**HSWM Non-negotiable Adoption Guidelines**

**HSWM adoption criteria for adopters:**

* No animals will be knowingly released to an individual with a history of animal abuse and/or neglect including absence of medical intervention resulting in suffering.
* No animals will be knowingly released for animal fighting and/or human attack.
* Animals will be surgically altered prior to leaving except there is a medical/behavioral reason.
* No dogs will be knowingly placed to be an outside dog where he will be chained with no substantial mental and physical stimulation.
* No four paw declawed cats will be knowingly released to live outside.

**HSWM adoption criteria for shelter animals:**

* Animals with unpredictable aggression to humans and/or other animals are excluded from adoption.
* Animals with unmanageable severe and/or chronic illness or injuries may be excluded depending on the likelihood of successful medical treatment.
* Animals with unmanageable severe anxiety resulting in habitual escape, chronic elimination and/or extensive destructive behaviors are excluded from adoption.
* Any dogs with prior bite history of level 4 and above will not be placed for adoption due to likely poor prognosis and safety concerns.