



ADOPTION CONTRACT

HTAS Card #

Thank you for choosing to adopt an animal from HAPPY TAILS ANIMAL SANCTUARY (HTAS). Your generous support will help us to continue assisting the animals in our care. In order to insure a successful adoption, HAPPY TAILS ANIMAL SANCTUARY requests that you read and fully understand our adoption policies.

Because HAPPY TAILS ANIMAL SANCTUARY is a private, non-profit corporation with limited resources, these policies will be strictly enforced.

Individuals cannot just “buy” an animal. The animal’s welfare is considered during the adoption process. HAPPY TAILS ANIMAL SANCTUARY reserves the right to refuse an animal adoption to a potential adopter for any reason they deem appropriate. No animal may be adopted as a gift.

- 1) All animals are adopted as companion pets. They are not to be used primarily as guard dogs, “mousers”, or hunting dogs. They are to be included as part of the family, treated humanely, and not continuously chained/tied outside. All animals will be provided proper food, fresh clean water, good shelter, and kind treatment at all times.
- 2) Adopter agrees to take their adopted pet to a licensed veterinarian within ten (10) days of the adoption for an examination. Though all HTAS animals have had preliminary care and vaccinations, if the veterinarian certifies that the animal is not adoptable because of severe illness or abnormality, the adopter may return their pet to HTAS for a replacement within fourteen (14) days of the adoption. ALL adoption paperwork must be returned with the animal. If a suitable replacement animal cannot be determined then HTAS will issue a “replacement voucher” that will be honored for 6 months from the date of issue. (Vouchers are not transferable) HTAS will not issue cash refunds for animals that are returned, regardless of the reason for their return. HTAS is not responsible for any veterinarian expenses incurred by the adopter. Follow-up treatment of any kind, additional worming, booster, DHLPP and all other vaccinations are the adopters responsibility and at their expense.
- 3) Adopter agrees to not sell, trade, loan, or give away the animal and will not allow this animal to be used for experimental purposes. If, at any time, the adopter can no longer care for or keep the animal, the adopter agrees to return it to HTAS, but will not be eligible for any refund of fees or expenses.
- 4) Adopter will contact HTAS immediately if the animal becomes lost or stolen, and make every effort to recover their pet.
- 5) Adopter acknowledges that the HTAS makes no claim, representation or warranties as to the size, temperament, health, or mental disposition of any animal available for adoption..
- 6) Adopter agrees to keep a collar and proper identification as to the ownership of the adopted pet on the pet at all times.

7) Adopter acknowledges and agrees that their adopted pet has been sterilized to prevent reproduction.

8) Adopter agrees that, without liability, HTAS may investigate the adopter's home and the conditions under which the animal is being kept, and may take possession of the animal, if in the opinion of HTAS, it is receiving less than adequate care, is being improperly housed or handled, or if any other condition of this contract is being or has been violated. In the event the adopter fails or refuses to return such animal upon demand, the adopter hereby agrees to pay reasonable attorney's fees in the event an attorney is consulted or if suit is brought for the return of the animal. The adopter acknowledges reading and understanding all policies within this contract and accepts this animal as a household pet and companion only, and willfully accepts the terms outlined within this legally binding agreement. The adopter agrees that this animal will not be given as a gift and the adopter is at least eighteen (18) years of age.

I agree to contribute the amount of \$_____ as an adoption donation to Happy Tails Animal Sanctuary (HTAS). I agree that I shall be entitled to retain the animal only so long as I comply with the above terms and conditions of this agreement. I understand that donations are not refundable and will be used to further the good work of Happy Tails Animal Sanctuary. I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless HTAS and its agents, officers and directors for any and all liabilities, damages (property and otherwise) incurred due to my care and control of the above referenced animal. I hereby agree to release HTAS from all liability once the animal is in my possession.

_____/_____/_____
Adopter Date

_____/_____/_____
HTAS Representative Date

For HTAS use only

DOG
Worming _____
DHLPP _____
Bordetella _____
Rabies _____
Heartworm test _____
Spay/Neuter _____
Age _____
Breed _____
Color _____
Sex _____

CAT
FeLuk test _____
Rabies _____
Worming _____
FVRCP _____
Spay/Neuter _____
Age _____
Breed _____
Color _____
Sex _____