## Apple Wood Rescue, Inc. Syrian Hamster Care Pre-Adoption Questionnaire

## **Care Questions:**

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

Syrian hamsters can overheat easily.

- 6. What is the maximum temperature a Syrian hamster should be in?
- Should a Syrian hamster cage be in direct sunlight? Why?
  Yes No

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

- 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 Syrian hamster?
- 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**

Syrian hamsters 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 Syrian Hamster 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.