



Adoption Contract

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This adoption agreement is entered into on _____ (date), between Animal Protection Society of Person County (hereafter referred to as "APS" or "Rescue Organization" and _____ (hereafter referred to as the "Adopter".)

The Adopter agrees to adopt the following pet named: _____ (hereafter referred to as "rescue pet" or "pet") from the Rescue Organization.

Adoption Fee: \$ _____ Additional Donation: \$ _____

Breed: Dog/Cat (circle one)

Age: Color:

Sex: Microchip #

Name and Phone Number of Veterinarian you will be using for this pet:

The APS Team is interested in a satisfactory adoption for you, as well as for the rescue pet. Therefore:

APS of PC AGREES TO:

- 1.) Ensure the rescue pet is up-to-date on (age appropriate) vaccinations, monthly heartworm/flea & tick preventatives; updated veterinary records are provided noting this information at the time of adoption.
- 2.) Microchip the pet in advance of adoption and provide registration details.
- 3.) Have pet spayed/neutered prior to the adoption unless otherwise noted (due to age, etc.). See addendum for additional information if applicable.
- 4.) Provide helpful information about the pet from the foster family.

THE ADOPTER AGREES TO:

- 1.) Provide adequate food and water, clean and dry shelter, and daily exercise, if you are adopting a dog. A cat will be kept inside 100% of the time.
- 2.) Adhere to all applicable laws governing control and custody of pets.
- 3.) Provide a safe collar with a rabies tag and an I.D. tag with Adopter's contact information.

- 4.) Provide and finance all medical care and treatment required by the pet **from the time of adoption**. This includes: **annual medical checkups and vaccines recommended by your vet, monthly heartworm prevention, and flea and tick prevention. (for puppies this may include any remaining vaccinations and/or rabies vaccination and spay/neuter. Please follow up with your vet ASAP after adoption.)** Please note that APS has assessed your new pet and makes no guarantee of future health concerns since long-term health histories are rarely available.
- 5.) Adopt this pet as a personal companion, **not as a gift and never to be used for research purposes.**
- 6.) Make this pet’s primary living space inside my home in my normal living quarters. This pet will not be kept outside at all times (tethered or in a pen) or confined to one room with the door closed.
- 7.) Not keep the pet on leased or rental property when there is a “no pet” policy.
- 8.) Accept the liability for, and take steps to prevent, any damaging pet behavior. While in the care of APS (rescue organization), the dog/cat displayed the following behavior: _____

 (Description does not guarantee that the pet will always exhibit such behavior or that it will not develop new behaviors. A person who is neither a professional, nor a certified pet behaviorist or trainer documented these behaviors.)

RETURNING A PET:

If within two (2) weeks of the adoption date, the animal should be returned to APS and a full adoption fee refund will be mailed to the Adopter.

If, for the first three (3) months after the adoption date, the Adopter finds they can not keep the rescue pet, it will be assessed by an APS or PC representative and, if there is a foster available, it will be returned to APS or PC with no refund allowed. If no foster is available at that time, the animal will remain the sole responsibility of the adopter.

APS or PC will be held blameless for any injury or death that may occur to other pets in the adoptive household. Care should be taken to acclimate rescue pet to their new surroundings and its inhabitants.

UNUSUAL CONDITIONS FOR THE CONTRACT:

If any of the above conditions are not complied with by the Adopter, ownership of the pet shall revert to Rescue Organization upon demand. In this case, as the Adopter, I give permission for an agent or representative of APS or PC to remove the rescue pet from my premises and entry shall not be constituted as trespass upon the premises occupied, _____ (Adopter’s initials).

Additional Vaccination, Rabies and/or Spay/Neuter due:

- Vaccinations due _____ (Responsibility of new owner)
- Rabies due _____ (Responsibility of new owner)
- Spay/Neuter due by _____ (see adoption contract addendum)
- Other _____

Adopter verifies that he/she is 18 years of age or older and fully understands the contracted obligations set above.

Signed and witnessed on _____ (date).

Adopter's Name & Signature

Address City State Zip

Primary Phone Number

Email address

Rescue Organization Representative

****Spay/Neuter Agreement****

Permanent ownership of this APS of PC rescue pet is contingent upon your compliance with this Addendum.

All pets adopted through APS of PC should be spayed/neutered (or have an appointment for this procedure) prior to adoption unless the pet is too young at the time of adoption.

APS of PC is to be notified once the surgery has been performed. It is the responsibility of the Adopter, not the veterinarian, to ensure that APS of PC has received verification of the surgery.

In the event that the rescue pet's health does not allow this agreement to be honored, APS of PC must be provided with a statement from Adopter's veterinarian noting that the pet is not yet in physical or emotional condition for surgery. Based upon the veterinarian's evaluation of this pet, the Adopter will contact the veterinarian and establish the earliest date that the procedure can be performed. In addition, Adopter will notify APS of PC of this amendment in writing, at which time all other conditions of this agreement will apply and be enforced.

I understand that this spay/neuter agreement is an agreement that this pet will not produce a litter of puppies, either as purposely bred or by accidental breeding. If the pet is not spay/neutered by the agreed date below, with proof sent to Rescue Organization, the Adopter will pay a fee of \$25 per month until proof has been sent.

Failure to comply with this agreement by the date below, unless otherwise agreed to in writing, will be considered a breach of the Contract, and Adopter will be required to transport the pet back to an APS of PC representative.

By my signature below, I, as the Adopter, agree to have this pet spayed/neutered by no later than _____ (date).

Adopter's Name (printed): _____

Adopter's Signature: _____

Rescue Organization Rep's Signature: _____ Today's Date _____