



Doggy Dog World Rescue Animal Adoption Contract

4550 S. Kipling St. #14, Littleton, CO 80127

(720) 280-6979

www.doggydogworldrescue.com

Today's Date: _____

Welcome to Doggy Dog World Rescue. We are excited that you are interested in saving a life and adopting from us! We do our best to find a pet that works for you and your lifestyle. Let's get started!

DDWR is committed to non-discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, age, marital status, veteran status, religion or familial status. That being said, DDWR requires high standards of care and maintenance for the life of the pets it rescues and retains the right to reclaim the pet during its lifetime, and will not place a pet in a home that is deemed not suitable to that particular pet, nor in a home that is deemed unsuitable for any reason as determined by DDWR. This is done for the protection of the potential adopter, the public and the rescued pet.

Which DDWR pet are you interested in adopting? _____

Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Cell: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Background Information

Are you 21 years of age or older? Yes No

Are you aware that adopting a pet is a lifetime commitment and should not be a spur of the moment decision or a surprise gift? Yes No Have you ever applied to foster or adopt a pet from Doggy Dog World Rescue before? Yes No

Where did you hear about us? _____

For the safety of our rescue pets, may we complete a background check? Yes No

Have you or has anyone in your household ever been charged with any animal welfare violation, including hoarding, unsanitary conditions, neglect, cruelty, or having excessive animals? Yes No

If yes, please provide the following: defendant's name, jurisdiction, year and disposition of the charges:

Have you or has anyone in your household ever been charged with domestic violence, battery, assault or any sexually based crime? Yes No If yes, please provide the following: defendant's name, jurisdiction, year and disposition of the charges:

Are you willing to let us do a home check before or after we adopt a pet to you? Yes No

If you are adopting the pet with a significant other (unmarried) or are married or in a civil union, who will get the pet in the event the relationship terminates? _____

Pet Parent Experience

Will this be your first pet? Yes No

If no, please tell us about any pets you have had over the past five years, including current pets:

Pet Name Species Spayed/Neutered Breed Sex Age If you no longer own this pet, please explain

_____ Yes / No _____

_____ Yes / No _____

_____ Yes / No _____

_____ Yes / No _____

_____ Yes / No _____

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If any of your current pets are not spayed/neutered, please explain: _____

Are your pets current on their vaccinations? Yes No

If no, please explain:

Do any of your current pets have behavioral issues? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Do any of your current pets have any illnesses and/or health issues? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

Housing

Do you: Own Rent Live with parent/guardian

Which do you live in? House Apartment Condo Townhouse Mobile Home Other: _____

Are there children living in your home? Yes No If yes, what are their ages? _____

Do you currently have any pets that have free access to go outside? Yes No

Do you have a completely fenced back yard? Yes No

What kind of fence? _____ Height of the fence? _____

Is there any wildlife in your area that could pose a risk to a pet outside? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Do you have a dog/cat door leading outside? Yes No

If yes, is there a way to shut the door to keep pets from going inside/outside? Yes No

Does any member of your household have an allergy to dogs or cats? Yes No

If yes, to which species and how are the allergies managed?

Is your residence governed by any rules such as Bylaws, HOA or Common Interest Community restrictions with any pet breed/size/species/number restrictions? Yes No

If yes, what are those restrictions? _____

It is your responsibility to verify authorization and pet restrictions with your landlord, HOA, municipality, etc. prior to adopting. In addition, you should understand and agree to adhere to all relevant zoning and animal control codes and ordinances, whether local, county or state, so it is your responsibility to verify the same prior to adopting a pet.

Lifestyle

Describe the activities participated in by those in your household and describe which activities the pet will participate in with you (e.g. lifestyle, hobbies, sports, traveling):

What type of exercise will you provide for the pet? _____

How often are you away from home overnight? _____

What arrangements will you make to take care of your pet when you will be away? _____

Where will the pet be kept during the day? _____

Where will the pet be kept when you are not home? _____

How long will the pet be left alone? _____

Where will the animal sleep? _____

Will the pet spend any time in a garage or shed? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

Are you able to accommodate animals with special nutritional needs? Yes No

If no, please explain:

Special concerns? _____

Do you think we should know anything else about you or the home that you can provide for a pet?

References

Who is your veterinarian? _____

City: _____ State: _____ Phone: _____

Do you give us permission to speak to your veterinarian about this application? Yes No

If no, please explain:

Do you work with other animal professionals? Yes No

Do you give us permission to speak to these professionals about this application? Yes No

If no, please explain:

Professional #1

Name: _____ Occupation: _____

City/State: _____ Phone: _____

Professional #2

Name: _____ Occupation: _____

City/State: _____ Phone: _____

Please provide two personal references:

Personal Reference #1

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Cell: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home: _____

Personal Reference #2

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Cell: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home: _____

Canines Only

Will this dog be used for (circle all that apply):

Companion Companion for other pet House pet Watch dog Guard dog Hunting Sporting

Has your home ever been exposed to Parvovirus? Yes No

If yes, when and what was done to clean the home? _____

Felines Only

Will this cat be used for (circle all that apply):

Companion Companion for other pet House pet Barn cat Mouser Office cat Other

If other, please explain: _____

If you currently have any other cats, please answer these questions for each cat:

Has your cat(s) been tested for Feline Leukemia? Yes No Unknown

Has your cat(s) been tested for FIV? Yes No Unknown

Is your cat(s) declawed? Yes No Is the cat declawed on: Front paws only All four paws

Will you want to declaw your new cat if we adopt one to you? Yes No Unsure

If you want to have declawed a cat, are you interested in adopting one that is already declawed, knowing that declawed cats can have behavior problems? Yes No Maybe

Will you keep the cat in the house? Yes No

Will you keep the cat outdoors with free access indoors and out? Yes No

Will you keep the cat in the barn? Yes No Explain: _____

Signature

I affirm that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I understand that if this application is accepted by DDWR, this application will be part of the adoption agreement and any misrepresentation in this application will constitute a material breach of the adoption agreement. If this application is accepted, and a misrepresentation is discovered by DDWR, any animal adopted pursuant to this application must be immediately returned and surrendered to the Rescue upon request. I understand that my application may be denied without explanation.

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Pet Information

Pet's Name: _____ Breed: _____
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Species: Dog Cat Sex: Male Female
Color and description: _____
Date of birth (required): _____ Age in weeks/months/years: _____
Microchip #: _____ Rabies tag #: _____
Kittens under 12 weeks ONLY – weight: _____ (must be over 2 lbs)

Adopter Information

Name: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____ Cell: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home: _____
Driver's License #: _____ State: _____ Exp date: _____ Work: _____

Disclosures

Doggy Dog World Rescue ("DDWR" or "Rescue"), is a Colorado non-profit corporation with an IRS 501(c)(3) designation. DDWR's main charitable purpose is rescuing cats and dogs from kill shelters from around the country which means that the majority of DDWR's rescued pets are obtained from local pounds or shelters. DDWR pulls many of these animals from animal control/local pounds before euthanasia. DDWR typically does not have much background information on the animals it rescues. Many of the animals were strays, with lack of regular food and water, lack of access to veterinary care, including basic vaccinations, and could have come from a harsh environment, possibly having lived outdoors their entire lives. Many stray/shelter animals may have had ticks and/or fleas, internal parasites, ringworm, ear mites and other zoonotic conditions. DDWR ensures each animal receives veterinary care and examination prior to adoption, treatment of known or common health issues, age appropriate vaccinations and sterilization of puppies/dogs or kittens/cats prior to adoption.

The adoption fee is **non-refundable** and depends on the health concerns that had to be addressed prior to adoption and will be decided on a case by case basis. We accept cash, check (if the address on the check matches the address on the application) or credit card. If you pay by credit card, there will be an additional \$5.00 added to the fee to cover our credit card processing fees.

DDWR will provide a copy or original documents of treatments your pet received while in its care, involving immunizations, medications, and any other veterinary treatments administered prior to adoption. To the extent it has them, DDWR will also provide records of treatments/vaccines/procedures provided to your pet prior to coming into DDWR's care. Dogs under 7 months of age are not tested for heartworm. **DDWR is not liable for any inaccuracies in records it has received from relinquishing entities or individuals.**

DDWR does not provide a health guarantee for its rescue pets and **any** expenses incurred once the pet has been adopted is your responsibility (with the exception of spay/neuter surgery at our designated veterinary office). We prevent these pets from being euthanized in kill shelters, attempt to obtain documentation of prior vaccines, tests, treatments, etc. and address **known** health concerns while the animal is in our care; however, DDWR is not responsible for any health issues once the pet is in your care. We provide a copy of the records of care provided since

the pet was transferred into our possession and any records we received when we acquired the pet. **Puppies and kittens under the age of 4 months are not old enough to have their rabies vaccination.** It will be your responsibility to schedule and pay for the rabies vaccination when he or she is 4 months old. DDWR is providing you with a brochure from the Department of Agriculture regarding the health benefits of rabies vaccines and risk of infection. Most jurisdictions require cats and dogs be vaccinated against rabies.

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Adoption Agreement

Doggy Dog World Rescue ("DDWR" or "Rescue"), a Colorado non-profit corporation agrees to transfer conditional ownership and possession of the pet identified above (hereinafter "Pet") in exchange for the payment and promises in this agreement by the undersigned (Adopter) and, if applicable, Adopter's spouse/significant other, whether or not married or in a civil union (Co-Adopter). **The parties intend to be legally bound by this Agreement for the life of the pet.** I, the Adopter, show my agreement to the following by placing my initials in front of each item:

1. _____ I agree to pay a **non-refundable** adoption fee of \$_____. I understand this fee will not be refunded to me if I return the Pet to Rescue and is the equivalent of a surrender fee in the event of return. I agree to execute a document transferring sole ownership back to the Rescue in the event of return.

2. _____ I acknowledge that I am responsible for veterinarian and medical expenses after adoption and that DDWR is not financially responsible for any expenses after adoption (with the exception of spay/neuter set forth below).

3. _____ I understand that if a Veterinarian deems a puppy or kitten not healthy enough to spay or neuter at their age, I may foster to adopt until such time the Veterinarian completes the procedure. I agree to stay in contact with Doggy Dog World Rescue regarding the care of the puppy or kitten and will take him or her to the Rescue's Veterinarian, to be spayed or neutered when healthy enough.

4. _____ DDWR has microchipped Pet, but has not registered the chip in Adopter's name. Pet's microchip has the Rescue's contact information (address, phone number, email address). **I agree to register my contact information with the microchip provider within 10 days. I agree to always keep the microchip up to date with my current information.** I agree not to remove or alter Rescue's contact information from Pet's microchip. In the event the microchip stops working (backs out after implantation, microchip cannot be found with microchip scanner) I agree to notify Rescue without delay so that a new microchip can be implanted.

5. _____ I understand that this adoption is a lifetime commitment to the pet and I will do everything within my power to care for Pet to ensure its optimum health, safety, and happiness. I understand I must first contact DDWR if, for any reason, I can no longer care for Pet, no longer want to keep Pet, or I am being required to give up ownership of Pet for any reason. **DDWR retains the right of first refusal for reclaiming the Pet and I understand that it may take several weeks until a suitable foster home is found.** I understand that I am responsible for the care of the pet until I have delivered the pet into the proper hands of DDWR and will do everything within my power to safely return the pet to Rescue. I agree Pet shall not be euthanized for behavioral reasons unless I have sought professional help and given DDWR the right to reclaim the pet first, the pet shall not be euthanized for non-medical reasons (if for medical reasons that I cannot afford treatment for, I agree to allow DDWR the option to reclaim the pet first), may not be sold, given to, placed in the care of, offered or delivered for adoption to another person, organization or any other entity including, but not limited to, a family member, friend, rescue facility, research facility, animal control agency or shelter. If I believe I have found a suitable new home for Pet, the individual must be screened and accepted by DDWR and will be required to complete an application and adoption agreement.

6. _____ I understand that if I am adopting this Pet with another person as named below, whether or not we are married or in a civil union, both of us are co-owners of the pet and agree to do what is in the pet's best interest in the event the relationship terminates. In the event we cannot agree on who should get the pet, we agree to submit the issue of custody and ownership to binding arbitration with the best interest of the pet standard as the standard the arbiter shall follow in determining custody and ownership. If it is in the best interest of the pet to surrender it to DDWR, I will contact DDWR as stated above.

7. _____ DDWR takes reasonable care to adopt only those pet animals that are free from undisclosed disease, injury or abnormality. Pet's known background and medical history have been discussed with me. I understand and acknowledge that it has been disclosed to me that the Pet I am adopting currently has tested positive with, or has been treated for the following disease, injury or abnormality (including behavioral concerns): _____

8. _____ I acknowledge that Pet is adopted **"as is"**. I understand that Rescue has made no implied or express warranties or guarantees concerning the health, condition, breed, age, training, behavior, or temperament of the Pet, and has disclosed above the issues of

which DDWR is currently aware of. I understand that any description of breed is a guess and I have been advised to have DNA testing done at my expense prior to adoption if I live in an area with breed restrictions. I agree to immediately contact DDWR if I am informed by housing or legal authorities that breed restrictive policies or laws may require removal or surrender of Pet. I understand that DDWR provides the information it has about Pet, including any vaccination or veterinary records in its possession but cannot certify to the completeness or accuracy of documentation obtained from other sources, such as the party who surrendered the Pet to DDWR.

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9. _____ I understand that no one can predict how any pet will react in a given situation, especially without complete knowledge of its prior life experiences and background. I have been advised that Rescue strongly urges me to exercise prudence and caution in introducing Pet into any new situation (for example children, dog parks, stores, groomer, vet, other homes and meeting other animals) until Pet has become fully adjusted to its new environment and I have had an opportunity to become familiar with Pet's unique personality. DDWR is available to assist with recommendations for behavioral training, veterinary referrals, and other resources. I will be responsible for any associated costs.

10. _____ I am taking possession of Pet at my own risk and I release Rescue, its officers, directors, members, employees, representatives, agents or assigns from any and all liability arising out of possession of Pet, including failure of Pet to respond to commands taught to Pet while in Rescue's care. I agree to indemnify and hold Rescue and its officers, directors, agents and representatives harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of liability for any reason including bodily injury, death, property damage, including any and all actions, causes of action, suits, debts, dues, accounts, covenants, agreements, judgements, claims and demand of any nature whatsoever arising out of my adoption of Pet from Rescue. **I accept all responsibility and liability for all interactions with people and other animals and I agree to indemnify and defend Rescue from any suits or claims brought against Rescue by anyone (including property) allegedly caused by Pet's actions.**

11. _____ In the event any behavioral concerns arise, including but not limited to displays of aggression, I will immediately notify DDWR, who will offer behavioral counseling referrals. I agree to obtain professional behavioral assistance and allow DDWR the opportunity to assess if the pet can be safely returned to DDWR's foster program before considering euthanasia for behavioral issues. If the appropriate professionals recommend euthanization, it is my responsibility to handle accordingly.

12. _____ I acknowledge and agree that animal bites or other injuries to humans and other animals do occur and that all animals can carry and transmit parasites, diseases, including zoonotic diseases that can be transferred from animals to humans. I understand that Rescue will not be responsible for the transmission or transfer of any disease or parasite to other animals or people in the adopting household and no attempt will be made by me or anyone on my behalf to hold Rescue responsible.

13. _____ I agree to provide the pet with the necessary vaccinations and provide all necessary medical treatments as advised by my veterinarian. I agree to obtain immediate veterinary care should the pet become sick or injured, and to take full financial responsibility for such veterinary expenses. Failure to do so is a material breach of this agreement.

14. _____ I agree Pet will be kept as an indoor pet and agree to allow it full access to my home. I agree to provide the pet with fresh water, wholesome food, adequate exercise, and affection. I agree to comply with local and state statutes and ordinances, including licensing and leash laws. I will not allow the pet to roam or run at large. Canines: I agree that I currently and will always have and maintain a fenced yard at the home where Pet will be, or I understand that I must demonstrate to Rescue an ability to properly exercise and keep Pet safe while going to the bathroom. I agree not to tie up or chain the pet or to allow it to ride uncaged in the back of a pick-up truck or open vehicle. Felines: I will not let my Pet outside unless on a properly fitting harness that the Pet cannot wriggle out of that is on a leash held by a responsible adult or in a fully enclosed outdoor area (i.e. "cattio").

15. _____ If the pet is a cat, I agree NOT to declaw the cat under any circumstances, understanding that declawing is the painful amputation of the first knuckle, which renders the pet defenseless and inflicts unnecessary pain. If the pet is a dog, I agree not to debark, defang, or crop the ears or tail of the dog under any circumstances.

16. _____ If the pet is a dog, I understand that DDWR has made every effort to crate train the pet and DDWR recommends that the pet is continued to be crated in its new home when I am unable to tend to the pet and during the night. Crates provide for a safe environment for rescue pets in addition to a controlled environment for food aggression, potty training, and appropriate behavior reinforcement.

17. _____ I will not abuse or neglect the Pet or allow it to be abused or neglected. Pet shall not participate or be trained as a guard dog or fighting dog, nor will I use it for any purpose other than companionship. I will not allow any physical, mental, or emotional abuse of the Pet. I authorize Rescue, at its sole discretion, to determine whether or not Pet has been abused or neglected while in my possession and to declare this agreement in breach and reclaim the pet.

18. _____ I will not use a choke-type collar, prong collar or shock collar at any time. **I will attach personal identification tag to a non-choke collar to be worn at all times.**

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19. _____ In the event Pet becomes lost; I will immediately notify Rescue. I will immediately notify the Rescue of any change of my contact information (address, phone number(s), or email address). I authorize any individual or agency to release the pet back to DDWR if Pet is found abandoned, running at large or is brought to a shelter facility for any reason. I understand that Rescue may not return Pet to my care if Pet became lost or impounded through my negligence as determined in Rescue's sole opinion, or any breach of this agreement.

20. _____ I will not leave Pet unattended with small children.

21. _____ I affirm that no member of my household has been convicted or charged with any animal welfare law violation such as hoarding, unsanitary conditions, neglect, cruelty, abandonment, etc. I affirm that no member of my household has been convicted or charged with any domestic violence or sex crime.

22. _____ I affirm that if I rent or do not personally own the residence where I live (i.e. living with family or friend, etc.), I have the permission of my landlord/property owner to adopt this Pet. I agree to pay any pet deposit or pet rent required to keep my pet. I will provide a fully executed landlord/property owner consent within 10 days. Failure to do so is a material breach of this agreement. I affirm that if I rent or do not personally own the residence where I live (i.e. living with family or friend, etc.), I have the permission of my landlord/property owner to adopt this Pet. I agree to pay any pet deposit or pet rent required to keep my pet. **I will provide a fully executed landlord/property owner consent within 10 days.** Failure to do so is a material breach of this agreement.

23. _____ I affirm that all of the members of my household agree with the decision to adopt Pet and will treat Pet as a family member.

24. _____ I will ensure compliance with all applicable local ordinances and state statutes regarding ownership of Pet. If I am charged with violating any such ordinance or statute while in possession of Pet, I understand that Rescue is not responsible for obtaining legal counsel for me or for paying any fines or penalties assessed. However, in the event local animal control is seeking surrender or destruction of Pet, I agree to contact Rescue immediately to discuss surrendering the Pet back to Rescue, and agree to notify the legal representatives involved of the existence of this contract and Rescue's right to reclaim the Pet.

25. _____ I agree to allow DDWR to conduct home visits at mutually agreeable times upon request for the duration of this agreement. I represent to DDWR that my home is a safe, clean environment for Pet. In the event I refuse the inspection, or the home is deemed unsuitable for Pet, I understand that this is a material breach of the agreement and I agree to surrender the pet to DDWR.

26. _____ I acknowledge that DDWR makes a lifetime commitment to any pet it has adopted. Failure to comply with any of the adoption contract requirements constitutes grounds for DDWR to deem this contract in breach and reclaim the adopted pet. **DDWR will provide written notice to my last known address in the event it believes any term or condition of this Agreement has been breached. I agree to voluntarily surrender the pet to DDWR upon receipt of such notice, making no charges of any nature for licensing, care, food, or any other services.**

27. _____ I agree that any legal action pertaining to this agreement shall be heard in Denver County Court (or its small claims division), Colorado. In the event Rescue has to file a replevin action to recover possession of Pet, I voluntarily waive my right to attend a show cause hearing under Colorado Rule of Civil Procedure 411 and agree that the Court has the authority to issue a pre-judgment order of possession of Pet to the Rescue without the necessity of posting a bond.

28. _____ I acknowledge that breach of this agreement will result in travel costs, court costs and attorney fees payable by me if legal action or travel is necessary for Rescue to recover Pet. I understand that Pet has intrinsic value and is not replaceable, so if Pet is altered or treated in any way prohibited by this agreement, euthanized, lost, given away or otherwise unable to be returned to the Rescue, I will be in breach of this agreement and will be subject to pay liquidated damages to the Rescue in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the intrinsic value of Pet in addition to all attorney's fees and costs and actual damages incurred as a result of the breach. DDWR shall be entitled to all attorney fees and costs incurred in any legal action brought by either party as a result of my adoption of Pet or any alleged breach of any of the terms of this agreement.

29. _____ I understand that by voluntarily signing this agreement, I am entering into a **legal and binding contract** with DDWR. I understand that any misrepresentations in my application or failure to abide by any of the terms of this agreement are cause for Rescue to declare this agreement in breach and notify me of its intention to reclaim Pet. **THE REPRESENTATIONS** contained in the Adoption Application are incorporated herein by reference and DDWR is relying on those representations in entering into this Agreement. **THIS AGREEMENT** is the entire agreement between DDWR and Adopter and supersedes any prior understandings between the parties with respect to the subject

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matter of this Agreement. No modification of this Agreement will be valid unless in writing and duly signed by DDWR and the Adopter. This Agreement is binding upon the heirs, assigns, successors, personal representatives, and executors of both parties.

Signatures

_____ I agree to and understand all terms of this adoption contract and have read and initialed each numbered paragraph.

_____ I have received the Rabies Prevention Pamphlet provided by PACFA.

_____ I have received DDWR's veterinarian/vaccination records for this pet.

_____ If I am married or in a civil union, my spouse/partner is signing as co-owner/Adopter and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement to the same extent as Adopter.

My spouse's/partner's name is: _____

Adopter:

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Adopter's spouse/partner/significant other – I agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement to the same extent as the Adopter

Doggy Dog World Rescue Acceptance:

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Use Only

Non-refundable application fee received: \$ _____	Form of payment: _____
Deadline to provide landlord/property owner consent letter (10 days): _____	
Deadline to register microchip (10 days): _____	