**SPCA Accepting Limited Number of Online Adoption Applications**

**Dartmouth, Nova Scotia** – The Nova Scotia SPCA will be offering adoptions by appointment only beginning Tuesday, May 12, 2020. Each shelter will have up to five appointments per day available for those who complete the online adoption process.

Families interested in adoption can visit [www.novascotiaspca.ca/adoptionprocess](http://www.novascotiaspca.ca/adoptionprocess) to learn about the process and view animals available for adoption. If they find a pet that matches their lifestyle and household, they can continue to complete the online application and additional screening questionnaire. A matching process will consider the pet’s needs so animals have the best chance of being successfully placed in permanent homes. The interested adopter will then be contacted to schedule an appointment to view the animals.

“We want to keep staff, animals and adopters safe during this difficult time,” says Sandra Flemming, Provincial Director for Animal Care at the Nova Scotia SPCA. “Only people with an appointment will be admitted to the building. The appointments will be spaced to allow for appropriate cleaning between visitors. We trust the public will respect our need to find good homes for our pets while maintaining social distance and limiting contact for essential animal care staff.”

Adoption is a rewarding experience that comes with long-term responsibility and commitment. Each family should evaluate whether they are ready to welcome and care for a new pet.

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**About the Nova Scotia SPCA**

Proudly following no-kill principles, the Nova Scotia SPCA is a registered charity that helps companion animals in need. Every year, more than 16,000 pets are helped through animal rescue, progressive programs, and rehoming opportunities. Their shelters do not receive any government funding, so the SPCA relies on community support to help care for local pets in need. To learn more visit [www.novascotiaspca.ca](http://www.novascotiaspca.ca)
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