

WHY NOT TO RABBIT



THE MOST COMMONLY REPORTED "REASONS" RABBITS ARE ABANDONED

THE KIDS AREN'T TAKING CARE OF HIM ANYMORE

Kids are usually unprepared to be responsible for pet, especially one that requires as much care as a rabbit. Parents will have to be the caretakers and overseers of how the bunny is cared for. Please be a responsible parent and be prepared for the time and effort it will take.

MY CHILD IS ALLERGIC; I'M ALLERGIC

Please find out if you or your child has an allergy BEFORE adopting a rabbit.

I HAVE A NEW CAT / DOG / BABY SO I CAN'T KEEP THE BUNNY ANY LONGER

Multi-species households can coexist peaceably. Please evaluate your plans and decide if it's a good time to bring home a new pet.

I'M TOO BUSY; I DIDN'T REALIZE HOW MUCH WORK A RABBIT WOULD BE; HE DOESN'T GET THE ATTENTION HE DESERVES

Do you have three hours of free time each day? Rabbits need at least 2 hours of exercise every day. Set aside around an hour for clean-up, and to groom, feed and water your bunny.

MY LANDLORD SAYS I CAN'T KEEP HIM; I'M MOVING TO A PLACE THAT DOESN'T ALLOW PETS.

Pets are family. Remember this before bringing a pet into your home. Are you prepared to change your life to care for another living being just as you would a child?

HE'S GOTTEN "TOO BIG"

No one remains a baby. Think about this before bringing a baby bunny home, or better yet adopt an already full-grown rabbit from a shelter.

HE'S AGGRESSIVE, DESTRUCTIVE; HE SCRATCHES/BITES; HE MAKES THE WHOLE HOUSE SMELL

Learn what rabbits need and how to care for them. See the House Rabbit Handbook, www.rabbit.org and rabbitron.com.

WE ARE GOING ON VACATION AND CAN'T TAKE HIM WITH US

Pet ownership doesn't stop when it becomes inconvenient. Please find a suitable pet-sitter or kennel for your bunny when going out of town. A rewarding relationship with your bunny can only develop over time.

HE'S SICK / INJURED; WE'RE NOT GOING TO PAY \$50 DOLLARS FOR A PET THAT COSTS \$15 DOLLARS

When you bring home a pet you are making a promise that you will care for him the rest of his life. If you cannot make a promise like this do not bring home a pet. Pets are family members.

THE SCHOOL YEAR HAS ENDED AND NOBODY WANTS HIM

Classroom/daycare rabbits are not good for the kids or for the rabbit. Please stop the inhumane practice of keeping classroom pets.

