



DOG ADOPTION CONTRACT

No handwritten or marginal modification or alteration is allowed and will not be considered as part of this contract.

Name of DOG _____ Adoption fee _____

Date of Adoption _____ Male / Female Spayed / Neutered

Breed/Type _____ Approximate Age _____

DHPPV Vaccinations DeWormed Rabies Heartworm tested and on Preventative

Microchip Microchip # _____ Microchip Co. _____

I _____ regarding the above dog, agree to the following:
(Signature)

(Printed)

(Telephone number)

(Address)

- Adopter has 48 hours to take the dog to a vet and dog can be returned to the rescue and fees returned with veterinarian verification the dog is unhealthy.
- I have been advised of upcoming and annual immunizations that are necessary. I will provide annual veterinary checkups, keep immunizations current, and properly test for heartworm disease and administer heartworm preventative monthly. The dog will be given heartworm preventative tablets every month, all year long. I will have a heartworm test given every year. If there is any break in dispensing heartworm tablets, I must retest for heartworm and restart tablets immediately.
- Spay/neuter is provided and covered with the adoption fee pursuant to Texas Health & Safety Code, Chapter 828.

- I understand that dog food provides a properly balanced diet and agree to feed the dog only a nutritious dog food, or snacks made just for dogs. I will keep fresh water available at all times.
- **THE DOG WILL NEVER BE ALLOWED TO RUN LOOSE.** The dog will be part of the family and be kept primarily in the house (particularly at night). When the dog is outside of the house, it will be kept either on a lead or in a fenced area.
- I will never allow my dog to be around children under 9 years old without the supervision of an adult, or allow anyone to tease, “pick on” the dog, or “rough-house” to a point that could cause the dog become aggressive.
- I will not have the dog attack-trained nor will I use it for any purpose other than companionship. I will not have the dog’s ears cropped nor will I have its tail docked. I will never allow any physical, mental, or emotional abuse of the dog.
- I am adopting the dog for myself and I agree to not give away, sell, or trade my dog, even as a gift to a friend or family member. I will neither take the dog to a shelter nor abandon the dog. I understand that I must notify CHEWY’S HOPE, without delay, if I can no longer care for or keep my dog and agree to give CHEWY’S HOPE reasonable time to rehome my dog or place my dog in an approved foster home, if available. I must notify CHEWY’S HOPE of any behavioral problems that have occurred at any time before I return my dog and I agree to pay for a professional trainer’s evaluation in case of biting or aggression.
- I agree to accept responsibility and ownership of the dog at my own risk and I release CHEWY’S HOPE and its agents from any and all liability arising out of possession and ownership of my dog. I agree that I am assuming total financial responsibility for my pet as of the date of this contract. CHEWY’S HOPE and its agents will not be held responsible for any damages or expenses (veterinary or other) incurred during my ownership of the dog.
- This dog’s known background and medical history have been discussed with me. I understand that CHEWY’S HOPE has made no representation concerning the health, condition, training, behavior, or temperament of the dog.
- Should I ever become incapable of keeping this dog in my care, I will contact CHEWY’S HOPE before I place it elsewhere. I will not place it in a shelter or with someone else unless CHEWY’S HOPE representatives agree. Any breach of this contract could result in the dog being reclaimed by CHEWY’S HOPE volunteers.
- I affirm that no member of my household has been convicted of an animal welfare law violation such as neglect, cruelty, abandonment etc.
- I understand CHEWY’S HOPE is a volunteer organization operating for the benefit of homeless dogs in Texas, and I agree to hold the organization and its volunteers harmless from any all claims.
- CHEWY’S HOPE, its agents, assigns or volunteers will not be held responsible for any damages, actual or consequential, or expenses, direct or indirect (i.e. veterinary services) incurred during my ownership of the dog.
- I agree to permit CHEWY’S HOPE to make inquiry about and enforce any of the above conditions and requirements at any time after adoption. **I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PROVISIONS WILL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF THE DOG TO CHEWY’S HOPE.**
- I understand that by voluntarily signing this agreement, I am entering into a legal and binding contract with A CHEWY’S HOPE. Breach of any term(s) of this agreement is deemed actionable by CHEWY’S HOPE. In the event there is a material breach of this agreement, I agree to pay damages of up to \$500.00 to CHEWY’S HOPE. This agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the state of Texas. Any litigation under this agreement will shall be resolved in the trial courts of Wise County, State of Texas. All remaining provisions of this Contract shall remain in full force and effect. In the event of litigation relating to the subject matter of this Agreement, the non-prevailing party shall reimburse the prevailing party for all reasonable attorney fees and costs resulting therefrom.

APPROVED CHEWY’S HOPE by: