

# Double-Coated Dog Shaving Release Form

**Client Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Pet's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Appointment:** \_\_\_\_\_

## 1. Purpose of Shaving

I understand that my pet is a double-coated breed (e.g., Siberian Husky, Alaskan Malamute, German Shepherd, etc.), and that shaving may be recommended for grooming purposes. I understand that double-coated dogs have a coat structure designed to provide insulation and protection from environmental factors, and shaving may impact this natural protection.

## 2. Acknowledgment of Risks

I acknowledge the following risks associated with shaving my double-coated dog:

- **Disruption of Natural Coat Growth:** Shaving a double-coated dog may cause the undercoat to regrow unevenly, leading to patchy fur or a change in texture. This may affect the appearance of my pet's coat and may not fully return to its original state.
- **Increased Heat Sensitivity:** After shaving, my dog may become more sensitive to temperature extremes (hot or cold), as the natural insulation provided by the double coat will be removed. I understand that I must take extra care to protect my pet from overheating or exposure to cold.
- **Coat Texture Changes:** Shaving a double-coated dog may result in a change in coat texture, which may cause the undercoat to become coarser or softer than before, and may result in increased shedding or matting as the coat grows back.
- **Potential for Skin Damage:** Shaving can sometimes cause skin irritation, cuts, or nicks, especially in thick-coated breeds. While care will be taken, there is a risk of minor injury or irritation.
- **Health Risks:** In some cases, the stress of shaving may exacerbate existing health conditions or cause skin or coat problems that could require veterinary attention.

## 3. Grooming Procedure

I authorize the groomer to proceed with the shaving of my dog, understanding that this will involve cutting or clipping the fur to remove the undercoat. I understand that the groomer will make every effort to ensure my pet's safety and comfort during the grooming session.

#### **4. Alternative Grooming Options**

I have been made aware of alternative grooming methods that may be less invasive, such as hand-stripping, brushing, or de-shedding treatments. I understand that these methods may help maintain my pet's natural coat while reducing matting, but may not always be effective if the coat is severely matted.

#### **5. Release of Liability**

I, acknowledge the risks associated with shaving my double-coated dog and hereby release Daisy Doodles Grooming and its employees from any liability arising from the grooming process, including but not limited to skin irritation, injury, changes in coat texture, or any other effects caused by shaving. I understand that while the grooming process will be performed with care and expertise, there are inherent risks involved.

#### **6. Owner's Responsibilities**

- I confirm that I have informed the groomer of any known health conditions, allergies, or special care requirements for my pet.
- I understand that I am responsible for monitoring my pet's post-grooming care, especially concerning temperature regulation and potential skin sensitivities.

**Signature of Pet Owner:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the potential risks of shaving a double-coated dog and give my consent for the grooming to proceed under the conditions outlined above.