



How to Recoup your ACAT alter deposit

Congratulations! You have a new, young family member. ACAT's goal is not only that the kitten finds a wonderful home like yours, but that it will never breed. Rather than remove the choice to early-alter or mid-age alter from the adopter and his/her veterinarian, ACAT collects a deposit to help insure the kitten is altered before it is old enough to breed.

You've signed an agreement that the kitten will be altered before his or her 6-month birthday. Because it can take days or even weeks to get an alter appointment, we recommend you schedule the alter by the time your kitten gets his/her last kitten shot, or at 4 months. If you have or adopted an unaltered male/female pair, you will be expected to alter the male before 5 months old. Spay costs always exceed the deposit amount; neuters may cost more than \$75 as well. **You are responsible for the remainder of the cost of altering your kitty.**

You have paid a \$75 alter deposit. You may recoup that money in one of two ways:

1. Call or email ACAT (982-2228; acat@alaskacatadoptionteam.org) at least one week prior to your kitten's alter appointment, giving us the date, the name and phone number of your vet clinic, your kitten's foster name and current name. If the vet's office will take our debit card over the phone, we will pay the \$75 before you pick up your kitty. Please call or text us after you drop off the cat for surgery so we know he/she is there.

2. Submit your paperwork from the vet's office showing the surgery was performed on the cat in question. The receipt must show the alter. A photographic or scanned image of the surgery receipt is acceptable. Use our online submission form at under FORMS on our website or email directly to finance@alaskacatadoptionteam.org for fastest reimbursement. Reimbursements are typically done one to two times a month, depending on volume. The paperwork may also be snail mailed to the address below.

Requests for reimbursement must be made within 120 days of adopting the kitty. No reimbursements will be paid for kitties being declawed.

If you have any questions, call or email us. Thank you for adopting a forever kitty from ACAT.