## **Terms and Conditions of Rehoming**

## Section A - New owner undertakings.

Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary requires new rehomer's to make the following undertakings:

- That they have not been disqualified from owning or keeping animals or had a deprivation order made under the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 2011.
- That they do not have any unspent conviction for offenses relating to animals.
- That they will not sell or part with any rehomed animal.
- That they will not breed from or experiment on any rehomed animal.
- That representatives from Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary may contact or visit the animal post-rehome to ensure that there are no welfare issues.
- That they will endeavour to be a responsible pet owner and ensure that the animal has an acceptable quality of life.
- That they will immediately contact Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary and return the animal to their care if they can no longer care for it.

## Section B - Ensuring suitability of new owner.

To ensure that animals are rehomed appropriately Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary will make every reasonable effort to ensure that:

- The rehomer is aware of the animal's expected life span.
- The rehomer is aware of the animal's potential size [length, weight, strength].
- The rehomer is aware of the animal's potential risks of harm and nuisance.
- The rehomer is aware of the feeding, water, and dietary requirements of the animal.
- The rehomer has an appropriately sized enclosure.
- The rehomer has an appropriate heat source with guard and thermostat.
- The rehomer has all the necessary lights/substrate/feeding and water dishes as recommended.
- The rehomer's animal accommodation is secure (with lock if needed).

- If UVB lighting is required, the rehomer must be aware of the percentage required and frequency of changing.
- The rehomer is aware of a suitable veterinary practice where the animal can be treated.
- The rehomer is aware of the potential costs that veterinary treatment of the animal may incur.
- The rehomer is aware of any specific treatments or medication needed for the animal.
- The rehomer accepts that any treatments required (including for preexisting conditions) are their responsibility.
- The rehomer is aware of any specialised vitamins or supplements required for the animal.

## Section C - Terms and Conditions

- 1. Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary accepts no responsibility as to the description, condition, temperament, behaviour or health of the animal and provides no warranty, condition, representation or other term of any kind expressed or implied other than such warranties, conditions, representations and terms to the extent to which they can be legally excluded (whether in accordance with the Sale of Goods Act 1979 or any legislation amending or replacing the same, or otherwise).
- 2. Any information concerning the habits and past history of the animal is passed on by Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary to the rehomer in good faith. This may be based on statements made by the previous owner, however, and there is no guarantee of reliability. Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary is, therefore, unable to accept liability for any consequences whatever resulting from events attributable to the failure to give information or the transmission of erroneous information provided that nothing in these conditions excludes Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary's liability for fraud.
- 3. The rehomer confirms that no person residing in their household is disqualified from keeping animals or has had a deprivation order made under the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and/or has an unspent conviction for offences relating to animals.
- 4. The animal is believed to be in good health on leaving the establishment, except where explicit conditions have been made known to the rehomer

in writing. Subject to Condition 1, it is regretted that Northern Ireland Exotic Sanctuary is unable to accept liability for any expense or costs of any kind arising from sickness or injury of any nature developed by the animal (whether or not any known existing conditions or symptoms of the animal were made known to the rehomer prior to this Agreement). The responsibility for any cost of future treatment shall be borne by the rehomer.

- 5. Attention is drawn to the possible liability of the rehomer for damage and injury which the animal may cause to third parties or their property, in particular, liability arising under the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 2011. The possibility of an action for nuisance against the rehomer because of the animal's behaviour should also be recognised.
- 6. The rehomer agrees to comply with all relevant regulations, legislation and laws concerning the welfare, control, responsible ownership, and protection of animals, including and without limitation, the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 2011
- 7. The rehomer agrees to meet the welfare needs of the animal, i.e. providing for the animal's health, by taking measures to ensure that it is properly housed, fed, watered, socialised (where appropriate) and receives appropriate veterinary care.