

**VE RESCUE 4 PAWZ** 

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## **Adoption Contract**

## Please read this contract carefully because you're going to be asked to sign a *legally binding contact.*

If you are adopting a puppy that has not been altered, you will also be required to sign a pay/ neuter agreement.

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

I understand the non refundable adoption fee of  $\underline{\$}$  will be paid at the time of acceptance of this contract.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_, will be referred to as the dog, is being transferred to the adopting owner with the understanding that the adopter is taking possession of the dog to treat and be responsible for the animal as their own dog.
- 2. The dog will be treated as a family member with love, care, and affection. I will do my best to ensure the dogs safety and well being.
- 3. I will feed the dog <u>at least</u> twice a day and will provide a fresh supply of water daily.
- 4. The dog will live inside my home and will not be isolated from the family. I will walk my dog on a leash or exercise my dog in a fenced in area.
- 5. I will never let my dog run loose or roam. I will never keep my dog chained or tied up. I will never keep my dog continuously in the yard, garage, patio, balcony, or pen. I will never leave my dog outdoors, even in a fenced yard when no one is home.
- 6. I will not have the dog attack-trained no will I use it for any purpose other than companionship. I will not have the dogs ears cropped no will I have its tail docked. I will never allow any physical, mental, or emotional abuse of the dog.

- 7. I will take the dog to a licensed veterinarian when shots are due; but in no event later than one year. I will provide all required and/or needed veterinary care, including rabies shots as required every one to three years; yearly booster shots for DHPP, Corona, and Bordetella. I will make sure to have yearly fecal checks for internal parasites (worms) and prompt treatment by a licensed veterinarian for any illness or injury.
- 8. The dog will be given heartworm preventative tablets, as well as flea and tick preventative care.
- 9. If not already done, I will have the dog spayed/neutered by \_\_\_\_\_\_ and will send proof to WR4P. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in the immediate return of the dog to WR4P.
- 10. I/We affirm that no member of my household had been convicted of animal welfare law violations such as neglect, cruelty, abandonment, etc.
- 11. I will ensure proper licensing of the dog and will attach the appropriate license tags, rabies tag, and personal identification tag to a non choke collar to be worm at all times. I will ensure compliance with all applicable local and state laws.
- 12. I will not use a choke type collar at any time, except for training under the guidance of a qualified dog trainer.
- 13. I am adopting the dog for myself and I agree to not give away, sell, or trade my dog even as a gift to a friend or family member. I will never take the dog to a shelter nor abandon the dog. I understand that I must notify WR4P <u>without delay</u>, if I can no longer care for or keep my dog and agree to give WR4P reasonable time to rehome my dog or place my dog in an approved foster home, if available. I must notify WR4P of any behavioral problems that have occurred at any time before I return my dog and I agree to pay for a professional trainer's evaluation in care of biting or aggression.

I agree to accept responsibility and ownership of the dog at my won risk and I release WR4P and its volunteers from any and all liability arising out of the possession and financial responsibility for my pet as of the date on this contract. WR4P and its volunteers will not be held responsible for any damages or expenses (veterinary or other) incurred during my ownership of the dog.

I agree to take the dog to obedience training classes as a puppy, and/or as an adult if deemed necessary.

In the event that the dog becomes lost or dies, I will immediately notify WR4P. I will also immediately notify WR4P of any changes of contact information (address, phone number, or email address).

The dogs known background and medical history has been discussed with me. I understand that WR4P has made no representation concerning the health, condition, training, behavior, or temperament of the dog.

I agree to permit WR4P to make inquiry about and enforce any of the above conditions and requirements at any time after adoption. This can include visits to my home and contact with my veterinarian. I understand that failure to comply with any of the above provisions will result in forfeiture of the dog to WR4P.

I understand that by voluntarily signing this agreement, I am entering into a legal binding with We Rescue 4 Pawz. Breach of any term(s) of this agreement is deemed actionable by WR4P.

In the event there is a violation of this contract, I agree to pay a minimum of \$500.00 in damages. Additionally, in order to facilitate the collection of damages for breach of contract, I waive any challenge to WR4P. Furthermore, I agree to accept service of process by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address proved in the adoption contract and specifically waive any right to receive personal service.

By signing below, I certify that the information provided on this contract tis true and I recognize that any misrepresentation of facts may result in losing adoption privileges. I authorize investigation of all statements in this contract and understand that veterinarians, landlords, and other human agencies may be contracted. By signing this contract you are accepting all terms listed in this contact.

Signature

Print Name

Date