



## FOSTER HOME AGREEMENT

The purpose of a foster home is to allow a rescue dog to live in a home environment while awaiting adoption to a “forever home”. This arrangement allows both the foster family and the rescue organisation to evaluate the dog and to work with the dog to reincorporate him or her back into a home environment. A home environment is so much less stressful on the dog than a boarding facility or shelter. The exposure the pet gets from being treated as "one of the family" (walks, outings, structured meal times, exposure to cats etc...) often supports the smoother integration of the dog into a forever home.

**KAWS** considers our Foster Families to be essential to the welfare and proper placement of our dogs, and wishes the experience to be enjoyable and free from misunderstanding or difficulty. Please note that we have the following guidelines:

- The Foster Family will follow all procedures and guidelines of **KAWS** regarding the foster dog and will not make decisions or take actions regarding the dog’s veterinary care or placement/adoption without prior approval from **KAWS** .
- The veterinarians working with the **KAWS** animals are approved for medical services provided to our rescue animals. Should any major procedure be required, the foster family must contact **KAWS** and ideally, the pre-approved veterinary team will be used for all procedures. For all daily or standard veterinary procedures e.g. vaccinations, the foster family’s local vet can be used. In the event the Foster Family expends funds for **pre-approved** veterinary care, **KAWS** will reimburse the Foster Family.
- The Foster Family will provide the dog with humane and loving care and will maintain the health and wellbeing of the dog in accordance with any relevant municipal laws and ordinances while the dog resides with the Foster Family.
- The Foster Family will provide the pet with necessary exercise and will not keep the pet chained or restrained. **KAWS** rescue dogs should ideally sleep indoors at night. If any deviation from this arrangement is made, the foster family must consult with **KAWS** .
- The Foster Family agrees to provide the dog with adequate food, water, shelter, affection, socialization, exercise, medical assistance, and to strive to increase the social integration and adoptability of the dog.
- If the dog can no longer be kept by the Foster Family, the Foster Family will notify **KAWS** immediately. **NOTE: The dog SHALL NOT BE SOLD, ABANDONED, RELINQUISHED TO A SHELTER OR POUND OR ANY THIRD PARTY.**
- **THE FOSTER FAMILY UNDERSTANDS THAT **KAWS** AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES HAVE LIMITED INFORMATION REGARDING THE TEMPERAMENT OF THE DOG HIS/HER HABITS. THE FOSTER**

**FAMILY WILL TAKE ALL REASONABLE PRECAUTIONS (THROUGH THE USE OF CRATES, LEASHES, SUPERVISION AND COMMON SENSE) TO ENSURE THE DOG DOES NOT RUN LOOSE, BECOME A NUISANCE, DESTROY PROPERTY, INJURE OR BE INJURED BY ANOTHER ANIMAL OR INJURE OR BE INJURED BY ANY PERSON.**

- The pet is and shall remain the “property” and responsibility of **KAWS** and may be removed by **KAWS** from the Foster Family at any time – however, wherever do-able, **KAWS** would naturally communicate any changes with the Foster Family.
- The Foster Family agrees to be courteous, helpful and honest to potential adopters and to fully cooperate in accommodating those who wish to see/meet the dog.
- In the event the Foster Family wishes to permanently adopt the dog, a **KAWS** Adoption Application Form and Contract must be completed and submitted to **KAWS** .

**BY SUBMITTING A FOSTER HOME APPLICATION YOU HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED YOUR AGREEMENT TO THE FOREGOING TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Home check done by: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog fostered: \_\_\_\_\_

Animal Sterilized: YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

Vet card: Foster Home \_\_\_\_\_ AWS \_\_\_\_\_

Next Vaccination due: \_\_\_\_\_

Microchipped: YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

**THANK YOU for taking a rescue dog into your home and blessing their lives with love and shelter.**