

Apple Wood Rescue, Inc.  
Rat Care Pre-Adoption Questionnaire

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**Care Questions:**

1. What is the average life span of a rat?  
5-10 weeks    2-3 years    15-20 years    5-6 months
  
2. Should rats have rodent blocks available to them at all times? Why?  
Yes    No
  
3. Do rats require baths?
  
4. Are rats as trainable as a dog? Why?  
Yes    No
  
5. Can you pick a rat up by its tail? Why?  
Yes    No

Rats can overheat easily.

6. What is the maximum temperature a rat should be in?
  
7. Should a rat cage be in direct sunlight? Why?  
Yes    No

Play time is very important for the well-being of rats.

8. What is the minimum amount of play time required?
  
9. How much time will you be willing to give?
  
10. Do you have a safe place picked out for play time? If so, please explain the space.

**New Home Questions:**

1. Do you have any other animals in your home? If so, please list all species and breeds.
2. Who will be the primary caregiver for the rat?
3. Are their children under the age of 5 in the household?
4. Is anyone in the household allergic to animal dander or aspen bedding?

**Veterinarian Questions**

Rats require check ups by an Exotic Veterinarian once a year.

1. Do you have a Veterinarian lined up that cares for Exotics?\*
2. What do you think is the average cost for an exotic wellness check?

Adopter: \_\_\_\_\_

Apple Wood Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*This Rat has already been seen by Dr. Summar at Homestead Animal Hospital, 6900 S. Holly Circle, Englewood, CO 80112, (303) 771-7350. Please feel free to contact them with any questions.