

For the Love of Dog
Rottweiler Rescue of New Hampshire
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Contract for Adoption of a Dog

This agreement is made this ____ day of _____, 20___, by and between For the Love of Dog – Rottweiler Rescue of New Hampshire and _____ and _____ hereinafter referred to as the "Adopter(s)."

The adopter(s) hereby, understands, promises and agrees that in receipt of this pet to forever release, discharge and covenant to hold harmless For the Love of Dog – Rottweiler Rescue of New Hampshire (hereinafter called "Rottweiler Rescue") and by other person, firm or organization charged and chargeable with responsibility or liability, their heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns, from any and all claims, damages, and costs, expenses, loss of services, actions and causes of action belonging to the said adopters, arising out of any act or occurrence from the present time and particularity on account of the adoption of:

NAME: _____ Dog#: _____ Gender: _____

BREED: _____ MICROCHIP#: _____

AGE/DOB : _____ COLOR: _____

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS: _____

(Hereinafter referred to as the "dog".)

All parties agree to hold For the Love of Dog – Rottweiler Rescue of New Hampshire, its officers, directors and volunteers harmless from any and all situations and liabilities that arise from adoption of this dog. For the Love of Dog makes no representations or testimonies as to the quality of health and/or temperament of this dog. All parties agree that this dog is transferred "As Is".

All parties further agree to the following:

I agree that this dog will reside in my home as a "family member" and will have access to a securely fenced yard or will be leash walked at all times. I agree that this dog will not exclusively be left alone in a backyard or kennel and will never be chained or tied out. I agree that this dog will not be allowed "off leash" in ANY unconfined area. I agree that this dog will never be left in a crate in excess of nine [9] total hours per day. I agree to enroll in and complete an obedience course using positive reinforcement training and provide proof of completion to For the Love of Dog by _____. *Under no circumstance is electronic training permissible.* (initials) _____

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I understand that I am committing to this dog for the entirety of its natural life, which could be another ten years. I understand that if, at any time, I am unable to keep this dog for any reason and it becomes necessary to relinquish or otherwise place this animal, Rottweiler Rescue retains FULL AND NONNEGOTIABLE RIGHTS OF FIRST REFUSAL. I agree that I am personally responsible for physically returning this dog to Rottweiler Rescue in Hillsboro, NH. I understand that any donation given by the undersigned is a wholly voluntary gift and is in no sense to be regarded as a return for value received. *Donations are not refundable.*
(initials) _____

I agree to provide licensed veterinary care within two weeks following the placement. I agree to maintain preventative health care of this dog including, but not limited to: annual general physical examination, vaccinations or titres every three years or as recommended by the veterinarian, monthly heartworm preventative medication *given continuously throughout the year* and control of internal as well as external parasites. I agree that this dog will receive immediate medical treatment by a licensed veterinarian when it becomes ill or injured. All existing medical records have been transferred to new adopters with the dog.
(initials) _____

I agree to maintain the general health care of this dog in regards to wholesome food, clean, fresh water and sufficient exercise in consideration of the size and age of the dog. Foods **NOT** to be fed include highly commercialized [supermarket] brands with soy products [implicated in gastric torsion] and artificial preservatives such as BHT, BHA and ethoxyquin [implicated in several types of cancers]. (initials) _____

Overfeeding a dog or allowing the dog to become overweight is unhealthy for the dog in many ways and can be considered animal abuse. At the time of adoption, this dog weighed ____lb. Our veterinarian agrees that a healthy adult weight for this dog should be ____lb. I agree to maintain this dog's weight at the recommended weight. This dog is currently eating ____ measuring cups of food per day. (initials) _____

I agree that if this dog becomes lost, every reasonable effort will be made to recover the dog, including but not limited to, notifying the Microchip company, advertising at my expense in local newspapers, visiting the local animal shelters and paying all recovery fees if the animal is seized by animal control officers. I agree that I will notify Rottweiler Rescue within **24 hours** if the animal is missing. (initials) _____

I agree that this dog will wear an identification name tag which includes my phone number at all times. I agree that this dog and will never be transported, secured or unsecured, in the open bed of a pickup truck. (initials) _____

I understand and agree that Rottweiler Rescue has the right to know the whereabouts of this dog for the duration of its life and therefore agree to provide Rottweiler Rescue with my new telephone number and/or address within 14 days of any changes. (initials)

I will allow Rottweiler Rescue to inspect the animal and premises at any time. If, in the opinion of Rottweiler Rescue, the animal is being improperly cared for, I understand and agree that Rottweiler Rescue will take immediate possession of the animal at no expense to Rottweiler Rescue. I agree to immediately surrender the animal peaceably and voluntarily and will thereafter surrender all claims of any kind or nature to said pet or against Rottweiler Rescue. (initials) _____

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I understand that Rottweiler Rescue does not make any guarantee or warranty as to the health or temperament of this dog and is not responsible for any medical expenses which may be incurred in respect to this dog. I agree that this dog has been received without any warranties or guarantees, express or implied, about the dog's condition, behavior, or prior ownership. Therefore, I hereby release and discharge For the Love of Dog – Rottweiler Rescue of New Hampshire, Inc. forever from liability for any injury or damages to any person, animal or property caused in the future by said animal and from any causes of action, claims, suits or demands whatsoever that may arise as a result of such injury or damages. (initials) _____

I agree to pay For the Love of Dog – Rottweiler Rescue of New Hampshire, Inc., the sum of \$500.00 as liquidated damages in the event that the terms of this contract are breached; this liquidated damage value is agreed to for the purpose of establishing value of the animal and does not bar Rottweiler Rescue from seeking return of the animal by a judicial process or other legal means. (initials) _____

I agree fully to the terms of this contract. I understand that this contract is under the jurisdiction of the State of New Hampshire, in the County of Hillsborough, which shall be the place of venue for purposes of enforcement of the terms of this contract. Should Rottweiler Rescue need to seek legal action against me for any violations of this contract, I agree to assume any and all attorney costs and court fees. I acknowledge that all statements contained in this placement contract completed by me are true and accurate. (initials)

Additional Provisions: (initials) _____

Signed Guardian 1 _____ Date: _____

Signed Guardian 2 _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Witness: _____

Director: _____ Date _____

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