



Upper Peninsula Animal Welfare Shelter  
Adoption Guidelines

Thank you for considering adopting from UPAWS! We are here to help you find a great match for your life and family.

Please read the following applicant guidelines and initial.

Let us know if you have any questions.

For approval of your application, the adoption must be in the best interest of both the person(s) adopting, and the animal. UPAWS may deny your application for this specific animal if, in our judgment, it is not the best fit for the animal. \_\_\_\_

We will do our best to provide a same day adoption, but depending on available staffing and the specific animal, your application may take up to 2 days to process. \_\_\_\_

All cats, dogs and rabbits are spayed and neutered before leaving UPAWS. \_\_\_\_

You must be 18 years of age to adopt an animal. Please have ID available. \_\_\_\_

It may be required that everyone in the household meet the animal prior to adoption, including any resident dogs. \_\_\_\_

Applications are reviewed on a first come first serve consideration. Being first for the animal will not necessarily guarantee adoption. \_\_\_\_

In some cases UPAWS may ask for you to return a number of times to visit the animal to assure a good fit. \_\_\_\_

Some specific animals may require special adoption procedures, such as home visits, wait periods, return visits, advance applications, specific housing or commitment to training.

Other unique requirements may be suggested depending on the specific situation or animal's needs. \_\_\_\_

UPAWS is committed to meeting the needs of the animals and the applicants. Please let us know what we can do to help you find your new friend.

Good luck in your search and we hope you find the love of your life

