



Dog Adoption Agreement

Adoption Date: _____ Dog's Name: _____

HSJC ID #: _____ Age _____ Sex _____ Breed _____ Altered Y / N

Description: _____

Rabies Tag # _____ Vaccination Date: _____ Medical Records Given Y / N

Microchip MFG and # _____

Primary Adopter's Name _____

Secondary Adopter's Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____ Drivers Lic # _____

The Humane Society of Jackson County's (HSJC) mission is to prevent neglect, cruelty and exploitation of animals. We assure that their interest and well-being are fully, effectively and humanely protected by providing care, shelter, spay/neuter and education. We are a 501(3)(c) nonprofit organization licensed through the Georgia Department of Agriculture.

HSJC and the Adopter enter into this adoption Agreement to provide the adopted dog with a suitable forever home.

- Return Policy:** HSJC makes a lifetime commitment to every animal that comes through our organization. The adopter agrees that if he/she is unable or unwilling to care for the dog that every endeavor be made to return the dog to HSJC.
- Adoption Fee:** The Adopter agrees to pay an adoption fee of \$ _____ to help defray the expenses for food, shelter, spay/neuter, vaccinations, micro-chipping and veterinary care. **Additional donations are always welcome.** HSJC recognizes that pet to human matches can sometimes not work; so it is agreed that the adopter may return the dog within 7 days, and the adoption fee (less any out of pocket expenses incurred by HSJC) will be refunded. After 7 days, adoption fees are not refundable.
- Identification and Licenses:** This dog is micro-chipped for identification. The microchip number is registered with the microchip company under the Adopter's name and HSJC is on file as a secondary contact. The Adopter agrees to obtain and maintain all licenses required by local and state laws, and to maintain a collar on the dog with appropriate identification.
- Care:** The Adopter agrees to provide the dog with annual vaccinations as recommended by his/her veterinarian and provide immediate veterinary care should the dog become sick or injured. Please note: Georgia law requires a Rabies vaccination yearly.

The Adopter agrees to keep the dog in a clean and sheltered environment at all times and provide wholesome food, fresh water, adequate exercise and attention daily.

The adopter agrees the dog will not be used for dog fighting.

The adopter agrees the dog will not be left chained and unattended outdoors. Check your local laws and code enforcement; in many areas, it is not against the law to chain a dog outdoors.

The Adopter agrees not to surgically alter the dog's anatomy including but not limited to docking ears and tails.

5. **No Representations:** The Adopter understands that HSJC does not guarantee or make any warranties or representations regarding the health, temperament or training of the dog described in this agreement.
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7. **Release:** The Adopter and his/her spouse, heirs, executors, personal representatives and assigns agree never to bring a claim or suit against The Humane Society of Jackson County (HSJC). The Adopter agrees to hold harmless, indemnify and release HSJC and its board of directors, employees and volunteers from all liability arising from the adoption or behavior or actions of the dog.

The Adopter understands that this agreement discharges HSJC and its board of directors, employees and volunteers from any liability to the Adopter and his/her spouse, heirs, executors, personal representatives and assigns with respect to bodily injury, personal injury, illness, amputation, scarring, death, property damage or other loss that may result from the adoption or behavior or activities of the dog. The Adopter agrees to hold harmless, indemnify and release HSJC and its board of directors, employees and volunteers from any liability for HSJC's own negligence or liability that may result in bodily injury, personal injury, illness, amputation, scarring, death, property damage or other loss to the Adopter.

The Adopter has read this release agreement and fully understands that he/she will relinquish all claims or actions whether now known or discovered in the future against HSJC, its board of directors, employees and volunteers. Adopter is of legal age and legally competent to sign this agreement. Adopter is signing this agreement of his/her own free will without the influence of a HSJC employee or volunteer.

8. **Indemnity Agreement:** The Adopter, and for his/her spouse, heirs, executors, personal representatives and assigns agrees to indemnify and hold harmless, indemnify and release HSJC for all bodily injury, personal injury, illness, amputation, scarring, death, property damage or other losses, including attorney's fees and costs of litigation, that result to anyone else or any other entity because of the Adopter's negligence or liability. This includes lone acts or omissions by the Adopter as well as the combined acts of the Adopter with others.
9. **Other:** The Adopter expressly agrees that the releases and indemnity agreement are intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law. The Adopter agrees that in the event that any clause or provision of this agreement shall be held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such clause or provision shall not otherwise affect the remaining provisions of this agreement. This is the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any other verbal or written statements, representations or promises.

Signature of Adopter

Date

Signature of HSJC Representative

Date