

Terms of Service for Cat Connect

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Welcome to Cat Connect! We are a platform dedicated to connecting people, shelters, and cats for a better future.

These Terms of Service ("Terms") govern your access to and use of the Cat Connect website, services, and applications (collectively, the "Service"). Please read these Terms carefully. By creating an account or using our Service, you agree to be bound by these Terms and our Privacy Policy.

1. Description of Service

Cat Connect is a platform designed to facilitate the rehoming and adoption of cats. We provide tools for animal shelters and private sellers ("Sellers") to list cats available for adoption, and for potential adopters ("Adopters") to find and connect with them. Our service includes features like user profiles, matchmaking preferences, direct messaging, and a community forum.

Cat Connect acts as a venue and is not a party to any agreement or transaction between Adopters and Sellers. We do not own, sell, rehome, or transport any cats. We are not responsible for the health, temperament, or history of any cat listed on our Service.

2. User Accounts & Eligibility

To use most features of the Service, you must register for an account. You agree to:

- Provide accurate, current, and complete information during the registration process.
- Maintain the security of your password and accept all risks of unauthorized access to your account.
- Promptly notify us if you discover or otherwise suspect any security breaches related to the Service.

You may register as an "Adopter," a "For-Profit Seller," or a "Non-Profit Shelter." Each account type has different features and may be subject to different subscription plans, as outlined on our "Choose Your Plan" page.

You must be at least 18 years old to create an account and use the Service.

3. Fees and Payment

- **Adopters:** Browsing listings is free. Access to certain features, such as the community forum or advanced contact options, may require a subscription ("Adoption Pass").
- **Sellers:** Non-Profit Shelters may be eligible for a free account. All requests for Non-Profit Shelter status are subject to review by the Cat Connect team. This status can be revoked at any time at our discretion if we believe the account does not meet our criteria for a non-profit organization. For-Profit Sellers are required to purchase a monthly subscription to list cats.

All payments are processed through a secure third-party payment processor (e.g., PayPal). By providing payment information, you agree to the terms of our payment processor. Subscription fees are billed on a recurring basis and are non-refundable except as required by law. You can manage or cancel your subscription from your profile page.

4. User Conduct and Responsibilities

All users agree not to:

- Violate any applicable law or regulation.
- Post false, misleading, or inaccurate information about yourself or any cat.
- Engage in any fraudulent activity, including scams or misrepresentation of a cat's health or lineage.
- Harass, threaten, or otherwise violate the legal rights of others.
- Use the Service for any purpose other than to facilitate the responsible adoption of cats.

For Sellers: You are solely responsible for the accuracy of your listings, including photos, descriptions, health records, and adoption fees. You confirm that you have the legal right to rehome the cats you list and that you are in compliance with all local and national laws regarding animal welfare and sales.

For Adopters: You are solely responsible for your decision to adopt a cat. We strongly encourage you to perform due diligence, including asking questions, requesting veterinary records, and arranging a meeting before finalizing an adoption. You are responsible for providing a safe, loving, and permanent home.

5. Content and Licensing

You retain all rights to the text, photos, and other content you post to the Service ("Your Content"). By posting Your Content, you grant Cat Connect a non-exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free license to use, display, reproduce, and distribute Your Content

in connection with the Service.

6. Termination

You can delete your account at any time through your profile settings.

We reserve the right to suspend or terminate your account without notice if you violate these Terms, or for any other reason at our discretion. Upon termination, your right to use the Service will immediately cease.

7. Disclaimers and Limitation of Liability

The Service is provided on an "AS IS" and "AS AVAILABLE" basis. Cat Connect makes no warranties, express or implied, regarding the Service or the cats listed.

Cat Connect is not liable for any disputes, injuries, or damages arising from interactions between users or from the adoption of any cat. Our liability to you for any cause whatsoever will at all times be limited to the amount paid, if any, by you to us for the Service during the term of your subscription.

8. Governing Law

These Terms shall be governed by the laws of Germany, without regard to its conflict of law provisions.

9. Changes to Terms

We may modify these Terms at any time. We will notify you of any changes by posting the new Terms on the site. Your continued use of the Service after any such change constitutes your acceptance of the new Terms.

10. Contact Us

If you have any questions about these Terms, please contact us at:
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