**True & Faithful Pet Rescue Mission (T&F)**

**Foster Home Guidelines, Responsibilities, & Release of Liability**

**Please read & initial where blank appears.**

\_\_\_**I AGREE** to care and love ANY foster dog given to me by T&F as if it were my own.

\_\_\_**I AGREE** to provide the dog with exercise, basic obedience training and house training.

\_\_\_**I AGREE** to bring the dog to T&F adoption events and pick the dog up at the end of the event if the dog was not adopted.

**SPAY/NEUTER & VACCINATIONS**

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that all dogs placed in foster care need to be spayed/neutered and vaccinated. If I receive an intact dog, T&F will schedule an appointment with the vet contracted with T&F and I will be responsible for making sure the dog arrive at the appointment at the scheduled time. T&F will do their best to coordinate this with the foster’s schedule.

**EXPENSES COVERED BY T&F**

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that all basic medical expenses for each foster dog that comes into my care will be covered by T&F, provided that an authorized T&F representative has approved said medical expenses, and the care is from a T&F designated veterinarian.

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that if I choose to go to a vet of my choosing, I will be responsible for the vet bill.

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that T&F appreciates willingness to donate toward the dog’s general expenses, like food, treats, etc., and T&F will offer donated items, IF available, for use by foster homes. Otherwise, food, treats, etc. are at my cost and will only be T&F approved brands. Crates can be lent to foster homes and returned to T&F when a foster dog is adopted.

**DOG DESCRIPTION & PHOTO ON WEBSITE**

\_\_\_**I AGREE** to assist in getting regular updated photos of each foster dog that comes into my care to T&F representatives to post on the website.

**ADOPTION/TRANSFER**

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that I am not authorized to adopt out any foster dog in my care and that all adoptions go through an authorized T&F representative. I will be responsible for making sure the dog is taken to the meet & greet and/or adoption location at the agreed upon time by the T&F representative.

**PROTOCOL WITH CHILDREN**

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that the following protocol should be followed regarding children in the house.

 \*Do not under any circumstances leave a child unattended with any dog

\*Do not leave bones around the house when children are present and be cautious and observant when children are eating and the dog is in the room.

\*If there is a child in the household under the age of 5 the dog must be in a crate or separate room while the dog is eating or sleeping to prevent accidents.

\*Children under the age of 10 will not walk the dog unless supervised by an adult.

\*Whenever a child is in the house with a dog, the child is at risk of being accidently knocked over, scratched, bitten, etc.

\*Should you have any concerns or feel uncomfortable with a situation between the dog and a child contact a T&F representative so appropriate measures can be taken.

**CATS & DOGS CO-EXISTING**

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that even if the animal has been housed with cats in its foster home that T&F cannot guarantee the behavior with a new cat(s) will be the same. Please use caution when introducing a new dog to existing cats in the household and do the introduction slowly over a period of days, keeping the dog on a leash. If you need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact a T&F representative.

**MULTIPLE DOG HOUSEHOLDS**

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that the following protocol should be followed when bringing additional dogs into the house:

 \*Do not leave multiple dogs at home in the same room unattended

 \*Do not feed dogs in the same room and do not leave toys and treats lying around the house

\*Introduction should be on neutral ground, outdoors if there are large dogs involved, and supervised. No exceptions.

**GENERAL AGREEMENTS**

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that the T&F ID tag must be worn on the dog’s collar at all times. This is the dog’s link back to T&F. If the tag is lost, I agree to immediately contact a T&F representative.

\_\_\_**I AGREE** to keep each foster dog that comes into my care on a leash when outside my home or my own securely fenced yard.

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE** that no foster dog that comes into my care will be allowed to run or play off leash in a dog park or other open public area.

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE** that I am responsible for the safety of each foster dog that comes into my care, for the safety of the foster dog as well as other dogs and people the dog comes into contact with.

\_\_\_**I AGREE** to immediately notify my T&F contact in the event of a missing or injured foster dog.

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND** that if I decide to adopt a foster dog in my care, I must go through the adoption process, including paying the requested donation/adoption fee. (Donations/adoption fees are used to help cover vet costs and to save and help more dogs.)

\_\_\_**I UNDERSTAND that** my commitment to fostering this dog is for the duration of its time with T&F and that IF I need to return the dog to T&F’s care, for any reason, enough forewarning is necessary for T&F to locate a new foster home placement for the dog, and that process could take a week or longer depending on the dog and number of other dogs in foster care.

\_\_\_ **I UNDERSTAND** TRUE & FAITHFUL PET RESCUE MISSION HAS THE RIGHT TO REMOVE A FOSTER DOG FROM MY CARE AT ANY TIME FOR ANY REASON.

**DATE**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This document provides for the release of liability of True & Faithful Pet Rescue Mission, Inc. (T&F) and its volunteers on account of the actions of any dog of any breed, which has been released into the ownership of T&F and placed into the care of a Foster Care Provider (“any fostered dog”).

I,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Foster Care Provider named above, understand that T&F and its volunteers cannot guarantee actions or disposition of any fostered dog placed into foster care with me. I understand that although reasonable effort has been made to assess the disposition of each dog released to T&F beforehand but, being living animals, they may act unpredictably in any given situation, and that I must take necessary precautions to prevent accidents and guard against unpredicted actions by any fostered dog in my care.

\_\_\_I promise to take adequate care of any fostered dog in my care by providing nutritious food, plentiful water, and adequate shelter, as well as control of external parasites (fleas and ticks). No dog in my care will live outdoors.

\_\_\_I promise to notify T&F if any foster dog in my care us in need of veterinary care such as vaccinations, routine testing, and refill of heartworm preventative or treatment for illness. At no time will I allow any fostered dog to be a nuisance to people or other animals.

\_\_\_I promise that at no time will any foster dog be placed outside on a tie-out (in yard, in front of café, store, etc.)

\_\_\_I promise that when off my property, any fostered dog will be kept on a leash at all times unless I have approval from an authorized T&F representative. In that case the dog can only be off leash in a safely enclosed dog play area. Bully breeds and large breeds shall never be allowed off leash and should not go to a dog park even if they are on a leash.

\_\_\_I understand that T&F recommends the use of a dog crate for confinement inside the house and requires the use of ID tags on the dog’s collar in accordance with the Florida law. I understand that fostering a dog for T&F is not the same as adopting a dog, and that any fostered dog must be made available to prospective adopters referred by T&F for viewing for possible permanent adoption. Adoptions will not be carried out by foster care providers.

Signature & Info, Responsible Party (Foster Care Provider)

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Signature

Signature, T&F Authorized Representative

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

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