Petco Habitat Helpers' Responsibility

Volunteers who wish to clean the Petco habitat must provide Alaina Hickman (402-850-5542 or alainahickman@gmail.com) their contact information such as cell phone and E-mail address.



- 2 Emergency contact number if a cat or kitten is sick, telephone number of American Animal Hospital (402-493-6767) located at 11030 Emmet St, Omaha, NE 68164. All cats medical records should be provided by the foster parent and placed in the medical record folder.
- Volunteers will contact foster parent, Alaina Hickman, or Larry Shackman if they observe a problem with the cat or kitten. If a cat or kitten has not been eating for two days immediately call the foster parent, so they can be picked up and returned to their foster home.
- Volunteers will clean litter boxes (with level's designated scoop), brush up loose kitty litter (with level's designated brush/dust pan) in habitat, disinfect habitat in areas where stool is outside the litter pan, change water in water bowls, add food to food bowl with food for specific cats.
- Volunteers will put cats or kittens in one bay of the habitat and clean the other three bays. Do not leave open habitat doors unattended. The sliding doors can be opened by the cats.
- Once a week Deep clean: Volunteers will disinfect the entire level of the habitat, wash out food and water bowls, empty and disinfect litter pans and replace with fresh litter (1-2 inches deep), whenever cats or kittens are removed and prior to the introduction of new cats or kittens to the habitat. Cage cards are to be wiped clean in order to provide information about the replacement cat or kitten.
- To get a key to the habitat ask for the store manager and tell the manager you are a volunteer with Feline Friendz to clean the habitat. When done cleaning and prior to returning the key to the store manager. Make sure the sliding doors between sections are open and all doors are locked. The Habitat Key is only to be returned to a Petco Manager.
- If a volunteer is unable to clean the habitat on their assigned day immediately contact Alaina Hickman so other arrangements can be made. If possible, please provide at least 24 hour notice if you are unable to clean the habitat on your assigned day.
- If you take cats or kittens out of the habitat to hold them, watch out for dogs going in and out of the grooming area. The cats or kittens may react in an unexpected ways. Feline Friendz does not want you or the foster cat injured. All children should be in a seat when holding a cat.
- If you are bitten by a cat or kitten and blood is drawn, contact Alaina Hickman and seek medical attention for the bite. There are animal handling gloves located in upper storage accessed through the back of the Habitat.

