

Important things to think about when adopting a new pet:

5 Reasons Pets Are Returned To Shelters

1. **ALLERGIES** What would you do if allergies develop in you or a family member?
Solutions: Frequent Vacuuming
Frequent pet grooming
Air filter system
Special medications
Dietary adjustments
Remove animal from sleeping quarters
2. **LIFE CHANGES** Do you have a plan for this animals future in the event of re-location, divorce or a new baby?
3. **LITTERBOX/HOUSEBREAKING PROBLEMS** Are you willing to work through this problem?
Solutions: Frequent litter cleaning
Controlled confinement
Humane training techniques
Medical needs/medication
Animal behavioral counseling
4. **TYPICAL BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS**

CATS: Scratching furniture Jumping on counters Eating, digging in houseplants Some Solutions: Water spray bottle Scratching post Spay/neuter	DOGS: Snapping/nipping Jumping Chewing Scratching doors Excessive barking Some Solutions: Controlled confinement Fencing Training Spay/neuter
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5. **NOT ENOUGH TIME FOR ANIMALS** Have you thought about your schedule and if you have time for a pet?

This is a legal contract between you and the Enid SPCA, please read and sign each of the following...

- If not already completed, I agree to have this pet altered when requested by the Enid SPCA _____
- Failure to comply with the above will result in SPCA confiscating the animal _____
- I will seek veterinary care when needed, and keep vaccines current on my new pet _____
- I agree to consent to follow-up visits and inquires to check on my new pet _____
- I will not TRADE or GIVE AWAY my new SPCA pet without SPCA approval for 12 months post adoption _____
- The SPCA reserves the right to reclaim this animal if appropriate care is not being given _____

Signature _____