

HOW TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR RABBIT

DIET

- UNDER 6 MONTHS OF AGE:
 - FREE CHOICE OF TIMOTHY HAY.
 - 1/3 OF A CUP OF PELLETTED FEED (NO OATS, SEEDS, DRIED FRUITS OR VEGETABLES ADDED).

- OVER 6 MONTHS OF AGE:
 - FREE CHOICE OF TIMOTHY HAY.
 - 1/3 TO ½ OF A CUP OF PELLETTED FEED.

- ALL AGES
 - ALL RABBITS SHOULD RECEIVE AN UNLIMITED FRESH AMOUNT OF WATER DAILY.

TREATS

- UNDER 6 MONTHS OF AGE:
 - *NO TREATS!*

- OVER 6 MONTHS OF AGE:
 - A SMALL AMOUNT OF CARROTS, DANDELION LEAVES, OR THE LEAFY PART OF LETTUCE MAY BE GIVEN 1-2 TIMES PER WEEK.
 - TRY TO AVOID COMMERCIALIZED TREATS.
 - RABBITS TEETH ARE ALWAYS GROWING. TO FILE THEIR TEETH DOWN THEY NEED SOMETHING TO CHEW ON. PET STORES CARRY WOODEN TOYS THAT ARE SAFE FOR YOUR RABBIT TO CHEW.

HOUSING

- MINIMUM SIZE FOR SMALLER BREEDS: 24" X 24" X 18"

- CAGES SHOULD HAVE WINDOWS SO THE RABBIT CAN GET PLENTY OF SUNLIGHT, BUT THEY SHOULD HAVE SOME SOLID WALLS SO THE RABBIT FEELS SAFE AND SECURE.

EXERCISE

- RABBITS SHOULD BE HELD DAILY.
- EXERCISE IN THE GRASS, AWAY FROM PLANTS, IS A REAL TREAT TO RABBITS. BUT THEY CAN GET AWAY VERY QUICK. EXERCISE IN THE GRASS IS BEST IN AN ENCLOSED PEN UNDER SUPERVISION.

COMMON MEDICAL PROBLEMS

- FUR MITES
 - “SALT AND PEPPER” LIKE DOTS IN THE RABBITS FUR. TREATED BY SPRAYING WITH CAT AND KITTEN FLEA POWDER. (IF IT’S SAFE FOR KITTENS ITS SAFE FOR RABBITS) BRUSH RABBIT THOROUGHLY ONE WEEK AFTER SPRAYING.
- EAR MITES
 - BLOOD OR SCABS INSIDE THE RABBITS EAR. TREATED BY PUTTING MINERAL OIL ON A Q-TIP AND RUBBING INSIDE THE EAR.