

2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue

A Family Member 4 Life

Dear Adopter,

Thank you so much for opening your heart and home to a rescue dog! I hope that you will find he or she to be as wonderful as we think they are :)

If you have any concerns Please pickup the phone and call us immediately! Do not wait days, weeks or even months until the problem has escalated to get in touch with us. We have a behaviorist to work on issues and I am always available to speak with you about any concerns you may have. Your foster also is only a phone call away and will know the dog better than anyone so please do not hesitate to call us.

All of our dogs are micro chipped. Their chip stays in our name for the life of the dog. This is how we keep track of them and if they are lost multiple times, which we hope will not be the case, it helps us to document the problem. It is therefore important that you stay in contact with us if you have a change of address or phone number. If you registered on our site you can go in and make changes to your contact information anytime. If your dog is lost call us immediately so we are alerted and can help in the recovery process.

I look forward to meeting you at our yearly reunion. This is always a special event for fosters as they get to see their foster dogs. It helps us to regenerate and remember why we do what we do when we see them with their forever families, happy & healthy.

Best wishes with your new furry friend!

Lynn M. Leach,

Director of 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue

717-575-8704

2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue

501(c)3 Non Profit—Tax ID# 32-0320314

PO Box 549, Elizabethtown, PA 17022

www.2ndChance4LifeRescue.org

*“Ten Commandments for a Responsible
Pet Owner”*



As dictated by the pet

1. My life is likely to last 10-15 years. Any separation from you is likely to be painful
2. Give me time to understand what you want of me
3. Place your trust in me. It is crucial for my well-being
4. Don't be angry with me for long and don't lock me up as punishment. You have your work, your friends, your entertainments, but I have only YOU!
5. Talk to me. Even if I don't understand your words. I do understand your voice and feelings when speaking to me.
6. Be aware that however you treat me, I will never forget it.
7. Before you hit me, before you strike me, remember that I have teeth that could easily crush the bones in your hand, and yet I choose not to bite you. You lose your temper. Is it fair to expect me never to lose mine?
8. Before you scold me for being lazy or uncooperative, ask yourself if something might be bothering me. Perhaps I'm not getting the right food, I have been in the sun too long or my heart might be getting old or weak.
9. Please take care of me when I grow old. You too will grow old.
10. On the ultimate difficult journey, go with me PLEASE. Never say you can't bear to watch. Don't make me face this alone. Everything is easier for me if you are there, because I love you so!!

Take a moment today to thank God for your pets. Enjoy and take good care of them. Life would be a much duller, less joyful thing without God's Angels!

Journey

I came from _____

My Story _____

I like to eat _____

I eat at these times & this amount of food _____

My potty schedule is _____

Signs that I have to go _____

I prefer to sleep _____

I know these tricks _____

I love _____

I am scared of _____

Things my foster thinks you should know _____

My foster is _____

Call her anytime or email her at _____

Please do not forget to send emails and keep in touch! My foster gave her love and time to save me and it would not be

fair to make her wonder how I am :/

4-13-2018



ADOPTER HAS RECEIVED COPIES OF:

Contract

Medical Records

Rabies Certificate

This Adoption Contract (the "Agreement") made and entered into on this date: _____
 by 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue (**hereinafter RESCUE**) and _____
 (**hereinafter ADOPTER**) regarding the adoption of

NAME: _____ (hereinafter **ADOPTEE**).
BREED: _____ **GENDER:** _____ **ID TAG #** _____

Whereas **ADOPTER** has expressed an interest in adopting **ADOPTEE**; and whereas **RESCUE** has agreed to enter into this binding contract with **ADOPTER** and whereas **RESCUE** and **ADOPTER** desire to have their rights, obligations and duties specified herein. Now therefore, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises contained herein, the Parties, each intending to be legally bound, freely enter into this Agreement as follows:

_____ 1. **PURPOSE.** The **ADOPTER** hereby adopts and the **RESCUER** hereby places the **ADOPTEE** into **ADOPTER'S** care as a companion dog and family member for the purpose of providing a permanent loving home for the **ADOPTEE** and to further the work of **RESCUER** in reducing canine overpopulation and improve the unnecessary suffering and destruction of unwanted companion animals.

_____ 2. **CONSIDERATION.** **ADOPTER** agrees to give a donation \$ _____ to **RESCUE** to help offset some of the costs that **RESCUE** incurs in the rescue and care of unwanted companion animals. **ADOPTER** understands that their donation is a contribution freely given. Donations are not refundable. **ADOPTER** agrees to abide by all the covenants of this agreement in order to assure **RESCUE** that the **ADOPTEE**, as a unique form of property, having both awareness and feelings, will be properly cared for, cherished and provided for by **ADOPTER** in order to ensure **ADOPTEE'S** continued and future happiness and wellbeing.

Paid with CASH **or CHECK** **with check #** _____.

3. CARE OF ADOPTEE

_____ A. **STATUS OF ADOPTEE.** ADOPTEE is being adopted as a family member and will be given extensive house privileges. i.e. Sleep inside the house, be allowed freedom of the house when the family is home, and will NOT be restricted to the yard at ANY time. ADOPTER agrees that ADOPTEE will not be used as a guard animal or as a toy for children, or for any purpose other than as a companion and family member.

_____ B. **SAFE ENVIRONMENT.** **ADOPTEE** will be provided with proper food, shelter, and fresh water at all times, with ample room for outdoor exercise. **ADOPTER** will not leave **ADOPTEE** on a tie out outside of **ADOPTER'S** immediate and constant supervision and **will not utilize underground fencing** with **ADOPTEE**. 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue will reclaim **ADOPTEE** on the spot simply by coming to the property with the Director if it is found that the **ADOPTER** has violated this clause. No legal document other than this contract shall be necessary.

NAME OF ADOPTEE: _____

ADOPTER'S INITIALS & DATE: _____

_____ C. **VETERINARY CARE.** **ADOPTEE** will be examined by **ADOPTER’S** veterinarian within seven days after adoption and will be provided with medical treatment as needed. **ADOPTER** agrees that any veterinary problems that may arise, including serious illnesses requiring emergency care or surgery are the **ADOPTER’S** responsibility and that **ADOPTER** will bear all related costs and will provide the best available care to **ADOPTEE** in a timely manner. **ADOPTER** will email or send documentation of veterinarian visit within 14 days of adoption. **ADOPTER** will take **ADOPTEE** to a **Veterinary Care Provider** for regular medical examination, dental examinations, and immunizations at least annually throughout the life of **ADOPTEE** and will provide immediate veterinary care should **ADOPTEE** become ill, injured or behaviorally challenged.

_____ 3. **IDENTIFICATION.** **ADOPTEE** will wear a collar at all times, with a 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue ID tag AND a personalized identification tag including the name, address, and phone number of **ADOPTER** attached to the collar. **ADOPTER** will notify **RESCUE** of any name change to **ADOPTEE** within 5 business days.

_____ 4. **LEASH AND COLLAR.** **ADOPTEE** will be kept on leash when on public streets or in parks or any unfenced areas. **ADOPTER** will control **ADOPTEE** in compliance with state and local leash & licensing laws. **ADOPTEE** will be walked using a slip collar or harness and will **NOT** be walked at any time with a leash attached to **ADOPTEE’S** identification collar. **ADOPTER** understands that the identification collar is not a secure restraint and that if **ADOPTEE** manages to slip out of the collar; **ADOPTEE** will be loose without identification.

_____ 5. **NO RIGHT TO TRANSFER/EUTHENIZE ADOPTEE.** **ADOPTER** will NOT transfer possession or ownership of **ADOPTEE** (by gift, sale, or any other means) to another person or entity, including any company, organization medical research facility, pound or animal shelter, or any other entity. If at any time in the future **ADOPTER** cannot continue to provide proper care or environment for **ADOPTEE** for any reason, or otherwise decides that **ADOPTER** no longer wishes to maintain possession or ownership of **ADOPTEE**, **ADOPTER** will notify **RESCUE** immediately and will do one or more of the following:

- * Obtain approval from **RESCUE** to transfer the ownership of **ADOPTEE** to a friend or relative. **RESCUE** must approve the new **ADOPTER** and the new **ADOPTER** will be required to execute a “Dog Adoption Agreement” with **RESCUE**; or
- * Continue to board **ADOPTEE** under all terms of this Agreement for an agreed upon time, allowing **RESCUE** to actively seek a new home, and then relinquish **ADOPTEE** to **RESCUE** when a home is found; or
- * Return **ADOPTEE** to **RESCUE**.

_____ 6. **ADOPTER** will **NOT** euthanize **ADOPTEE**, and will **NOT ALLOW** adoptee to be euthanized, except in the case of terminal illness or injury, or old age accompanied by pain and suffering and in that case, the euthanasia must be performed by a licensed veterinarian in a private animal clinic or hospital **and 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue will be notified prior to the procedure**. It is understood that if the **ADOPTEE** has become aggressive after living in the **ADOPTER’S** care the **RESCUE** will have the right to refuse to accept the return of the **ADOPTEE** and require training or a physician’s suggestion concerning the future of the **ADOPTEE**.

_____ 7. **CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION.** **ADOPTER** will notify **RESCUE** of all changes of address and/or telephone within 30 days after the change.

NAME OF ADOPTEE: _____

ADOPTER’S INITIALS & DATE: _____

_____ 8. **NO OBLIGATION TO RETURN.** **ADOPTER** understands that if **ADOPTEE** is lost and is recovered by **RESCUE**, **RESCUE** has no obligation to return **ADOPTEE** to **ADOPTER** until it has completed a review of the circumstances involved in **ADOPTEE'S** loss. **ADOPTER** further understands that if the loss was the result of the negligence or failure to comply with the covenants of this Agreement, **RESCUE** reserves the right not to return **ADOPTEE** and to place **ADOPTEE** into a new home.

_____ 9. **ESTATE PROVISION.** **ADOPTER** agrees to provide for care of **ADOPTEE** in their Will or estate. A copy of this **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue Adoption Agreement** should be kept with your Will or estate records.

_____ 10. **NOTICE OF LOSS OR DEATH.** **ADOPTER** will immediately notify **RESCUE** and local shelters immediately if **ADOPTEE** is lost or cannot be located and will follow **RESCUE'S** instructions as to how best to recover **ADOPTEE**. **ADOPTER** will also notify **RESCUE** if **ADOPTEE** is deceased.

_____ 11. **FOLLOW UP VISITS.** **ADOPTER** understands and agrees that **RESCUE** is fully entitled to make follow up visits or phone calls to ascertain that all of the covenants of this agreement are being satisfied. **ADOPTER** is obligated to cooperate with **RESCUE** in setting and keeping appointments.

_____ 12. **RIGHT TO RECLAIM.** **ADOPTER** understands and agrees that **RESCUE** reserves the right to reclaim **ADOPTEE** if any of the above conditions are not met to the satisfaction of **RESCUE**.

_____ 13. **NO WARRANTY.** **RESCUE** makes no warranty as to the temperament, breed, age, or physical condition of **ADOPTEE**. **ADOPTEE** is being adopted "as is".

_____ 14. **SPECIAL DISCLAIMER.** All warranties with regard to **ADOPTEE**, including any implied warranty of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, where they are applicable, are hereby specifically disclaimed.

**2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue
Elizabethtown, PA 17022**

_____ 15. **RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION.** **ADOPTER** hereby releases **RESCUE** from any and all liability for personal injury, property damage, legal fees, or veterinary care, or any other expense or liability incurred by **ADOPTER** as a result of this adoption.

_____ 16. **SEVERABILITY.** In the event any provisions or covenants (or any portion thereof) of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provisions hereof.

_____ 17. **GOVERING LAW.** Any and all questions with respect to the construction of this agreement and the right and liability of **RESCUE** and **ADOPTER** shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of PA in effect as of the date hereof, regardless of the current or future state or county of residence of **ADOPTER**.

_____ 18. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement sets forth the entire agreement and understanding between **RESCUE** and **ADOPTER**. No modifications of or amendment to neither this Agreement nor any waiver of any right under this Agreement will be effective unless in writing signed by the director or officer of **RESCUE** and **ADOPTER**. Any subsequent modifications or changes will not affect the validity or scope of this agreement.

NAME OF ADOPTEE: _____

ADOPTER'S INITIALS & DATE: _____

Special Need Adoptee

Additional Comments/Clauses/Requirements for Adoption

NAME OF ADOPTEE: _____

ADOPTER'S INITIALS & DATE: _____

Foster Contract with Intent to



Adopt – PUPPY CONTRACT

_____ It is understood by both 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue and _____, hereafter referred to as foster/adopter that _____, puppy, is **owned by 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue and the foster/adopter has no legal rights to puppy until such time as the puppy has been altered.** 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue can and will remove puppy from foster/adopter’s possession if they find Foster/Adopter to not be in compliance with 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue Adoption Contract guidelines. This contract becomes a part of 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue Adoption Contract, which is signed in completion now.

_____ The Foster Contract with Intent to Adopt will become null and void upon completion of alteration. Foster/Adopter takes on all responsibility for puppy and medical expense except for the altering which will be done by Palmyra Animal Clinic, 920 East Main Street, Palmyra or Foster/ Adopter can opt to use their **own veterinarian at their expense**, (puppy) must be altered by _____.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: _____

_____ Foster/Adopter must contact the Rescue Director to make arrangements for altering. When the altering has been done the Foster/Adopter contract will become void and the Adoption Contract which foster/adopter has read and agreed to and signed at the time of this Foster/Adopter Contract signing, will then take effect and the Foster/Adopter will become the owner of above mentioned.

FOSTER/AADOPTER (printed): _____

SIGNATURE: _____

2ND CHANCE REPRESENTATIVE (printed): _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DONATION AMOUNT: _____

NAME OF ADOPTEE: _____

AADOPTER’S INITIALS & DATE: _____

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VETERINARY ADDENDUM (page 1)



Adoptee Name: _____ IDTag # _____ Microchip # _____

Veterinary Provider: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Adopter Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

The Adopter, current and future Veterinary Care Providers agree to and understand the following:

- All current and future **Veterinary Care Providers** shall agree to the terms of this addendum and to release of any and all information to **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** during and after the life of **Adoptee**. All current and future **Veterinary Care Providers** agree to transfer this addendum as part of **Adoptee's** veterinary record to any and all additional and subsequent **Veterinary Care Providers**.
- **Adopter** agrees to notify **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** within 10 days subsequent to any change of address and/or change of **Veterinary Care Provider**. In the event of a **Veterinary Care Provider** change, the **care provider** and **Adopter** will facilitate the transfer of all veterinary records to subsequent **Veterinary Care Providers**.
- **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** reserves the right to check on the **Adoptee's** condition and medical status by contacting current and/or past **Veterinary Care Providers**, and by requesting veterinary records from **Adopter** and **Veterinary Care Provider** to monitor compliance with the terms of this contract during and after the life of **Adoptee**. **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** and its agents reserve the right to request home visits for the life of the **Adoptee** from **Adopter**. **Adopter** will allow any agent of **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** to inspect **Adoptee** and its living environment and to take photographs and/or videotapes of **Adoptee** in its living environment. **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** reserves the right as stated in the adoption contract to remove **Adoptee** if **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** and/or said agent, in his or her sole discretion, is not satisfied with the conditions under which the **Adoptee** is being kept or cared for, or believes that the conditions of the agreement are being violated. **Adopter** agrees to waive all claims for trespass or damage incurred in the course of any action or claims on the behalf of **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue**.
- **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** must be informed of a change in **Adoptee's** health that could warrant euthanasia so that **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue** has the opportunity to take **Adoptee** back if it so chooses.

NAME OF ADOPTEE: _____

ADOPTER'S INITIALS & DATE: _____

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VETERINARY ADDENDUM (page 2)



As the **Adopter**, I have read this addendum, and fully understand it, and agree to comply with the terms above. I agree to the release of **Adoptee's** veterinary care records throughout the life and after death of **Adoptee** to **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue**. I agree that copies of this addendum will serve as binding.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Adopter will sign this addendum upon adoption and in the presence of a 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue agent.

As an agent of **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue**, I have ensured **Adopter's** understanding of this addendum and witnessed the above **Adopter's signature**.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

As the **Veterinary Care Provider** I have read the addendum, and fully understand it, and agree to comply with the terms above. I agree to release of **Adoptee's** veterinary care records throughout the life and after death of **Adoptee** to **2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue**. I agree that copies of this addendum will serve as binding.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Veterinary Care Provider will sign this addendum upon receipt and return (Veterinary Addendum Pages 1&2) to: 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue fax: 1-888-602-5891.

REMINDER: "Well Check" records/confirmation should be faxed by the veterinary office to 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue: 1-888-602-5891.

NAME OF ADOPTEE: _____

ADOPTER'S INITIALS & DATE: _____

ADOPTER

SECONDARY ADOPTER

(Spouse, significant other, etc.)

Signature

Signature

Print Name

Print Name

Driver's License Number

Driver's License Number

Street Address

Street Address

City, State and Zip Code

City, State and Zip Code

Email Address

Email Address

Home Phone/Work/Cell Phone

Home Phone/Work/Cell Phone

How did you find your rescue dog? _____

Signature of Representative

Print Name

RESCUE (2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue) REPRESENTATIVE

Micro Chip # _____

2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue/Lynn Yates MUST be named as 1st Contact when registering the

FOSTER: PLEASE check boxes on first page of what was given so secretary knows if anything needs to be sent to Adopter and mail signed contract and check to 2nd Chance 4 Life Rescue, PO Box 549, Elizabethtown, PA 17022

ADOPTER: Vet Well Check should be faxed by vet to 1-888-602-5891