Health Checklist

Go through this check list monthly with your rabbit OR any time you are looking at taking home a new rabbit.

DONE? (check off)

- Observe rabbit in cage look for signs of sickness and not feeling well.
- O Body, belly, feet, legs, and tail check for lumps or wounds.
- O Fur not mangy, no bald spots. Check over for fleas and ticks.
- Ears Check for mites/ scaly patches in ear canal.
- O Eye and Nose Check for signs of discharge.
- O Toenails You want to see that they are clipped and groomed.
- Genitals Check that the gender correct, no discard from genitals or signs of diarrhea.
- Teeth Check that your rabbits teeth are aligned correctly (top teeth should be over the front of the bottom teeth).
- EXTRA When Purchasing a New Rabbit:
- Interactions with people look for signs of aggression or extreme fear. Have the list of your desired rabbit personality traits available and look for a rabbit that exhibits these.
- Ask for a small bag of the existing pellets that are being fed to your rabbit so you can slowly change over their food to whatever brand you've purchased (more on this in the next chapter). Make sure you have enough for a week or two.

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