

# Meet Fred and George

**Directions:** Read Fred and George's story and adoption profile below to learn more about them. Think about the kind of forever home that would be suitable for a pair of bonded rats like Fred and George. To learn more about what rats need, check out our [Rat Care Guide](#).

## Fred and George's Story

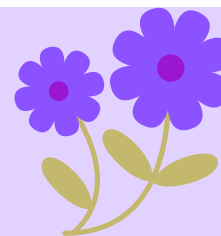


Fred and George are bonded rats who were adopted together to be companions to a rat named Percy, who was already part of their soon to be adoptive family. Unfortunately, Fred and George did not get along with Percy and their new guardians did not have the space to keep them in their own cage, so they were returned to the BC SPCA.

Fred and George are a playful, bonded pair that must go to a home together without other rats. They enjoy spending time outside of their cage with people and learning new tricks!

## Adoption Profile:

- 1 year old male rats
- Bonded brothers
- Lifespan 2 - 3 years
- Very social and like to hang out with people as much as possible
- Are fine with other calm animals in the house, but shouldn't be kept with other rats

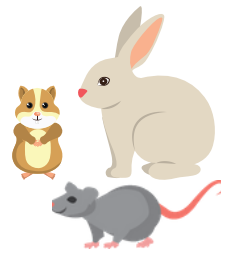


### Bonded Buddies...



Rats are highly social creatures and should not be kept alone! Two or more rats can happily live together provided they have a large enough habitat and they are the same sex (unless they are spayed or neutered). They'll eat together, groom each other, play and sleep together. Sometimes these rats will develop such close relationships they become "bonded", and shelters will make sure these best friends are adopted together!





# Adoption Match

**Directions:** All of these people have applied to adopt Fred and George, but they can only have one forever family! Choose the perfect home for Fred and George by referring to their adoption profile and the [BC SPCA Rat Care guide](#) to find Fred and George's perfect match.

## Applicant 1: Yvonne Starling

Yvonne would be a first time rat guardian. She has one small rabbit. She does not have a veterinarian. She wants to play with them in the afternoon, after work, for half an hour before dinner.

**Where will you keep Fred and George?** In an aquarium I used for my previous pet fish.

**What will you do with Fred and George if you move?** Try to sell them, if that doesn't work, maybe set them free.



**Approved?** Yes  No  **Why** \_\_\_\_\_

## Applicant 2: Laura Haring

Laura and her family have not been a rat guardians before. They have no other pets. They don't have a veterinarian. They will interact with them anytime during the day when they're home. They will let them crawl on their laps while they watch tv.

**Where will you keep Fred and George?** In the living room in a tall multi-level wire cage with ramps to the different levels.

**What will you do with Fred and George if you move?** They can come with us! We love the area, so if we move, it will only be across town!



**Approved?** Yes  No  **Why** \_\_\_\_\_

## Applicant 3: Mark Spencer

Mark has been a rat guardian before. He has one cat that left their previous rat alone. He does have a veterinarian. He will play with Fred and George at night for an hour after work, school and sports.

**Where will you keep Fred and George?** In a multi-level rat cage in my son's room.

**What will you do with Fred and George if you move?** It is up to my son. Maybe he can give them to one of his friends.



**Approved?** Yes  No  **Why** \_\_\_\_\_