



# Animal Guardians of America

Box 169 - 7000 Independence Pkwy, Suite 160 - Plano, TX 75025

## ADOPTION CONTRACT

This is a contract between Animal Guardians of America (AGA) and \_\_\_\_\_(adopter), who is fully identified below. The adopter wishes to adopt from Animal Guardians of America the animal identified below. In consideration for the adoption fee, the adopter gives AGA the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_. AGA agrees to transfer guardianship of the animal to the adopter, subject to the terms and conditions below, which the adopter by his/her signature below acknowledges that he/she has read and understands, specifically:

1. Under no circumstances will the animal be abandoned, sold, or given away for experimentation or guarding purposes. I will notify AGA if the animal is lost, dies or if I move.
2. I agree to have the animal examined by a veterinarian within 5 days of guardianship, for my protection. I agree to obtain necessary treatment for the animal, as recommended by the veterinarian, at my expense. I agree to return the animal to AGA if he/she is unable or unwilling to pay for the expense of treatment.
3. I agree to take the animal to a veterinarian for routine examination and immunization as recommended, including annual rabies vaccinations, and to provide immediate veterinary care for the animal in the event the animal becomes ill or is injured. If the adopted animal is a dog, **the adopter agrees to give him or her heartworm preventative medication monthly.** This animal will not have any cosmetic surgery such as tail or ear docking.
4. I agree to provide the animal with proper food, fresh water, warm shelter and kind treatment at all times.
5. If the adopted animal is a dog, he or she will live indoors (unless otherwise noted on contract). I agree to exercise the dog by allowing the dog to run within a fenced area or on a leash. If the adopted animal is a cat, I agree to not allow the cat outdoors.
6. I agree to comply with all state and local laws pertaining to guardianship of the animal including those laws requiring licensing of the animal. I agree to redeem the animal promptly if the animal is recovered by an animal control agency. **I will keep a buckle collar with an identification tag on the animal at all times. I agree to purchase a nametag with phone number for this animal.** \_\_\_\_\_ (adopter's initials)
7. **I agree to return the animal to AGA in the event that I am unable and/or unwilling to care for the animal, unless prior approval for transfer of guardianship is obtained from AGA. I understand that the adoption fee is considered a non-refundable contribution to the organization.**
8. I understand the responsibility, safety and risks of guardianship and agree to care for this animal for the remainder of its life. I agree that AGA has made no guarantees or representations concerning the health, nature or personality of this animal. I understand it has been examined and is believed to be in good health, however no guarantees can be made.
9. I understand that a person representing AGA may visit my home without giving advance notice. If at any time AGA determines that the terms and conditions have not been met, or that the animal is not receiving proper and humane care, AGA may take custody of the animal.

I understand and agree that any breach of paragraphs 1-9 constitutes grounds for AGA to rescind this contract, in which case guardianship of the animal will revert to AGA. I agree to pay the court costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred by AGA in enforcing this contract. I agree to assume all risk and responsibility of guardianship of the animal once the animal is in my possession. I agree to defend and indemnify AGA against any and all claims for damages, including claims of property damage or personal injury allegedly caused by the animal arising out of the my adoption and guardianship of the animal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Adopter

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Ph: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Ph: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ DL # \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Animal: \_\_\_\_\_ Species: \_\_\_ Dog \_\_\_ Cat

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ AGA Tag Number: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ or Cash \_\_\_

AGA representative responsible for this adoption: \_\_\_\_\_

Stitches must come out by: \_\_\_\_\_ Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_