RECOMMENDED BUNNY SUPPLY LIST

1. Exercise pen – Midwest brand **30" high, at a minimum**, with **walk through door**, 4' square. The walk-through door will make it much easier for you to go into and out of for cleaning, also you can open the door to allow the bunny out daily to free roam.

2. Pet gate – If setting up your bunny area in a bedroom/office for example which has a door opening, <u>and</u> you <u>have</u> a dog, you will be required to have a gate at the door to ensure the safety of the bunny. A baby gate will <u>NOT</u> suffice.

3. Extra large cat litter box (no hood). Walmart sells a gray one for \$8.

4. Heavy ceramic water & food dishes – (water: at least a 2-cup capacity) (food: 1-cup capacity.) NO water bottles as it does not allow a rabbit to get adequate daily water.

5. Litter for box – Tractor Supply Pelletized Bedding (40lbs for \$6) or you can use Carefresh or Feline Pine pellets from pet store but that is more expensive, or puppy pee pads. –<u>NO</u> shaved pine pieces, deodorizers, no colors, baking soda, clumping cat litters, or gravel litter.

6. Hay – Timothy Hay (preferred) or orchard grass. You can add oat hay and alfalfa <u>as treats</u>. We sell Timothy/Orchard hay, \$25 for 2 flakes, about 10-12 lbs. You can also find quality hay online – Small Pet Select or Oxbow (50 lb. box is most economical). NO Kaytee brand in anything.

7. Pelleted Food – <u>Oxbow Garden Select</u> is what most of our bunnies are used to eating. A few are on <u>Sherwood Pet Health</u> (https://sherwoodpethealth.com/). Sherwood is available thru Amazon as well. We will indicate if the rabbit you are adopting is eating Sherwood or Oxbow so that you know which brand of pellets to buy. Do **NOT** buy rabbit food with the treats in it, such as the Kaytee brand or Purina brand.

8. Carrier – <u>Top opening is a must</u> for ease of getting the bunny in and out of the carrier. Pet Mate 19" is ideal for average size rabbits (large breeds like Californians, New Zealand's, Flemish Giants need the 24"). A hard plastic carrier is best, as with cloth or mesh type carriers a bunny will chew holes in it.

9. Hidey box – Large cardboard box with cut outs, cardboard cat house, extra-large grass hut, cat tunnels are all good selections.

10. Grooming supplies – brush (SleekEZ or Groom Ninja (2.5" size) for short hair breeds (of which most of our bunnies are short hair breeds). Hair Buster comb for long hair breeds. Cat nail clippers and Kwik Stop in case a nail is cut too short and it bleeds.

11. Flooring – If setting up your bunny area on carpet or hard wood, you may want to place a heavy vinyl flooring, 6' square, or a flat low pile carpet to cover your flooring. Throw rugs or fleece blanket for xpen. Many rabbits treat tile or hard wood flooring as hot lava and will not step on it so a low pile rug is nice to have.

12. Newspaper for lining the litter box (if you choose) and white vinegar for cleaning.

13. First aid basics (House Rabbit Resource Network sell a great rabbit emergency basic kit for \$20. <u>https://rabbitresource.org/product/rabbit-emergency-medical-kits/</u>

14. Toys and Supplies. Cat tunnels, infant stack cups, IKEA doll bed, foraging mat, etc.

- Binky Bunny <u>https://store.binkybunny.com/all-products-call.aspx</u>
- Napoleon Bunnyparte <u>https://www.napoleonbunnyparte.com/</u>
- Happy Rabbit Toys <u>https://happyrabbittoys.com/</u>
- House Rabbit Society Hop Shop <u>https://shop.houserabbit.org/</u>

15. House Rabbit Handbook, 5th ed. is a great educational book to have on hand. https://shop.houserabbit.org/product/house-rabbit-handbook/4?cs=true&cst=custom