#### Welcome to the Happily Ever After Rabbitry Family!

Thank you for choosing a bunny from Happily Ever After Rabbitry! We're thrilled for you to begin this journey, and we want to help your new little one transition smoothly into your home.

With your bunny, you should have received:

- Alfalfa hay
- Transition feed
- A nail clipper
- A sample of our homemade baby bunny treats (safe for young rabbits, available to purchase anytime)
- A sample of our **botanical hay topper** (also available for future purchase)

# **Feeding**

- **Transition feed:** Mix the feed we provided 50/50 with your own pellets and gradually transition over the next week.
- Pellets: Offer 1/8 cup twice daily.
- Hay: Provide unlimited alfalfa hay along with fresh water at all times.
- Water: Our bunnies are accustomed to bottles, but bowls are also fine.
- **Health check:** Within the first 24 hours at home, your bunny should **eat, drink, pee, and poop**. If not, please contact us immediately.
- Vet visit: We recommend scheduling a "welcome exam" with an exotic vet as soon as possible, as appointments can take time to book.

# **Litter Training**

Yes! We begin litter training before your bunny leaves our rabbitry so we do about **95% of the work for you**. To continue at home:

- Place a hay rack or bag above the litter box. Rabbits eat and poop at the same time, which reinforces good habits.
- Use paper bedding only inside the litter box.
- Do not put bedding all over the cage or enclosure this confuses them.
- For free-roaming bunnies, use **two litter boxes**: one in the enclosure and one in the roaming space.

Need supplies? We sell the same litter box and litter we use, which helps ensure success.

# **Veggies & Fruit**

- You may introduce veggies at 4 months and fruits at 6 months.
- Always introduce new foods slowly and in small amounts.
- Fruits should be limited due to their high sugar content.

# **Grooming & Handling**

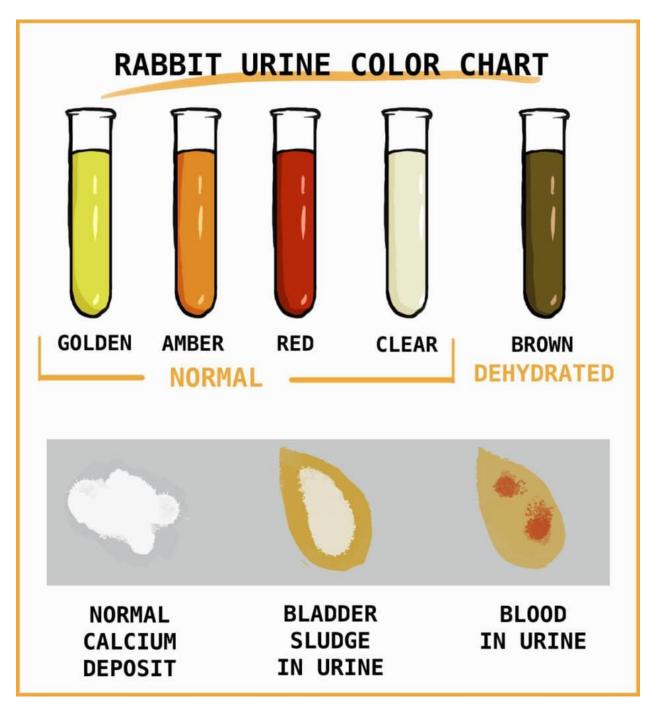
- Nail trims: Once per month with small animal clippers. Avoid the quick.
- **Daily handling:** To desensitize your bunny, gently hold them several times a day, touch their paws, check teeth, and peek inside their ears.
- **Safety:** Use a blanket on your lap and wear long sleeves when starting out baby bunnies may wiggle or scratch. Always hold them securely and close to your body.

#### **Training & Bonding**

- Start using your bunny's name consistently, especially during feeding and treat time.
- Rabbits are food-motivated and will learn their names with repetition.
- Until 6 months of age, stick to hay-based treats only.
- We proudly make our own handmade treats designed for young rabbits. We're happy to ship more anytime and we're working on making them available on **Amazon and Walmart.com** for your convenience.

#### **Final Note**

If you ever have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. We're always here to support you and your bunny every step of the way.



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