



# **SMOKING POLICY**

## **– Foster and Adoption –**

Small Angels Rescue, Inc. is committed to the health and wellbeing of all of our rescue animals.

Our commitment extends to both the animals' time in foster care and in their permanent adoptive homes, and we reserve the right to decline any foster or adoptive home that we feel does not provide a healthy environment.

As such, it is our policy that no rescue animals will be placed into foster or adoptive homes in which any member of that household smokes or in which past smoking has occurred (in the past 5 years or less).

Even when smoking takes place outside the home, the lingering odor of cigarette smoke on the hands, clothes, and hair of the smoker can still be harmful to animals. Small animals have sensitive respiratory systems and are highly susceptible to respiratory infections and other pulmonary diseases. These are triggered or worsened by poor air quality environments such as smoking.

Some flexibility regarding this policy may be applied at the discretion of animal coordinators.

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