# **Microchip Registration**

All Happy Tails cats are microchipped. Once adopted, the microchip registration will need to be transferred to the adopter (by the adopter).

To transfer a cat's microchip registration to your information, follow these general steps. The process can vary depending on the microchip brand or registry, but here's the typical procedure:

## 1. Get the Microchip Number

You'll need the cat's 15-digit microchip number. This is located on the paperwork from Happy Tails.

### 2. Find the Microchip Registry

You can use any company to register your cat's microchip regardless of the manufacturer. A couple of suggestions are HomeAgain and 24PetWatch.

If you would like to use the specific registry that your cat's microchip is linked to, you can use a microchip lookup tool to identify the registry the chip is registered with:

- AAHA Universal Pet Microchip Lookup Tool
  - https://www.aaha.org/for-veterinary-professionals/microchip-search/

Enter the chip number, and it will show which registry it's linked to (e.g., HomeAgain, 24Petwatch, etc.).

# 3. Contact the Registry or Visit Their Website

Go to the registry website. Most registries have a **"Transfer Ownership"** or "Update Contact Info" section.

Each registry has its own process. Generally, you will:

- Create an account
- Provide the microchip number
- Fill out a transfer of ownership form
- Submit proof of ownership (e.g. adoption papers)
- Possibly pay a small fee (typically \$10–25)

#### 4. Wait for Confirmation

After submitting the request, you'll get confirmation (usually via email) once the chip is officially transferred to you.