



9071 16 ½ Avenue Lemoore, CA 93245 Phone: (559) 925-1630 E-mail:<u>halfwayhomeca@gmail.com</u>

ADOPTION AGREEMENT & CONTRACT

Animal Name (At Shelter):	/ Animal Name (By Adopter):
Animal Type:	Breed:
Animal Color:	Sex: Altered M / Altered F / Unaltered M / Unaltered I
Animal Microchip Number:	Adoption Donation Fee: \$
Adopter Name:	DOB:
Adopters Driver's License:	DoD ID:
Co-Adopter Name:	DOB:
Co-Adopters Driver's License:	DoD ID:
Address:	
	State:Zip:
Phone Number:	Cell:
Email (required):	
Emergency Contact:	Phone:

(Emergency Contact cannot live in same residence and shall be a family member)

Kings S.P.C.A. (*d/b/a Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home*), a California 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, and the undersigned in consideration of the mutual covenants in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, intending to be legally bound by this Agreement, agree to the following:

I, ______, on this _____ day of ______ in the year ______, hereafter referred to as the adopter, hereby agree that the above described animal is being adopted by me solely as a pet for myself and/or my immediate family. I agree that I will not sell, give away or otherwise dispose of said animal to any person(s), dealer, retailer, auction, institute or any other entity for any reason. If at a later date I am unable or unwilling to keep this pet, I agree to first contact the Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home and give them the option to reclaim, find placement, and/or foster. I understand a surrender fee may apply. Euthanasia recommended only by a veterinarian for humane purposes due to injury or illness is authorized.

If the animal is listed as "unaltered" above, this adoption contract is not finalized until either the animal has been spayed/neutered by us or the adopter produce a certificate of sterility to Kings S.P.C.A. The adopter agrees to not cosmetically alter the animal for any reason. This includes but is not limited to ear cropping or tail docking. If the animal is cosmetically altered by the adopted, it is a violation of this agreement.

Adopter agrees to care for the above described pet in a humane and responsible manner and to provide it with clean and adequate shelter, food, water, and veterinary care. I further agree that said pet shall reside inside my home and shall not be allowed to roam freely. The keeping of the adopted outside for prolong periods is forbidden.

Adopter agrees to abide by the state laws, city, and county ordinances regarding dogs, including licensing my pet with the city/county it will be residing in. I hereby agree that this pet shall wear a collar or harness with identification tags at all times.

Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home reserves the right to investigate, unannounced, the living conditions of any animal adopted from Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home and Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home may reclaim/remove any such animal being kept in violation of the adoption agreement any time within 2 (two) years from the date of adoption. If Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home has to reclaim the animal due to the adopter's abuse or neglect, the adopter will pay all medical expenses for the animal incurred by Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home.

Adopter agrees that the adoption fee helps to cover Kings S.P.C.A expense of raising and caring for the animal, cover any medical expenses prior to adoption, and help support the rescue of future animals. The fee is not refundable after a trial period of 14 days. Prior to 14 days, I may return the animal minus \$50 dollars plus any credit card fees.

I do hereby consent and agree that the Kings S.P.C.A, its employees, or agents, have the right to take photographs, videotape, or digital recordings of me, and/or my family members, when adopting a animal and post them to social media, newsletters, and any other media. I represent that I am at least 18 years of age, have read and understand the foregoing statement, and am competent to execute this agreement.

I hereby understand and agree that Kings S.P.C.A. makes no representations or warranties, expressed or implied, about the above mentioned animal's temperament and is hereby absolved from any liability for future damages or injuries caused by said animal. I also understand and agree that Kings S.P.C.A. further gives no guarantees, expressed or implied, of the suitability of the animal to the adopter and/or his family.

Adopter agrees, if my animal is a dog weighing over 25 lbs or a puppy that will grow to weigh over 25 lbs should complete an obedience training course of no less than (6 weeks) or if Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home has determined that the dog you have chosen to adopt needs professional training or that the dog is still young and should be enrolled in an obedience course. The adopter agrees to enroll the dog in an obedience/training course, within two (2) months of the adoption date. Training must be provided in person by a certified trainer, once the dog has completed the entire course, adopter must mail or e-mail a copy of the Certificate of Completion to Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home.

Behavior issues that might lead to abandonment of the animal, I hereby agree to contact the obedience trainer as well as Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home to follow the recommendation in resolving any issues as an effort to maintain custody of the animal.

Adopter agrees to provide Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home with their current address for a period of two years after the date of adoption in order for Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home to conduct any home checks Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home deems necessary.

Adopter agrees to make an immediate and serious effort to find the animal if it becomes lost, by (a) filing lost reports with animal control authorities, animal shelters, and local veterinarians and pet stores, (b) contacting us for additional support and advice. Furthermore, Adopter understands that if the loss was the result of negligence or failure to comply with the covenants of this Agreement, Kings S.P.C.A. Halfway Home reserves the right not to return the animal and to place the animal into a new home.

This Agreement, for all purposes, shall be construed in accordance with the laws of California without regard to conflicts-of-law principles. Any action or proceeding by either Party to enforce this Agreement shall be brought in



Kings County, California. The Parties hereby irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of said court and waive the defense of inconvenient forum to the maintenance of any such action or proceeding in said venue.

KENNEL COUGH/TRACHEOBRONCHITIS ADDENDUM: Though we do not adopt out animals we believe have or are confirmed to have, kennel cough is common in shelter animals. Kennel cough can be cause but either a viral or bacterial infection. The most common type of kennel cough is Bordetella Brochiseptica. Kennel cough causes inflammation of the dog's voice box and windpipe. It is similar to a chest cold in humans. The symptoms of kennel cough are a persistent dry cough with a "hacking" sound. It may almost sound like your dog is choking. Some smaller breed dogs may do an inverted sneeze. Most of the time your dog will still maintain their appetite and activity level. In some cases your dog may run a fever and have nasal and eye discharge. Kennel cough is highly contagious. Your dog can catch kennel cough through aerosols in the air, direct contact (dog to dog), or though germs in contaminated objects. Kennel cough is so contagious that is can be transmitted by sharing a water dish at the dog park. Dogs with the biggest risks are dogs that come in contact with new dogs often (dog parks, pet stores, groomers, kennels, etc...), or dogs that are kept in poorly ventilated areas. Smoke, dust, cold temperatures, and shipping stress can be causes as well. Young, elderly and unvaccinated dogs are at high risk as well. The incubation period from your time a dog catches kennel cough till they show signs is between 3-5 days and the symptoms can last up to 3 weeks. Dogs can shed the Bordetella organisms for up to 3 months after infection. If your dog cough does not improve or starts to show signs of labored (heavy) breathing you should call your veterinarian immediately as these can be signs of something more than just kennel cough. Kennel cough is extremely contagious to other dogs. If your dog is showing signs you need to ISOLATE them immediately. In most case kennel cough will run its course on its own. A veterinarian will prescribe medication as a kennel cough treatment.

BREACH OF AGREEMENT; LIQUIDATED DAMAGES. In the event that you do not comply with the terms of this Agreement, or the animal is abused or neglected, one of our remedies will be to recover the animal from you upon demand. Promptly after the demand we will come to your residence and you will surrender the animal to us immediately. In addition, without waiving any of our rights under this Agreement, you will be obligated to pay all costs associated with the recovery of the animal, said amount to be not less than \$500.00, to compensate us for our costs and expenses in connection with the Adopter's breach of this Agreement.

I certify that all statements made by me on this adoption agreement are true and correct. I agree that Kings S.P.C.A. has the right to confiscate the above described animal in the event that any statements made by me are found to be false and/or my check for the adoption fee is returned for insufficient funds. Additionally I agree to the full terms and conditions, not described above, which are available upon my request.

	DATE:	
ADOPTER'S SIGNATURE		
	DATE:	
CO-ADOPTER'S SIGNATURE		
	DATE:	
STAFF SIGNATURE		



THANK YOU FOR ADOPTING ME!

I am so happy that you chose me to be a part of your family, I can't wait to get home and shower you with all the love that I have! There are a few things I would like you to know about making me a part of your amazing family. It might take a while for me to fully adjust to my new home, my past may or may not have been in a home and my training could be some or none so this is all new to me.

Your home is a new and exciting place for me, so I might be a bundle of emotions for a while while I settle in but I just need some time to adjust to my new surroundings. I might seem shy or scared, or I could be extremely energetic and curious about everything, so just bare with me for a while. After all I was in a shelter and now I have all this free space to be myself; my emotions might get the best of me at first.

My potty training might not be what you are expecting. If I was never in a home environment I may never had been potty trained, or maybe it was a long time ago and I forgot while waiting for a home to call my own. Please be patient with me and my potty training needs. Your home is full of all these new smells. I might not be able to help my self at first, but if we work on it together I promise I won't let you down.

Depending on my age and temperament, I might think everything is a toy that will satisfy my needs for chewing and play. So some toys to call my own and proper play time will help any possible mishaps from happening.

Food at the shelter is all donations, so the brand is always changing. Whatever food your select to give me is greatly appreciated, just remember while my tummy adjusts I might have some unusual poo's which should be normal once I get use to it.

I'm so excited to start our life together, I can't wait for all the adventures and snuggles we will share. Please feel free to keep the Kings S.P.C.A updated on our journey, they love to see all of us shelter animals thriving and living our best lives.

Within the first 14 days after adopting me, please call Kings S.P.C.A at (559) 925-1630 for any of the following reasons: (1) If you need any advice or have any questions about me, (2) If there are any medical issues: I did come from a shelter surrounded with other animals for a while so I might have picked up a little cold or something that will be taken care of by the shelter so I can be 100% healthy for you.

And if for any reason after you take me home it doesn't work out, I can be returned to the shelter for a full refund of the adoption fee minus any fees in the contract. If I am returned, please leave a note for the shelter staff with my best qualities and what might need some work. That way when I am adopted again, every knows more about me.

Now, lets go get some treats and snuggle!