



# CatzRus Adoption Contract

*Thank you for adopting from us – we couldn't keep rescuing without you*

**This is the final step before you take your new cat or kitten home with you!**

**Please supply us with the following paperwork:**

1. The adoption contracts (Page 2 & 3 for us to keep and Page 4 & 5 for you to keep):  
- signed by all parties and witnessed by the foster parent of the cat/kitten.
2. Proof of Payment
3. Copy of your ID document
4. Proof of Residence
5. Pet Permission Letter from all the parties involved if the property is not your own (i.e. Body Corporate and/or property owner/landlord).
6. If your cat or kitten is not yet sterilised (spayed or neutered) at the time of adoption, please complete and sign the sterilisation agreement.

**NOTE:** *If any vaccinations are still due under the adoption fee, please make arrangements with the foster mom. CatzRus will **only** cover vet costs if the cat is taken to a CatzRus vet.*

**Once all the paperwork has been received, it's preparation time:**

1. Arrange an adoption **date** with the foster parent of your cat/kitten.
2. Find out what **food** the cat is eating. We strongly recommend veterinary diets. If you wish to transition your cat onto other vet food, please do it gradually to prevent tummy upsets.
3. **Prepare your home, property and family** for the new arrival. Put mesh over windows and gates as necessary. Educate children and domestic workers not to open windows in the first weeks. Please do all you can to prevent the heartache of a lost kitten. Contact us if kitty escapes – we have some experience in recapturing escapees!
4. On adoption day, please remember your **secure cat carrier** to transport your new family member. It's a big day for them and a cat carrier is essential for their safety and yours.
5. **On adoption day you will receive:**
  - a) Your new cat to love and cherish for a life-time.
  - b) The cat's vet card. Please note the dates for future vet care (sterilisation, vaccinations).
  - c) A micro-chip sticker which can be found in the vet card. (PLEASE CHECK IT IS THERE)
  - d) Your copy of the adoption contract.
  - e) Your copy of the sterilisation agreement (if the cat is not yet sterilised).
  - f) Please remember to transfer the microchip into your name asap after adoption!

**(NB PLEASE REMEMBER TO ASK THE FOSTER MOM FOR CHANGE-OF-OWNERSHIP INSTRUCTIONS)**

## **Cat/Kitten Adoption Package: R950**

This includes:

- sterilisation • de-worming • microchip
- 3 vaccinations: core vaccinations at 8 weeks and 12 weeks, and the 1st rabies vaccination at 12 weeks  
(***Please note: post-adoption vaccinations at 6 months are not included in adoption fee***)

*It doesn't cover the cost of the test for Feline AIDS (FIV) & Leukemia Virus (FeLV) which is administered to all our adult cats. We would be grateful if you are able to make an extra donation of R180 if your cat has received this test.*

## **CatzRus Banking Details:**

(Please pay after your adoption application is approved.)

Account Name: CatzRus

FNB Account Number:

6246 5866 427

Branch:

Menlyn Maine

Branch Code:

250 655

Reference: FosterMom And FosterNameOfCat





13. I accept that CatzRus SA or any person authorized by CatzRus SA may undertake a **post-adoption visit** to ensure that the above conditions are complied with, subject to 48 hours' notice being provided. I specifically agree to this visit occurring and to working with the volunteers of CatzRus SA in this regard;
14. Should the cat at any time be found in a condition which is deemed in contravention of any of the above, or of any governing law in effect, CatzRus SA or a representative appointed by CatzRus SA reserves the right to apply for the removal of the cat, based on the provisions hereof, alternatively to report mistreatment to the relevant authorities;
15. I accept that CatzRus SA tests its cats for **Aids and Leukemia (FIV/FelV)** on an ad hoc basis and upon veterinary recommendation. The status of the cat has been disclosed to me prior to adoption, and I have been given the option to test at an additional cost of R180.00. I have **DECLINED / REQUESTED** this testing (**please circle your choice**);
16. I accept that there are a **number of risks** involved in **adopting a rescue kitten**. Their medical histories are usually unknown and they often come out of severely compromised environments. I acknowledge that, upon handover, **my cat/kitten is in good health** without any obvious signs of trauma or illness;
17. I understand that CatzRus recommends keeping the new cat/kitten isolated from my existing cat(s) for a period of 10 days, and I will not hold CatzRus responsible for any illness or injury to my existing cats resulting from introducing too soon or without appropriate precautions;
18. I understand that CatzRus SA will be willing to negotiate with me regarding **veterinary bills resulting from a pre-existing illness or condition** for up to ten days after the adoption takes place, but I will accept full responsibility thereafter. I understand that in order for this to be facilitated, I will need to contact CatzRus as soon as the cat/kitten falls ill, and I will need to make use of a CatzRus approved vet so that 'rescue rates' will apply. I also understand that CatzRus is a charity funded entirely by donations, and I undertake to try keep these costs as low as possible, as guided by the CatzRus vet who treats my new cat/kitten;
19. If a vet concludes that a medical issue arising within 10 days of adoption is a result of something that happened to the cat after the cat was transferred to my (the adopter's) care, I understand that the veterinary costs will be to my account.
20. If there are any complications from a later sterilisation done by a CatzRus vet, the costs will be borne by the organisation for up to 10 days after the procedure.
21. CatzRus is kindly sponsored by Royal Canin and Hills who cover some food costs and provide a kitten packs from time to time. I hereby **GIVE / REFUSE** (**please circle your choice**) CatzRus permission to give my contact details to these sponsors.  
*(We would be most grateful if you would allow this. Our volunteers have to pay for foster-kitten food, and occasionally these companies will give us free cat food in return for contact details, which is very much appreciated. If you would prefer that we do not pass on your details, please consider donating a bag of veterinary cat food to us – thank you!)*

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**I have read and fully understand the conditions above, which I accept unconditionally**

Full name & signature of the person who will be responsible for the day-to-day care of the cat: _____ _____	Full name & signature of the person who will be financially responsible for the cat (if different): _____ _____
Date:	Place:
Witnessed by the Foster Parent: _____ (to be signed by foster parent)	

We're POPI Act compliant. By signing, you give us permission to store and use your data as laid out in our policy (available on request)

# CatzRus Adoption Contract (Adopter's Copy)

We really do want the best outcomes for everyone involved. This contract is for your benefit, our benefit and the protection of the cat. Thank you!  
(It is not necessary for you to initial this copy)

Name of Cat(s)/Kitten(s)
Name of Foster Parent:
Date of adoption:

## ADOPTION TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I, the undersigned, undertake, warrant, understand and confirm as follows:

1. CatzRus SA reserves the right to refuse an adoption if deemed necessary;
2. CatzRus SA reserves the right to adjust the adoption fee from time to time;
3. I understand that should the **adoption be unsuccessful**, no refund will be given by CatzRus SA or any person/persons affiliated with the organization;
4. CatzRus SA **cannot be held responsible** for the health and temperament of the cat following adoption and **is not liable for any damage** caused by the cat to any person/persons or personal items;
5. Should the **adoption be unsuccessful**, I will **contact** CatzRus SA before placing the cat in someone else's care. I understand that CatzRus SA does not have a shelter, and taking back the cat will depend on available space in a foster home;
6. I will give the cat a **fair chance to adjust** (at least one month) to his/her new home and will gradually introduce the cat to any other family pets;
7. I can **afford** and will provide the cat with all **necessary veterinary care**. I will keep annual vaccinations up to date, as well as provide regular flea treatment and de-wormer. I will keep the cat **well fed**, and in **healthy condition** at all times. In this regard I record that I am aware that Royal Canin, Hills or Iams or approved vet diets remain the recommended options;
8. I accept that adopting a cat/kitten is a **commitment that lasts for the lifetime of the cat**. My decision to adopt has been well thought through, and I will treat the cat as part of the family, and not as a disposable item;
9. I record that I am aware that the funds I have paid to CatzRus SA are in relation to the "Adoption Package" as defined above and that CatzRus SA is not responsible for other care relating to the cat but only for the contents of the "Adoption Package";
10. CatzRus SA **sterilises the kittens at 12 weeks**, before they are homed, or as soon as possible, thereafter according to veterinary advice.. Should the kitten(s), for whatever reason, not be sterilised before they leave the care of CatzRus SA, I will ensure that the kitten is **returned on the recommended date for his or her sterilisation at a CatsRus approved vet**, alternatively, I shall ensure sterilisation, at my own cost, through a reputable vet;
11. At the time of sterilisation, I undertake to send a photo of the sterilisation certificate to the foster mom of my kitten to prove that sterilisation has been done. I understand that non-compliance in this regard will give CatzRus the right to remove the cat from my care until after surgery since non-sterilisation is at the root of all the heartbreak and cat-overpopulation issues that CatzRus exists to prevent and reduce;
12. I will ensure that my property is securely enclosed for the safety of the cat, and undertake that I shall not knowingly allow the cat to roam the streets, be in contravention of any Body Corporate or other rules which may impact on the cat's safety. I will provide accommodation for the cat inside the house;
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