What can happen to a pet that is given free to a casual, uncommitted owner?

Abandoned to the streets. This is the most likely scenario that occurs when an uncommitted owner tires of a pet. Street animals suffer every day of their short lives. The end always comes painfully, either from violent trauma or from lingering disease.

Marginally Owned. The pet will not be cared for properly and is often allowed to roam the streets.

Abused. The owner will not make the effort to properly train the animal. Often this leads to inappropriate responses from the owner and abuse of the pet when it "misbehaves."

Next, we would like you to be aware that there are dishonest people who routinely obtain animals for profit by fraudulently answering "free to good home" ads. They are usually very persuasive and friendly. They know all the "right" answers to your questions because they do this sort of thing on a regular basis. Some may even bring their kids along to make you think they are a loving family!

The most important thing you can do to discourage this kind of person is to charge an adoption fee! This makes it more difficult for them to realize a profit so they will usually not bother contacting you.









"Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened." -Anatole France