

12 COMMANDMENTS FOR A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER

1. My life is likely to last 10 to 18 years. You are my family and any separation from you will be very painful.
2. Be patient with me and give me time to understand what you want of me.
3. Place your trust in me as I do in you, it is crucial to my wellbeing.
4. Don't be angry with me for long, and don't lock me up as punishment.
5. You have your work, your friends and your entertainment, I have only you.
6. Talk to me, Do not yell, even if I don't understand your words. I understand your voice and your tone when you are speaking to me.
7. Be aware that however you treat me, I'll always forgive you but I will never forget it.
8. Before you hit me, remember that I have teeth that could easily crush the bones in your hand, but I choose not to bite you.
9. Before you scold me for being lazy or uncooperative, ask yourself if something might be bothering me. Perhaps I am not getting the right food, I've been outside in the weather too long or I may be sick and weak.
10. When things get tough or we have to move remember I am family, do not look to get to get rid of me so easily and dump me on someone else. I have feelings and may wither and die losing you.
11. When I get old Please take care of me; do not discard me like an old piece of furniture. You too will grow old one day.
12. Above all remember go with me on my difficult journeys, never say I cannot bear to watch or it will be easier in my absence. Everything is easier. Easier for me if you are right there at my side petting me, hearing your voice making me comfortable. Remember I love you!

Cats and Dogs are the only things that love you more than you love yourself!!



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