



Dog Adoption Contract

Congratulations, you are adopting a Save-A-Mutt rescue dog!

Save-A-Mutt (the "Charity/Rescue/we/us"), a Washington 501(c)3 non-profit corporation, and the undersigned (the "Adopter" or "you"), 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:

1. The Dog: We are placing the following described dog/puppy with you, the Adopter, for the adoption by you as a companion dog and family member:

Rescue Name _____ M___ F___ (Hereinafter ADOPTEE or Dog)

Breed/Mix/Color/Markings _____ Date: _____

2. Adoption Donation: To assist us in continuing our rescue work, Adopter agrees to make a donation of at least \$ _____. This donation is immediately used to pay the ongoing costs of rescuing stray and shelter animals, including food, veterinary care, kenneling costs, transport, etc. Your donation may be tax deductible.

3. Care of the Dog: You agree that this Dog is being adopted as a family member and will be given extensive house privileges; i.e. sleep inside the house, be allowed freedom of the house when the family is home, and will NOT be restricted to the yard for long periods of time. You agree to provide the Dog with fresh water, wholesome dog food, adequate outdoor exercise, affection and shelter. No alteration to the animal's appearance is permitted (i.e. docking of tails or ears, tattooing).

4. Veterinary Care: You agree to keep all vaccinations current including but not limited to Rabies, Distemper/Lepto/Parvo (DHLPP), Bordetella; maintain flea control, AND ensure the Dog receives preventative medication to protect against heartworm if moving to an area where heartworm is prevalent. You agree to provide the best available care to the Dog in a timely manner. Any veterinary problems and costs that may arise, including serious illness requiring emergency care or surgery is your responsibility.

5. Obedience Training: Although not required, it is suggested that your dog receives obedience training at your cost. Training not only makes your dog a better pet, but creates a bond between you and the dog.

6. Behavioral Issues (i.e. biting, destruction, escapism, fearfulness, dominance) that might lead to abandonment of the animal: Adopter agrees to contact Save-A-Mutt to follow the recommendation in resolving any issues as an effort to maintain custody of the adopted animal.