

Home Fur Friends Rescue Inc.

Become a foster and save a life!

Name

Address

Phone

Email

FOSTER CARE CONTRACT

A foster parent holds an integral role in the rescue process by being the initial safe and secure environment for a rescued dog. By taking in a rescued dog, you are providing us with space to take another needy dog out of a shelter. During the transition phase of a foster home, rescued dogs require constant emotional support. A foster parent must provide a nurturing atmosphere that includes shelter, exercise, but most importantly love. It takes a special person who can provide all of those for a rescued dog and then give them up when a permanent home is found. Some dogs may also require special attention, such as increasing weight or strength, socialization, trust building, etc. Home Fur Friends Rescue Inc. will provide all expenses for any necessary medical care. Foster parents can also contribute immensely in placing rescued dogs in appropriately matched homes by observing their fostered dog's personality traits. This information is vital in placing dogs in the right home. Should foster parents be interested in adopting a fostered dog then they will be asked to fill out an adoption application. Foster parents will be given a "first right to refusal" if they are equally as qualified as the outside interested parties.

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this _____ (date) of _____ (year) between Home Fur Friends Rescue Inc. (hereinafter referred to as Rescue Service), and _____ (hereinafter referred to as Foster Parent, whether one or more); and, WHEREAS, the Rescue Service does place such dogs in temporary, suitable, foster homes which can provide a normal family situation:

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed for the dog currently known as _____ the following:

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- 1) **Foster Parent agrees to care for rescued dog for a minimum period of two weeks.** During this time Foster Parent will give kind and loving care to rescued dog and provide dog with a stable home environment and agrees foster dog will not travel out of state.
- 2) Foster Parent understands that Rescue Service has no prior knowledge of the dog's temperament and will therefore, take all due care to protect himself and others who may come in contact with the dog from bodily harm.
- 3) Foster Parent will not hold Rescue Service responsible for damage to property or harm to persons caused by any fostered dog that is the property of this Rescue Service.
- 4) Rescue Service will be responsible for any veterinary care charges incurred for said dog, but only if Rescue Service has authorized such care, except in cases of extreme emergency. **Foster Parent must contact Emily Mearns immediately if rescued dog should encounter such medical emergency at 949-683-9000.**
- 5) Foster Parent agrees that any dog fostered by him/her is owned solely by and is the property of Home Fur Friends Rescue Inc., and that the Foster Parent will not remove any dog entrusted to him/her from the primary residence of Foster Parent or dispose of any dog in any manner without prior approval of Rescue Service.
- 6) Foster Parent has the right to accept or refuse any particular dog.
- 7) Foster Parent will return the dog to Home Fur Friends Rescue Inc. immediately upon request.
- 8) Home Fur Friends Rescue Inc. agrees to hold Foster Parent harmless for accident or injury to any rescued dog in his/her care, except in the case of negligence on the part of Foster Parent.
- 9) Foster Parent agrees to inspection of their property, upon request, by a representative from Rescue Service.
- 10) Foster Parent will not allow rescue dog to be off leash at any time, even in an enclosed dog park.
11. Foster Parents agree that they **WILL NOT** at any time take foster dog to any dog park.

x _____
Foster signature

x Emily Mearns, CEO/Founder Home Fur Friends Rescue Inc.

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Foster Application Form

This application needs to be filled out completely for consideration.
Completion of this application does not guarantee foster of a dog.

Date: _____

Name of Desired Dog: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Occupation _____

Name/ Ages of Children living in the household, if any: _____

Any other occupants in home: _____

Type of dwelling:

House Condo Apt. Other

Do you Rent or Own? Rent Own

If renting, do you have your landlord's permission to have a dog? Yes No

Landlord's name and phone number: _____

Do you have a pool? Yes No

If so, is your pool fenced around?

Does your home have stairs? Yes No

If you have children, please describe their previous experience with dogs:

Does anyone in your household have allergies? _____

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If yes, describe: _____

Do you have a pet now? ___ Yes ___ No

How Many? _____ Type of Pets (if dog, list breed) ___mix, shepherd, mix terrier, and mix chihuahua_____

Age(s) _____ Sex(es) _____

Other Pets? _____

Are your pet/s spayed/neutered? ___ Yes ___ No

Have you ever allowed an animal to breed? ___ Yes ___ No

Is there anybody home during the day? ___ Yes ___ No

If so, who? _____

When will the dog be inside? _____

When will the dog be outside? _____

About how many hours will the dog be left alone? _____

Where will the dog stay when he/she is home alone? (Please be as specific as possible; i.e. run of the house, a specific room, in a crate, etc.)

_____.

Where will the dog sleep at night? ___ Dog House ___ Garage ___ Other

If other, please specify: _____

If inside, where exactly?

___ Kitchen ___ Master bedroom ___ Spare Room ___ Laundry Room ___ Run of the house

If other, please specify:

What rooms are off limits to the dog? _____

What outside areas are available to the dog?

___ Fenced yard ___ Enclosed Patio ___ Garage ___ Dog House

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Unfenced common area Pool Other

Do you have a doggie door? _____

Type of fencing? (Chain link, wood, block wall, etc.) _____

Height of Fence?

_____ Highest Point

_____ Lowest Point

I have recently inspected my fences and its in good condition. Yes No

The fence is intact on all sides and is at least 6 feet from the ground level in all areas.

Yes No

I promise to inspect my fences thoroughly before the home visit and make necessary repairs for the safety and well being of our new Pet. Yes No

Are there gates? Yes No

How many gates? _____

How High? _____

Is there any type of lock on the gate(s)? Yes No

Type of lock (padlock, key, latch, etc.) _____

If no locks, would you be willing to install them prior to placement should this application be accepted? Yes No

Who has access to your yard?

Gardner Pool man Utility Neighbor

Other, please explain _____

Preferred level of exercise with dog:

Couch potato Short walks Vigorous walks Hike or jog regularly

When you go on vacation, who will care for the dog? (friend, kennel, dog sitter, etc.)

What kind of food will you feed the dog?

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Brand of Kibble _____ Canned _____ Other _____

Do you have a regular vet? ___ Yes ___ No

Name of Vet _____

Would you like a referral to a vet? ___ Yes ___ No

How would you rate your level of dog owning experience?

___ First time owner ___ Beginner ___ Intermediate ___ Advanced ___ Other

How do you discipline your dog if he or she misbehaved? _____

How would you train this dog?

___ Obedience class ___ Hit with newspaper ___ Firm verbal commands

___ Clicker/ hand signals ___ Other, please explain _____

How do you normally walk your dog? ___ On leash ___ Off leash

When on leash do you normally use: ___ Collar only ___ Corrective collar ___ Harness ___ Other
Depends on the dog

Are you willing to live with hair on the furniture, stains on your rugs, a warm body on your bed, and an animal that might be destructive at times? ___ Yes ___ No

Please list pets you have owned since you have been an adult and the length of ownership; if they are no longer with you, please provide an explanation:

How did you find out about our foster program?

Please read and initial each statement below:

I understand that a home visit is required prior to placement _____

I understand that a home visit does not guarantee placement _____

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Home Fur Friends Rescue reserves the right to refuse fostering of an animal to any applicant for any reason. This questionnaire becomes part of our contract _____

Please list the name of the dog you're interested in again, and tell us why you're interested in this dog:

Please provide 3 references below: (Name, Address, Phone, Relationship)

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x _____

Foster Applicant Signature

x *Emily Mearns*

Emily Mearns, CEO/FOUNDER Home Fur Friends Rescue Inc.