

# DAKOTA RESCUE, INC.

## Spay, Neuter, Rescue & Educate

### ADOPTION CONTRACT

Our goal is to place pets in permanent, loving homes. Please complete this contract and contract so Dakota Rescue can assist you in finding a special, compatible companion to join your family. With this information, Dakota Rescue minimizes the risk of a failed adoption. We do not adopt dogs or cats on a "first come, first served" basis, but rather make every attempt to match families with the most compatible pets. We reserve the right to decline any contract. **The adoption fee for dogs is \$175.00. Pure bred adoption fees are from \$200.00 - \$300.00 depending on breed and age. The adoption fee for cats is \$90.00.** These fees help to defray the costs of spaying/neutering, testing and vaccinating our pets, but rarely cover all expenses.

Please print clearly. (Must be at least 18 years of age to adopt).

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of animal in which you are interested: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed/Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female \_\_\_\_\_

#### Release for Veterinary Reference: (to be completed by potential adopter)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby give permission for any veterinarian providing service to me to release medical information on any/all of my animals to Dakota Rescue.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

My current veterinarian is \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License # \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (include City and Zip Code) \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ What are your hours? \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work or cell phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

How long would the pet be left alone? \_\_\_\_\_ Where would the pet stay? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent? \_\_\_\_\_ House or apartment? \_\_\_\_\_ If renting, how long at this location? \_\_\_\_\_

If renting, does your lease allow pets? \_\_\_\_\_ Breed or weight restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

Pet deposit? \_\_\_\_\_ (We will need confirmation of payment of any required pet deposit.)

Rental manager's name and phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a fenced yard? \_\_\_\_\_ What type of fence and how high? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a pool? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, is the area fenced off? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever given up animal(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, why? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you give permission for a Dakota Rescue representative to do a home visit? \_\_\_\_\_

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. I agree my adoption fee is **NON-REFUNDABLE** even if the pet is returned to Dakota Rescue.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. I agree that I will never sell, trade, or give away this pet to anyone. I will never relinquish this pet to any shelter or pound, whether "no-kill" or otherwise. I will notify Dakota Rescue if I am unable or unwilling to keep this pet, and I will return this pet to Dakota Rescue after arrangements have been made for such return. If this pet is lost or stolen, I will notify Dakota Rescue within 24 hours. I will keep tags on the dog/cat with current information at all times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. I agree that all future medical and health maintenance treatments are my responsibility, unless Dakota Rescue has specifically agreed to pay for them under the "special provisions" at the end of this contract. **I will administer monthly heartworm preventative to the dog year round. If the dog is heartworm positive, I understand that I will take the dog to my Vet for proper heartworm treatment as recommended by my Vet.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4a. My dog will be primarily indoors, interacting with my family, and will not to be banished to the back yard. I will never tie my dog to a chain or rope or leave him/her unattended for long periods.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4b. My cat will be kept indoors at all times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 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 signs of illness) veterinary care if this pet becomes ill or is injured. I understand this is for the lifetime of the pet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. I agree that the pet **SHALL NOT** be physically altered in any manner (docking tails, cropping ears, declawing, etc.).
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. 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 it is picked up by an animal control agency. Rabies and ID tags will be kept on the animal at all times. Cats will only wear a breakaway collar specifically designed for cats.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. I understand that Dakota Rescue does not make any 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 Dakota Rescue 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, immediately release ownership, possession, custody and control of this pet to Dakota Rescue, and if I fail to do so, Dakota Rescue will be entitled to enforce specific performance of this contract in addition to any other legal remedy available to Dakota Rescue.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. I affirm that all information in the Contract is true, complete and correct and agree that any false or misleading statement thereon will constitute a breach of this contract.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Special provisions of this contract, if any, are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

ACCEPTED BY Dakota Rescue	Adoption Fee Received _____ Cash _____ Check _____
Medical Records Delivered:	Heartworm Preventative Due On:
Flea/Tick Preventative Due On:	Microchip Information

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