Animal Intake Policy

The City of Radford Animal Control and Animal Shelter are an Open Admission Facility.

All animal species that are found stray/running at large or considered in danger/ cruelly or inhumanely treated will be brought to the Radford Animal Control Facility and housed at the shelter.

Animals that require housing/ basic needs that cannot be provided at the shelter will be either fostered to an individual/organization that can provide required housing, basic needs as required by the species to ensure that those needs are met as required by VA statute 3.2-6503 within 24 hours of intake.

<https://vacode.org/2016/3.2/V/65/2/3.2-6503>

Animals that are to be surrendered by owner will also be admitted to the shelter dependent on space and individual needs. A wait period may be required to ensure the health and welfare of said animals as outlined in VA Statute 3.2-6503

Animals that are left without care of an owner or caretaker due to arrest, hospitalization or death shall also be admitted to the shelter for safekeeping to ensure their needs are met as outlined in VA statue 3.2-6503.