



## WORKING CATS FAQ

Working cats are often **Community Cats**, not family pets. These cats are under socialized and do not thrive in a traditional home placement or shelter environment. These cats love to spend their lives helping to control your barn, warehouse, corporate campus, plant nursery or other places with a rodent and pest population. All they ask in return is shelter, food, water, and care. Best of all, giving these cats jobs, saves the lives of homeless pets who otherwise would not be suitable for adoption!

All adoptions are completed on a first come, first serve basis. No cats are placed on hold for adoption.

Description of cat breeds is solely based on visual appearance. The actual breed of any cat may be different than its “looks like” designation. VVAPL makes neither a guarantee nor representation as to the true breed of the cat nor any connection between the described breed and the pet’s temperament.

### Working Environments

Working cats can work in many different environments and are happy to relocate to wherever you need them. They would love to help with pest control in barns, stables, breweries, hardware stores, warehouses, factories, churches, greenhouses, nurseries, and more.

### What Working Cats Require

- Shelter in a permanent building or structure where they will be safe. Their shelter could be in a barn, stable, garage, warehouse, or shed. It is ideal that this shelter is away from busy roads. You would not want a worker’s compensation claim on your hands, would you?!
- Fresh food, clean drinking water, and litter supplied daily.
- Time to acclimate. Remember- Everyone needs a little bit of time to adjust to a new job. Working cats are no different. They will need 3 to 4 weeks to acclimate to their new environment.

The adoption fee for any age Working Cat is \$10, which includes:

- Spay/Neuter
- RCP (Distemper) and Rabies (cats over 4 months)
- Ear Tipped

For more information on our Working Cats Program, please contact VVAPL at [shelter@vvapl.org](mailto:shelter@vvapl.org) or call us at 760-247-2102.