

Adopters Welcome: Pet care information and handouts for adoption counselors

Use these resources and adopter handouts to help your adoptions team respond to common questions about pet care, veterinary needs and behavioral support.

General pet tips

- [How a microchip can you keep you and your pet together](#)
- [How to find a pet sitter](#)
- [How to find a veterinarian for your pet](#)
- [How to keep pets warm in cold weather](#)
- [How to live with allergies and pets](#)
- [How to remove pet stains and odors](#)
- [Microchip basics](#) (handout)
- [Plants and foods that can be poisonous to pets](#)
- [Protecting your pet from heat](#)
- [Tips for caring for a senior pet](#)
- [Tips for renting with pets](#)
- [Travel safely with your pet](#)
- [What to do if you can't afford your pet](#) (handout)
- [Why and when you should spay/neuter your pet](#)

Dog-specific tips

- [Conjunctivitis in dogs](#) (handout)
- [Heartworm and dogs](#)
- [How to calm a dog with separation anxiety](#)
- [How to choose a dog collar](#)
- [How to crate train your dog or puppy](#)
- [How to find a dog trainer or obedience class](#)
- [How to find a lost dog](#)
- [How to get your dog to stop barking](#)
- [How to get your dog to stop digging](#)
- [How to groom your dog at home](#)
- [How to make your new dog feel welcome](#)
- [How to remove ticks from dogs](#)
- [How to stop your dog from destructive chewing](#)
- [How to stop your dog from jumping up](#)
- [How to stop your dog from peeing in the house](#)
- [Introducing dogs](#)
- [Keep your dog from running away](#)
- [Positive reinforcement training for dogs](#)
- [Puppy teething](#) (handout)

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- [Resource guarding in dogs](#)
- [Separation anxiety \(handout\)](#)
- [What to do if a skunk sprays your dog](#)
- [Why are dogs afraid of thunder?](#)

Cat-specific tips

- [Bringing home a new cat](#)
- [Building or buying a catio \(cat patio\)](#)
- [Cat declawing \(handout\)](#)
- [Catnip and cats](#)
- [Colds in cats \(handout\)](#)
- [Ear mites in cats \(handout\)](#)
- [Guide to Cat Behavior Counseling](#)
- [How to choose a cat collar](#)
- [How to find a lost cat](#)
- [How to find a lost cat \(handout\)](#)
- [How to introduce cats](#)
- [How to introduce cats \(handout\)](#)
- [How to keep your cat entertained indoors](#)
- [How to litter train a cat or kitten](#)
- [How to trim your cat's claws](#)
- [Introducing your cat to your new baby](#)
- [Pregnancy and toxoplasmosis](#)
- [Resolving conflict among cats](#)
- [Signs of mouth diseases in cats \(handout\)](#)
- [Stop your cats from destructive scratching](#)
- [Teach your kitten not to bite](#)
- [Understanding cat behavior and feline language](#)

Other species

- [Chickens: Adopting pet chickens](#)
- [Ferrets: Can ferrets make good pets?](#)
- [Gerbils: Would a gerbil make a good pet for you?](#)
- [Guinea pig feeding and dietary needs](#)
- [Guinea pig housing](#)
- [Guinea pigs: Would a guinea pig make a good pet for you?](#)
- [Hamsters: Would a hamster make a good pet for you?](#)
- [Rabbits: Is a rabbit the right pet for you?](#)
- [Rats: Is a rat the right pet for you?](#)