



**Manatee County
Animal Services**
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WORKING CAT APPLICATION

We appreciate your interest in adopting a working cat. Completing this application is the best way to assure a positive experience for both you and the animals. By applying, you are under no obligation to take a working cat, nor is Manatee County Animal Services under any obligation to place a working cat within your care.

For a cat not suited to household living, barn/warehouse life might be his/her best option for a happy life. If you have barns or outbuildings, your home might be a perfect place for these cats. They thrive in an outdoor environment, but need the same basic care as a household cat. Things to keep in mind when considering adopting a *Working Cat*:

- They must be enclosed within the outbuilding/barn for two weeks while they adjust to their new surroundings
- They must have shelter from the elements, as well as food, water and bedding
- Until a cat is comfortable in its new home, it may appear scared or unhappy, so please be sure to give him/her their space
- After their adjustment period, they must have free access in and out of the outbuilding/warehouse/barn and go as they need

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____

1. _____ I will provide physical care for this animal, including food, water, appropriate shelter, and veterinary medical care as necessary. I agree not to use physical punishment to train or discipline this animal.

2. _____ I understand that the cats I am adopting are working cats. A working cat is type of domestic cat that “works” for its upkeep by deterring vermin, such as rodents. They are commonly employed where pest control is needed: in workings, farms, factories, warehouses, stores, churchyards, and private property. I understand that this cat is not a lap cat or a socialized cat.

3. _____ I will provide appropriate veterinary care including all recommended vaccinations and treatment necessary in maintaining this animal’s good health. I also agree that I will not subject this animal is mutilation, including declawing, tail-docking or ear-cropping.

4. _____ I expressly understand that MCAS places the animal with no warranty as to the physical condition or temperament of the animal. Adopter accepts this animal as is with all defects, either observable or unobservable, and assumes all risk for such animal from the date of signing this contract.

5. _____ I assume all responsibility for the animals’ actions after the effective date of this Adoption Contract. I agree to hold MCAS and its Representative harmless from any and all liability associated with any illness of the animal, or damage or injury caused here-after by said animal.

6. _____ I agree to comply with all the Laws & Ordinances relating to the ownership, licensing, and treatment of an animal that are in force and effort in the political subdivision in which I live.

7. _____ I agree to allow MCAS to a home visitation.

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____