



Brazoria County Humane Society Adoption Contract

1. I agree to pay the adoption fee to BCHS, and understand that it is NON-REFUNDABLE even if the pet is returned to BCHS.
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 BCHS if I am unable or unwilling to keep this pet, and I will return this pet to BCHS after arrangements have been made for such return. If this pet is lost or stolen, I will notify BCHS within 12 hours. I will keep tags on the animal with current information at all times.**
3. I agree that all future medical and health maintenance treatments are my responsibility, unless BCHS has specifically agreed to pay for them under the "special provisions" at the end of this contract. **I will administer monthly heartworm preventative to him/her year round.**
4. My dog will be primarily indoors, interacting with my family, and will not to be banished to the back yard. I will never tether or tie my dog with a chain or rope or leave him/her unattended for long periods.
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, 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.
8. I understand that BCHS cannot and does not make any guarantees regarding the breed, 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 BCHS 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 BCHS, AND IF I FAIL TO DO SO, BCHS WILL BE ENTITLED TO ENFORCE SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER LEGAL REMEDY AVAILABLE TO BCHS.**
10. I understand that the BCHS strongly suggest that you take your new adopted pet to a veterinarian within 72 hours to verify the health of the pet.
11. I affirm that all information in the Application is true, complete and correct and agree that any false or misleading statement thereon will constitute a breach of this contract.

I UNDERSTAND & HAVE AGREED TO THIS CONTRACT