

# Operation Paws for Homes

## Pet Adoption Agreement

**Dog/Cat** (circle) Pet Name \_\_\_\_\_ Pet ID # \_\_\_\_\_, referred to as 'pet' in this adoption agreement. This adoption agreement is being entered into on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.

Adopter Name/s \_\_\_\_\_, referred to as 'adopter/s' in this agreement

**The following terms and conditions of this adoption agreement intend to outline the expectations for the standard of care to be provided by Adopter/s when ownership of the pet identified above is transferred from Operation Paws for Homes, LLC (referred to as 'OPH') to the Adopter/s.**

**By entering into this adoption agreement, OPH understands and agrees to the following:**

- To transfer ownership of the pet to adopter according to the terms of this agreement.
- Support the adopter in acclimating the dog to its new home by responding to questions and providing helpful information via phone or email by the adopter.
- To make every effort to welcome the adopter and pet back to OPH in the event that the adopter can no longer accommodate the pet for any reason.
- To make reasonable effort to provide the adopter with a healthy pet with the acknowledgement that the stress of changing environments can lower a pet's immunity to fight disease, and the pet could harbor an infection without displaying symptoms. OPH cannot guarantee the health of any pet.
- To refund fifty (50) percent of the adoption donation provided the adopter personally requests to return the pet to OPH within seven (7) days of the adoption (extendable with permission from OPH Lead Adoption Coordinator when requested prior to the end of the 7 days at [adopt@ophrescue.org](mailto:adopt@ophrescue.org)). To be eligible for a refund, the living pet must be returned with all records and the adoption folder.
  - Adopter/s please be aware that refunds can take up to four (4) weeks to process.
  - Adopter/s please be aware that OPH is foster home based, meaning that we do not have a facility to house our pets. We will make reasonable efforts to find a foster home as quickly as possible for the pet. This process may take up to 14 days to find placement. Foster homes are located in VA, MD, DC, and PA. OPH cannot predict which foster home will be available to take your pet.
  - Adopters are requested to transport the returning pet to the OPH foster that is available.

**As the Adopter/s of the Pet named above in this agreement, I/We agree to the following:**

- Adopter/s are 18 years of age or older.
- Adopter/s have never been convicted of animal cruelty or abuse.
- Adopter/s will take the pet to a veterinarian within 14 days of adoption for a general physical examination and any necessary vaccinations, deworming, medications, preventatives, or medical treatment, at my own expense.

- Adopter/s may return the pet for an exchange or adoption refund within 14 days for a previously undiagnosed medical condition, verified by a licensed veterinarian. **OPH does not reimburse for unauthorized medical bills.** Adopter/s should contact OPH immediately for any non-life threatening medical conditions.
- Adopter/s will supervise children when interacting with pet and encourage safe and respectful encounters.
- Adopter/s will provide a humane environment inside the home, regular exercise, and companionship for pet.
- Adopter/s will have the pet inoculated against rabies and abide by their local and state pet control laws.
- Adopter/s understand and agree that **OPH makes no express or implied warranty, representation or promise to the age, health, breed, habits, disposition, or safety of the pet.** Adopter/s hereby accept the pet as is, assumes all risks and responsibilities associated with the ownership of the pet, including bites.
- Adopter/s will not transport pet in the back of an open vehicle such as a truck bed.
- Adopter/s hereby fully and completely release, indemnify, and hold harmless OPH, its directors, officers, volunteers, associates, and employees from any claim, cause of action, or liability of any sort or nature, whether known or unknown, directly or indirectly arising out of or in connection with the adoption, return, care or ownership, maintenance, temperament, or condition of the pet listed above.
- Adopter/s accept ownership of the pet listed above in accordance with the terms of this agreement that are outlined herein for the adopter/s review and consent.

**I/We acknowledge that I/we have read and fully understand the terms and conditions of this adoption agreement. In addition, I/we agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the adoption agreement.**

Adopter Signature: _____	Date: _____	Adopter Signature: _____	Date: _____
Printed Name _____		Printed Name _____	

OPH Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

OPH Adoption Fee \$	
Donation (tax-deductible) \$	
Total \$	
Cash, check or online payment	