



FOSTER-TO-ADOPT CONTRACT

Eastern Plains Animal Welfare Alliance's Foster-to-Adopt Program was created to place unaltered cats/kittens into approved forever homes in a foster situation prior to adoption. The Foster-to-Adopt Program allows approved applicants to take an unaltered cat into their home until the animal is old enough or healthy enough to be spay/neutered by a licensed veterinarian. If the Foster-to-Adopt family is accepted, they will foster the cat until it is altered then the adoption contract will be finalized.

In order to be accepted into this program, Foster-to-Adopt applicants must have an approved foster application and home visit with EPAWA. In addition, applicants must sign the Foster to Adopt Agreement which requires compliance with all of the Foster-to-Adopt terms and conditions, including the adoption procedures.

You must be over 21 years of age to foster to adopt or adopt from EPAWA.

I, _____, agree to provide temporary foster care for the following cat(s):

Name _____ Breed: _____

Color: _____ Gender: _____

Approximate age: _____

from EPAWA.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND INITIAL EACH PARAGRAPH

I understand that:

1. EPAWA is entering into this Foster-to-Adopt Agreement as a courtesy to me to allow me to have custody of this cat until it can be spayed or neutered; _____
2. EPAWA has a strict policy that all cats must be spayed or neutered at a veterinary hospital selected by EPAWA unless other arrangements are made before an adoption can be completed; _____; and
3. I must comply with EPAWA policies concerning this cat while the cat is still in temporary foster care. _____

I understand that the custody of this cat will be temporary until it is spayed or neutered, at which time its adoption by me will be complete.

I agree to pay the adoption fee of _____ at the time of the signing of this agreement.

As a Temporary Foster Home for EPAWA, with the intention of adopting the fostered cat, I agree to comply with the following conditions and requirements:

1. The cat is and shall remain the sole property of the EPAWA until it is spayed or neutered and the adoption is finalized. If for any reason the adoption is not finalized, I understand that upon the request of the EPAWA the cat shall be relinquished to EPAWA and the adoption fee may be refunded.
2. I will provide the cat with good care, including but not limited to, proper food, fresh water, shelter, exercise, grooming, training and medication when required.

3. I will comply with all instructions received from the EPAWA and will not deviate from any instructions as to the care and maintenance of the cat without consulting with a representative of the EPAWA.
4. I agree to maintain the animal as my own household pet and companion.
5. I agree to comply with all Colorado State laws and local ordinances applicable to the cat
6. I agree not to abandon, trade, give away, or sell the cat, nor is the cat to be used or sold for commercial use or research purposes. If I no longer desire or am unable to keep the cat within the terms of this agreement, the cat must be returned to EPAWA. The cat is NEVER to be turned over to an animal shelter or passed to another owner.
7. I agree to keep the cat under my control and not let the cat roam freely outside of the home or fenced yard. Keeping the cat on a chain, rope, cat-run or similar device is not permitted.
8. I will provide a safe and loving home environment and will socialize the cat to humans and other cats. Cats are not to be excessively crated (not more than a total of 6 hours in a 24 hour period).
9. I will provide basic training or reinforcement of proper house manners and obedience skills. This training and reinforcement will be done only by positive reinforcement. At no time will the foster to adopt home use punishment as a training tool.
10. I agree to properly supervise said cat at all times. I will be physically present when the cat is allowed outside during which time the cat will either be in a fenced area and/or leashed.
11. I agree to the following in regard to veterinary care:
 - a. I have been provided with veterinary records that show that the animal has received appropriate veterinary care to date and is in good health except for the following medical conditions about which I have been informed:

 - b. If the cat needs medical attention, a member of EPAWA must be contacted immediately and must approve all vet visits. Said visit must be with one of EPAWA's approved vets with whom we work. If FOSTER takes foster pet to an unapproved vet for any reason, FOSTER agrees to be responsible for all medical bills incurred as a result of said unapproved vet visit except in cases of emergency when the cat's life may be in danger.
 - c. EPAWA will make arrangements for spay/neuter surgery and I agree that I will take this cat to its spay/neuter appointment and for any other necessary veterinary care as directed by EPAWA unless other arrangements have been made by mutual agreement. **There are no exceptions to the requirement that the animal must be spayed/neutered before its adoption is complete.**
12. As soon as the spaying/neutering of this cat is completed, the signed adoption contract and any necessary veterinary records will be forwarded to me. I agree that I am responsible for the cost of any veterinary care after this adoption is complete.
13. This agreement is not transferable. If I am unable to care for the cat I will immediately return the animal to the EPAWA.
14. I give permission to EPAWA to enter upon my premises at anytime upon reasonable notice for the purpose of determining whether or not I am complying with this Agreement, and to remove the cat in the event that I violate the terms of this Agreement.
15. I understand that other animals in my household could be exposed to medical or behavioral conditions that have not been recognized in the foster cat placed with me by EPAWA, and that EPAWA is not liable for any disease or injury of my own companion animals or other exposed animal.

16. I agree not to attempt to hold the EPAWA responsible for any damages which the cat may do to any person or property. I specifically release EPAWA of any responsibility pertaining to any damage to property or personal injury or any occurrence relating to the cat and shall hold EPAWA harmless regarding any damage or injury(ies) of any nature whatsoever, and agree to notify EPAWA immediately of any damages and/or injury(ies).
17. I recognize this is an Agreement and have signed this Agreement freely and voluntarily.

 Temporary Foster Home Caretaker Date

 EPAWA Representative Date

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Your contact person for any questions or problems is:

_____ Home Phone _____

_____ Cell Phone _____

If you cannot reach your contact person please call Terrill Bartels at 719-340-0644 or Shannon Albers at 719-343-0862.

Your spay/neuter appointment for this animal is:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Name of Veterinarian: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Pre-surgery instructions: _____

Finalized Adoption

Date: _____

_____ (Please initial) I confirm that I have received the rabies information and handout from EPAWA are disclosed to me at the time of adoption

_____ (Please initial) I confirm that all medical/treatment records pertaining to the animal being adopted are disclosed to me upon adoption