It is always a good idea to let someone know where this book can be found. Just in case you get stuck out of town, or some other unforeseen event keeps you from caring for your little friend, this can be a guide and resource. You may also want to share this with any petsitter who cares for your friend.

The more complete and accurate your records are, the easier it will be for a caretaker or vet to help your animal in case of an accident or illness. We humans have memories prone to forgetting details! And if we change veterinary practices, we may not have easy access to medical histories.

So here we go!

Your name:

Your phone number:

An emergency contact name (for instance, close friend, relative):

Your emergency contact's phone number:

Section 1

AND NOW FOR THE BEASTIE! (THE FUZZY ONE. SWEETIE-FACE.)

Let's start at the very beginning.

What was your animal's name at the rescue/shelter?

What organization did you adopt your animal from?

How can someone reach that organization? (email, phone, any particular person's name, etc)

What kind of animal are we talking about? Rabbit? Guinea pig? Chinchilla? Someone else?

Does your animal have a special breed?

Do you know your animal's birthday?

How old was your animal when you adopted?

Do you know how much your animal weighed?

Section 2

Did your animal already have 'THE SURGERY" before coming to live with you (spay/neuter)?

Do you know when the spay/neuter was done/ how old your animal was at the time?

Did the adoption paperwork tell you anything about your animal's likes, habits, or other personality traits?

Did the adoption paperwork tell you anything about your anima'l's health? Any concerns, infections, stuff like that? Had your animal received any medical care or medications while in the rescue/shelter?

GO AHEAD AND PASTE SOME PICS IN. WE KNOW YOU WANT TO.

Section 3

General Care food and stuff.



You'll want to keep this section up to date, so check it regularly. Diet and habits change over a lifetime!

THIS IS WHAT MY ANIMAL EXPECTS.

My animal eats at these times each day:

For each feeding time, please give:

Breakfast:

Lunch:

Dinner:

Bedtime snack:

Water is important, so my animal gets fresh water from a nicely washed bowl at least once every day.

Treats are permitted in this amount:

All the food and supplements are located:

The litter box gets cleaned out this often:

My animal likes it best if you use this much litter:

And please also put this much hay in the litter box as well:

The litter is located here:

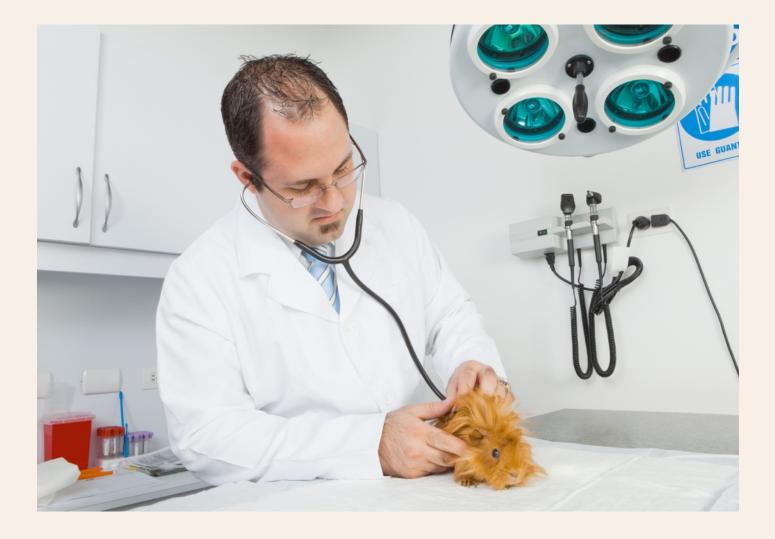
Please remember to put the litter box back in the same exact place. Small animals are very picky about this, and moving the box can cause all kinds of mayhem.

My animal likes to have a certain blankie, toy, or some other comfort item. Please make sure this is in the pen:

Favorite games to play:

Stuff to watch out for (escape artistry, chewing fleecies, stuff like that):

Medical Info Everything veterinary



Small animals have good reasons to go to the vet even when nothing is wrong teeth checks, general wellness checks, advice as they age. Keep it all in one spot, and you'll be in good shape!

OUR VET WHO WE TRUST FOR MEDICAL CARE.

We call rabbits and guinea pigs and chinchillas small animals. In the veterinary world, though, small animals are dogs and cats. Our animals are called "exotics", and it is very important to find a good exotics vet to care for your animal. If you don't know one already, ask your rescue!

Name of my vet:

Name of the veterinary clinic or practice:

Phone number:

The full address including zip code is:

If there is a medical problem after hours, we need to go to the emergency animal hospital.

We use this one:

This vet there is good with animals like mine:

Their phone number is:

Their full address, including zip code, is:

VET VISIT NOTES

EVERY VISIT, SINCE ADOPTION.

Here, you can either fill in the pages and/or tuck the printout the veterinary office gives you right in.

It will be very helpful over time to track these details, and you will be glad you have a full history.

We are providing only a few pages - you will need more. We suggest making copies of the pages, and just adding more in as needed. Always leave one blank for copying purposes.



Name of veterinarian:

Reason for visit:

Any medications the animal is currently on, and dosages:

Weight:

Heart rate:

Respiration rate:

Hydration satisfactory?

Skin/coat check:

Dental check:

Blood work?

Fecal exam?

Urinaalysis?

Any imaging done?

Any cultures done?

Any other tests done?

Any other procedures done?

What the doctor found:

The plan (medications, specific care, special diet) with dosages, frequency, and instructions on administration:

Any meds that must be refrigerated?

Prognosis:

Follow-up needed when:

ATTACH LAB RESULTS AND OTHER INFO HERE.

(YOU MAY WANT TO INCLUDE PICTURES OF RECURRING SKIN ISSUES, THINGS LIKE THAT, FOR FUTURE COMPARISON).

All the details habits, likes, dislikes, fears, and favorites.



All the little details are important. Here is everything I can think of to tell you all about my animal, all the quirks and things that make him (or her) special.



Favorite toys:

Favorite treat:

Words he or she knows:

Where he or she likes to sleep:

His or her typical bed time:

He or she wakes up around this time:

These things scare him or her:

With other animals he or she is (cautious, playful, grumpy, etc.)

He or she does not like these other animals:

She goes to the groomer this often, and here is the name and number for appointments:

I cut his or her nails myself and he or she is OK, GOOD, UPSET) about it:

Write any additional things here:

If anything happens to me HERE IS WHO TO CALL.



We all hope never to need this section, but if you are reading this, know that I have tried to include as much information as possible to make the transition easier on everyone involved. All the paperwork is in place, and here is the contact information for everyone who will need to know what has happened.

Chapter 5

Short-term caregiver until the permanent caregiver can arrive:

Name:

Phone number:

Email address:

Full address:

My attorney's information:

Name:

Phone number:

Email address:

Full address:

The designated primary caregiver for my animal is:

Name:

Phone number:

Email address:

Full address:

If that person is unable, the secondary caregiver is:

Name:

Phone number:

Email address:

Full address:

Paperwork is in place to take care of any legalities and expenses. The attorney and caregivers all have what they need.

Thank you so much for helping my animal get to a new home.