

Adopter's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Adoptee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Animal's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  Male  Female

Date of last Vet Check-up \_\_\_\_\_

The parties hereto agree that the owners shall abide by the following conditions:

\_\_\_\_\_, Hereinafter referred to as the animal, is being transferred to the adopting owner with the understanding that the adopter is taking possession of the animal to treat and to be responsible for it as their own animal.

1. The animal will be treated as a family member with loving care and affection. I will do my best to ensure the animal's safety and well-being.
2. I/we will feed the animal at least twice a day and will provide a fresh supply of water at all times.
3. The animal will live inside my home and will not be isolated from the family. I will walk my animal on a leash or exercise my animal in a fenced yard (if applicable), which must be provided unless waived by adoptee. I will never let my animal run loose or roam, keep my animal chained or tied up, keep it continuously in a yard, garage, patio, balcony, or pen, or leave my animal outdoors, even in a fenced yard when no one is at home.
4. I will not have the animal attack-trained nor will I use it for any purpose other than companionship. I will not have the animal's ears cropped nor will I have its tail docked. I will never allow any physical, mental, or emotional abuse of the animal
5. I will take the animal to a licensed veterinarian when shots are due \_\_\_\_\_ but in no event later than one year from the last vet visit. I will provide all required and/or needed veterinary care, including: rabies shots as required every one or three years; yearly booster shots for (if applicable) DHLPPC; yearly fecal checks for internal parasites; and prompt treatment by a licensed veterinarian for any illness or injury.

6. The animal will be given heartworm preventative tablets every month, all year long. I will have a heartworm test given every year. If there is any break in dispensing heartworm tablets, I must retest for heartworm and restart tablets immediately.
7. If not already done, I will have the animal spayed/neutered by (date) \_\_\_\_\_
8. I/we affirm that no member of my household has been convicted of an animal welfare law violation such as neglect, cruelty, abandonment etc.
9. I will ensure proper licensing of the animal and will attach the appropriate license tags, rabies tag, and personal identification tag (if applicable) to a non-choke collar to be worn at all times. I will ensure compliance with all applicable local and state statutes.
10. I will not use a choke-type collar at any time, except for training under the guidance of a qualified animal trainer (if applicable).
11. I am adopting the animal for myself and I agree to not give away, sell, or trade my animal, even as a gift to a friend or family member. I will neither take the animal to a shelter nor abandon the animal.
12. I agree to accept responsibility and ownership of the animal at my own risk and I release adoptee from any and all liability arising out of possession and ownership of this animal. I agree that I am assuming total financial responsibility for my pet as of the date of this contract. Adoptee will not be held responsible for any damages or expenses (veterinary or other) incurred during my ownership of the animal.
13. I agree to take the animal to obedience training classes as a puppy, and/or as an adult (if applicable).
14. This animal's known background and medical history have been discussed with me. I understand that adoptee has made no representation concerning the health, condition, training, behavior, or temperament of the animal.

I understand that by voluntarily signing this agreement, I am entering into a legal and binding contract with \_\_\_\_\_. Breach of any term(s) of this agreement is deemed actionable by adoptee.