



QUINCY ANIMAL SHELTER
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FOSTER CARE AGREEMENT

As a Foster Care Volunteer, I acknowledge receipt from Quincy Animal Shelter ("QAS") of the animal(s) described below (the "Foster Animal(s)") into my temporary foster care.

Animal(s) Received:

<u>AC # & Name(s)</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Breed/Sex/Age</u>
<u>Reason for Foster Placement/Special Instructions</u>		

I agree to abide by the terms and conditions below with respect to this foster placement.

- QAS to Provide.** QAS will provide, at no charge to me, food and other supplies and any necessary medical care and any necessary socialization or training instructions for the Foster Animal(s).
- Foster Care Volunteer To Provide.** I will provide the Foster Animal(s) with responsible care, including, food, water, shelter, and when instructed by QAS, medication and/or training or socialization. I agree at all times to follow the instructions from QAS with respect to the treatment and proper handling of the animal.
- Medical or Age Related Placements.** If the Foster Animal has been placed with me for medical reasons or due to the Foster Animal being of a young or old age, I understand that the Foster Animal's care may require daily medication or medical care, periodic veterinary visits and physical assessments at QAS. I agree to abide by the instructions of QAS and the QAS Medical Manager with respect to the Foster Animal's care, to provide careful supervision of the Foster Animal's condition, to report any medical concerns to the QAS Medical Manager immediately, and to cooperate with QAS and the QAS Medical Manager with respect to making arrangements for bringing the Foster Animal(s) to the shelter when requested. In the event of a medical emergency, I will immediately contact the QAS Medical Manager and follow the instructions provided.

4. **Training and Socialization.** If the Foster Animal has been placed with me for socialization, training or other behavioral reasons, I acknowledge that (i) I have been advised by QAS of the Foster Animals behavioral or training needs, (ii) I am willingly accepting the Foster Animal with knowledge of its behavioral or training needs and I represent that I have the ability to manage the Foster Animal. I understand and accept the risks that these behavioral or training needs may present, and I agree to follow the training or behavioral/socialization instructions provided by QAS. I will maintain control over the Foster Animal at all times while in my care. I agree to make every effort to attend training programs with respect to the Foster Animal if deemed necessary by the QAS Trainers and to bring the Foster Animal to QAS for periodic assessments upon request.

5. **Inspection.** I agree that QAS has the right to inspect my home upon reasonable notice, for the sole purpose of determining the on-going suitability of the premises for the care and maintenance of the Foster Animal(s).

6. **Progress Reports.** I agree to give regular progress reports to QAS with respect to the Foster Animal.

7. **Foster Animal To Remain QAS Property.** I understand that the Foster Animals(s) will remain the sole property of QAS and I acknowledge that I do not have any right or authority to keep the Foster Animal(s) or to place the Foster Animal(s) with any other individuals unless QAS gives me permission to do so in writing. I agree to return the Foster Animal(s) to QAS upon request.

8. **Termination by Foster Care Volunteer.** I understand that I may at any time decide to terminate a foster care placement with respect to a particular Foster Animal by notifying QAS of that decision. I agree to work together with QAS to make arrangements for the prompt return of the Foster Animal to QAS if I terminate this agreement. I understand I can decline to accept any foster placements.

9. **Release/Indemnification.** If accepted as a Foster Care Volunteer, I agree to follow the conditions of any foster placements. I also agree that QAS, its officers, directors, and volunteers are not responsible for, and I release them from liability for, any losses, injuries, or damages that I may incur by participating in the Foster Care Program. I agree to indemnify QAS, its officers, directors and volunteers for any damages and expenses they may incur in defending any claim by a third party as a result of my actions or inactions as a Foster Care Volunteer or of a foster animal while in my care.

This agreement represents the entire understanding between the parties and any modifications must be made in writing and signed by both parties.

ALL FOSTER PLACEMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF QAS AND ARE AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF QAS AND MAY BE TERMINATED AT ANY TIME BY QAS. I AGREE TO RELINQUISH CUSTODY OF THE FOSTER ANIMAL TO A QAS REPRESENTATIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON REQUEST AND AUTHORIZE QAS TO ENTER ONTO MY PREMISES FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECLAIMING THE FOSTER ANIMAL.

Foster Caregiver

Signed: _____

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Accepted by:

Quincy Animal Shelter, Inc.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Foster Care Coordinator