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**Richardson Humane Society**  
**DOG ADOPTION CONTRACT**

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RHS Tag

<b>Adopter's Name</b>	
<b>Address (street/apt)</b>	
<b>City, State, Zip</b>	
<b>Home</b>	<b>Work Phone</b>
<b>Cell Phone</b>	
<b>E-mail</b>	

<b>Pet's Name</b>	<b>Approximate Age</b>
<b>Breed/Description</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Female</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Male</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Altered</b>
<b>Foster</b>	
<b>Immunizations</b>	
<b>Clinic Name</b> _____	
<b>Phone Number</b> _____	
<b>Rabies</b> _____	<b>Heartworm Test</b> _____
<b>DHPP</b> _____	<b>HW Preventative</b> _____
<b>Bordetella</b> _____	<b>Fecal</b> _____

**PREAMBLE**

I understand and agree that Richardson Humane Society (RHS) is not selling this pet to me, but instead is placing this pet in my care and custody with the understanding and agreement that I will become the faithful guardian of this pet and care for him/her in a manner to ensure his/her good health and well being. I further understand and agree that in placing this pet in my care and custody, RHS is relying on me to fully and completely perform all of my obligations set out in this contract.

**TERMS**

- \_\_\_ 1. I agree my adoption fee to RHS of \$\_\_\_ is NON-REFUNDABLE, even if the pet is returned to RHS.
- \_\_\_ 2. Right of First Refusal: I will notify RHS if I am unable/unwilling to keep this pet and will keep the pet secure until the pet has been returned to RHS. The pet adopted will reside with me and will never be taken to a shelter, given or sold to another party, or abandoned. If this pet is lost or stolen, I will notify RHS immediately.
- \_\_\_ 3. I will comply with all state and local ordinances in the confinement, care, and licensing of this pet. I will reclaim this pet promptly, and pay any required fees if he/she is picked up by an animal control agency. I will keep at least two forms of ID on this pet at all times, including a rabies tag. I will keep RHS tags on the animal until such time the new owner tags are securely on the animal.
- \_\_\_ 4. I agree that all future medical and health maintenance treatments are my responsibility, unless RHS has specifically agreed to pay for them under the "special provisions" at the end of this contract. I agree to **contact \_\_\_ Vet of Record or \_\_\_ my vet** within 2 weeks of the date of this contract and purchase a 6-month supply of heartworm preventative medication and flea/tick protection and furnish RHS with the name and contact information of the veterinarian and proof of such purchase. I will administer monthly heartworm preventative to him/her year round.
- \_\_\_ 5. I will protect this pet with annual vaccinations and routine medical care and health maintenance as recommended by my veterinarian. I will seek immediate (at time of injury or sign of illness) veterinary care if this pet becomes ill or is injured. I understand this is for the lifetime of the pet.
- \_\_\_ 6. I will buy and use a crate as advised. My dog will be primarily indoors, interacting with my family and will not be banished to the yard. I will never tie my dog to a chain or rope or leave him/her unattended for long periods.
- \_\_\_ 7. I agree to update RHS by e-mail, fax, or phone within 48 hours and by e-mail or fax within 2 weeks after this adoption and thereafter as requested.
- \_\_\_ 8. I understand that RHS makes no guarantees regarding the age, nature, temperament, or health of this pet. I assume all risk and responsibility of ownership of this pet once he/she is in my possession. I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless RHS and its agents against any and all claims including claims of property damage and/or personal injury, which arise from my adoption of this pet.
- \_\_\_ 9. If I fail to fully and timely comply with the terms of this contract, I will voluntarily and immediately release ownership, possession, custody, and control of this pet to RHS; if I fail to do so, RHS will be entitled to enforce specific performance of this contract in addition to any other legal remedy available to RHS.
- \_\_\_ 10. I agree that it may be difficult to determine the damages caused to RHS if I breach the terms of this contract; therefore, I agree that a reasonable sum as liquidated damages is \$1,000. The establishment of this amount of liquidated damages will not in any way limit RHS from seeking specific performance for the return of the pet or such other legal remedies to which it may be entitled. If RHS is required to employ an attorney and/or pursue enforcement of this contract by judicial process, I agree to pay all costs and reasonable legal fees incurred by RHS.
- \_\_\_ 11. I affirm that all information in the RHS Adoption/Foster Application is true, complete, and correct and agree that any false or misleading statement thereon will constitute a breach of this contract.
- \_\_\_ 12. Special provisions of this contract, if any, are as follows and are NOT the financial responsibility of RHS unless noted:
  - Mandatory Basic Obedience Training: Register within 2 weeks of this contract with an RHS-recommended trainer, and provide RHS with proof of completion within 3 months.
  - Existing Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**My signature below affirms that I have read and agree to all the above conditions:**

Signature		Date	Adoption Fee _____ ( ) Cash ( ) Check # _____
Driver's License Number	State	Date of Birth	RHS Representative
Spay/Neuter Date _____ Stitches out in _____ days		Heartworm Preventative Due Every Month on _____ Flea/Tick Preventative Due Every Month on _____	
Boosters needed			