

The Visiting Rabbit Experience Forms (updated 10/14/2016)

Bunnies in Baskets™ Visiting Rabbit Team (VRT) Registration Checklist

- 📄 Complete the Bunnies in Baskets course "The Visiting Rabbit Experience"
- 📄 Complete online training under VRT Training on www.bunniesinbaskets.org:
(Zoonoses, Universal Precautions, Caregiving Support)

Checklist:

- Bunnies in Baskets Registration Test
- Visiting Rabbit Team (VRT) Veterinarian Health/Behavior Evaluation (for EACH rabbit)
- Responsible Rabbit Owner Promise
- BIB Volunteer Agreement
- 2-Hour Training Visit Log
- BIB Policies/Expectations & Core Values Statements
- BIB Registration

*Send by email 2 full-body photographs of the rabbit(s) and human to
info@bunniesinbaskets.org.*

*Bonded rabbit pairs that may visit together should be photographed both together and
separately.*

Send the above with a check payable to Bunnies in Baskets OR pay online through the
www.bunniesinbaskets.org donation button.

Please include a completed copy of this test with your BIB Registration.

Bunnies in Baskets™ Registration Test Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

1a) Describe the appearance of your rabbit(s) when healthy.

b) Describe the behavior of your rabbit(s) when you would describe him/her/them as "relaxed around strangers."

c) Describe the behavior of your rabbit(s) when you would describe him/her/them as "eager to meet people."

2a) How does/do your rabbit(s) show he/she/they want/like petting and/or handling?

b) How does/do your rabbit(s) demonstrate he/she/they have a level of health and temperament suited for interactions with people?

3a) Describe the behavior of your rabbit(s) when you would describe him/her/them as "stressed."

b) Describe the behavior of your rabbit(s) when you would describe him/her/them as "fearful."

c) Describe the behavior of your rabbit(s) when you would describe him/her/them as "aggressive."

4a) How can your rabbit(s) provide socialization benefits and communication opportunities for people?

b) How can your rabbit(s) provide comfort or a sense of purpose?

5a) What are some ways your rabbit(s) can provide positive interactions and serve as a source of support and diversion?

b) Discuss your response: The death or retirement of your rabbit has generated feelings of grief in program participants.

6. Please describe your response to these possible situations:

a) Program participants are starting to act possessive of your rabbit(s)---creating an atmosphere of competition rather than social cooperation.

b) Others perceive that your rabbit(s) has/have rejected them.

7. Please describe your response to these possible situations: A program participant expresses concern that your rabbit(s) may cause human injury, or will transmit disease (from animal to person OR from person to animal). A program participant expresses concern that your rabbit(s) may cause allergic reaction.

8. Please describe your response to these possible situations:

a) A staff member/program participant wishes to bring you his/her unwanted pet rabbit-- within the hour.

b) A staff member/program participant states that he/she wants to buy a therapy rabbit--JUST like yours.

c) A staff member/program participant states that he/she wants to buy your visiting rabbit.

d) A staff member/program participant states that he/she wants to buy a rabbit for his/her children.

e) A staff member/program participant wants to know how to "make his/her pet rabbit act like yours."

Thanks!

Bunnies in Baskets™ Veterinarian Health/Behavior Evaluation

Please include this completed form in your registration and make a copy to carry with you. Each rabbit requires a separate evaluation (although they can be completed at the same time).

The 2-Hour Visit Log and BIB registration must be completed within 6 months of the date of this veterinarian evaluation.

Owner's Name: _____ Rabbit's Name: _____

Did the rabbit appear healthy and clean? _____

Did the rabbit accept handling? _____

Did the rabbit accept petting? _____

Was the rabbit comfortable and/or gently controlled by the handler? _____

Did the rabbit seem to like and relate to people? _____

Did the rabbit struggle, fight, scratch or bite? _____

Describe the rabbit's temperament:

curious

outgoing

not aggressive

not fearful

relaxed

non-threatening

other: _____

Do you believe this rabbit would enjoy visiting as a visiting therapy animal? _____

Do you recommend this rabbit & owner be included in Bunnies in Baskets™? _____

Overall Health Examination: ___Pass ___Not Pass

Optional Comments:

Veterinarian's Signature _____

Date _____

Please attach business card here:

RESPONSIBLE RABBIT OWNER PROMISE (based on AKC pledge) & Bunnies in Baskets™ VRT Agreement

As a rabbit owner and BIB certified/registered Visiting Rabbit Team, I do solemnly swear:

- 🐰 I will never overlook my responsibilities for this living being. I recognize that my rabbit's welfare is totally dependent on me.
- 🐰 I will always provide fresh water, quality hay, and appropriate foods for my rabbit. I will socialize my rabbit regularly and continually seek to create and maintain a trusting relationship.
- 🐰 I will take pride in my rabbit's appearance with regular grooming. I will take my rabbit to the vet at least once a year (more often if necessary). I will properly dispose of my rabbit's waste. I will ensure that the proper amount of exercise and mental stimulation (appropriate for my rabbit's age, breed and energy level) are provided.
- 🐰 I am responsible for all my rabbit's actions at all times, including but not limited to financial or physical injury.
- 🐰 I will consider safety at all times.
- 🐰 I will keep a barrier (blanket/towel) between human and rabbit when rabbit is held outside of the basket.
- 🐰 I will continue learning about rabbits and BIB visiting standards. I will only bring a clean, groomed, parasite-free and healthy rabbit or bonded pair of rabbits on any visit.
- 🐰 I will retire my rabbit(s) if aging, illness, disability, or behavior problems decrease the rabbit's level of tolerance or enthusiasm for visiting. If this occurs, please notify Bunnies in Baskets.
- 🐰 I understand that to the public, my actions, words, and choices represent the Bunnies in Baskets nonprofit organization, and all visiting animals. I will abide by Bunnies in Baskets policies and procedures.

Signature_____ Date_____

Parent Signature (if under 18)

Signature_____ Date_____

Bunnies in Baskets™ Volunteer Agreement

- By my signature on this document, I assume all liability from any cause that may arise out of or in connection with Bunnies in Baskets, including, but not limited to all liability from any cause whatsoever for personal injury or property damage; all liability from any cause whatsoever for contribution or indemnification; and all liability from any cause whatsoever that may arise out of, in connection with, or during the time of services provided for Bunnies in Baskets.
- I release and hold harmless Bunnies in Baskets, its directors, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, assigns, successors (known hereafter as protected parties) from all liability from any cause whatsoever as described above.
- By this document, I assume all liability as described above that existed at the time of the execution of this document and all liability from that time forward into the future until such time as this nonprofit organization shall execute in writing a document revoking this document.
- By this document I release and hold harmless the protected parties from all liability from any cause whatsoever as described above that existed at the time of the execution of this document and all liability from that time forward into the future until such time as this nonprofit organization shall execute in writing a document revoking this document.
- This waiver does include myself, all family members, friends and descendants forever from seeking any legal action whatsoever against Bunnies in Baskets or it's successor organizations or any representatives thereof.

Dated _____ Signature _____

Print Name _____

(if minor, signature of parent or legal guardian below)

Dated _____ Signature _____

Print Name _____

2 Hour Bunnies in Baskets™ Training Visit Log

Completed by Visiting Rabbit Team

Rabbit(s) Name(s) _____

Human's Name _____

Visit ___ Date _____ Time _____ AAA_ AAT_ HASS_

Facility _____ Location _____

Activities:

Comments:

Rabbit(s) Name(s) _____

Human's Name _____

Visit ___ Date _____ Time _____ AAA_ AAT_ HASS_

Facility _____ Location _____

Activities:

Comments:

Rabbit(s) Name(s) _____

Human's Name _____

Visit ___ Date _____ Time _____ AAA_ AAT_ HASS_

Facility _____ Location _____

Activities:

Comments:

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Bunnies in Baskets™ Policies and Expectations

- 🐰 Your rabbit(s), basket(s), blankets and all supplies must be clean and neat.
- 🐰 If other rabbits are present, be cautious. Keep intact rabbits apart from each other. Let rabbit(s) greet each other if rabbits seem interested. Separate at first sign of dominance. Decide on your "treat policy" before the visit. You may also carry your own treats or you may decline treats altogether.
- 🐰 Stay with your rabbit(s) at all times and continually observe. You are the only one who can "speak" for your rabbit(s).
- 🐰 If your rabbit shows signs of stress or irritability (or needing a change in environment), politely make a change or reschedule your visit. Your rabbit's comfort, security, safety and health come first.
- 🐰 Take "cooling off" breaks when the temperature is warm. Feel your rabbit's ears to gauge. (HOT = needing a break)
- 🐰 Carry BIB ID for you and your rabbit(s). Bring extra blankets and supplies.
- 🐰 Maintain a barrier (blanket, towel, etc...) between any rabbit and any person when rabbit is held. Accept that some people may not wish to touch your rabbit. Maintain confidentiality. Maintain personal and professional boundaries.
- 🐰 Always knock or announce yourself before entering any resident's space.
- 🐰 Always ask if the person would like a visit with a rabbit. Some people may not want a rabbit close to the face. Some people may not want to be "kissed" etc...
- 🐰 Teach people how to touch your rabbit appropriately (top of the head to the tail). Be polite, but remember that your rabbit comes first. Do not let a person touch your rabbit under the chin, or in front of the face.
- 🐰 Treat each person respectfully. Be fair and try to include everyone in the room.
- 🐰 Report anything "out of the ordinary" to a staff person.
- 🐰 Respect and abide by the facility's rules and regulations at all times. emotionally detached. Redirect awkward or inhumane conversations. Use "teachable moments" to politely offer humane education when possible.
- 🐰 Be open, honest, empathic and interested in the lives of people you visit.

- 🐰 Keep your appointments. Do not make promises you cannot keep. (It's better to add a couple of minutes to the end of a short visit than to "overstay" a long visit and risk stressing your rabbit.)
- 🐰 Maintain your role as a supportive friend rather than an expert or authority.
- 🐰 Share stories about yourself and your animals.
- 🐰 Observe Universal Precautions at all times! WASH YOUR HANDS, and carry hand sanitizer.
- 🐰 In the event of an incident, email BIB at info@bunniesinbaskets.org as soon as possible and call 360-890-8981.

Core Values

- 🐰 **I welcome the uniqueness and honor the diversity of every person and animal.**
- 🐰 **I communicate openly and act with integrity.**
- 🐰 **I develop my talents and abilities.**
- 🐰 **I reach out to people in need and offer comfort.**
- 🐰 **I nurture the well-being of one another and those I visit.**
- 🐰 **I believe every person and every animal has the right to the basic goods of the earth.**
- 🐰 **I join with others to work for the common good.**
- 🐰 **I set the highest standards for myself and for my service.**
- 🐰 **I celebrate and encourage the contributions of others.**
- 🐰 **I strive to care wisely for people, animals, resources and our earth.**

I understand and abide by these policies.

Signed Name.....Date.....

Printed Name.....

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Signed Name.....Date.....

Printed Name.....

Bunnies in Baskets™ Registration

One VRT = one person and one rabbit OR one person and one bonded pair of rabbits.

Please fill out a separate application for EACH VRT.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone Numbers _____

Birth Date _____

Driver's License Number _____ State ____ Expiration Date _____

Automobile Insurance Information (Company and Policy #)

Describe your rabbit(s) coloring and temperament:

I allow the descriptions (and hometown), comments, and/or pictures of me and my rabbit(s) to be posted on the Bunnies in Baskets website and for any educational/promotional purposes.

Rabbit #1 Name _____ Birthday (if known) _____




Spayed or Neutered? _____

Rabbit #2 Name _____ Birthday (if known) _____

Spayed or Neutered? _____

Bunnies in Baskets™ Fees

BIB VRE Class and 2 Year Registration for:

-  One adult and one rabbit OR one bonded pair of rabbits: \$20.00
(additional rabbit or pair of rabbits requires a separate application)
-  One person under age 18 and one rabbit OR a bonded pair of rabbits: \$10.00
-  Each additional person trained to handle your rabbit(s): \$10.00

ID Charge: \$2.00

Total Enclosed _____

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2 Year Bunnies in Baskets™ RENEWAL:

- 🐰 Visiting Rabbit Team (VRT) Veterinarian Health/Behavior Evaluation
- 🐰 BIB Registration

One adult and one rabbit OR one bonded pair of rabbits: \$20.00
(additional rabbit or pair of rabbits requires a separate registration)

One person under age 18 and one rabbit OR a bonded pair of rabbits: \$5.00 Each
additional person trained to handle your rabbit(s): \$5.00

ID Charge: \$2.00

Total Enclosed _____

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