



Foster Care Agreement
Brookline Labrador Retriever Rescue, Inc.
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This Foster Care Agreement is entered into between Brookline Labrador Retriever Rescue, Inc. (the Rescue/we/us”), a Pennsylvania non-profit corporation, and the undersigned (the “Foster Family” or “you”). In consideration of the mutual promises in this Agreement, and other good and valuable consideration, the Rescue and Foster Family agree to the following terms and conditions, intending to be legally bound:

1. **THE DOGS.** We are delivering the dogs/puppies (together, the “Dogs”) to you for temporary boarding and foster care (together, “Foster Care”) until the Dogs are permanently adopted, whenever that may be (unless the dog(s) are returned to us earlier as provided in paragraph 6 below):

The Dog will remain the property of the Rescue and will have some form of identification on its body at all times. The Dog will be surrendered to an officer of the Rescue immediately on request. The Dog is to be adopted to its permanent home only under the supervision of the Rescue to a family pre-approved by the Rescue. The Foster Family and the Adoptive Family will only be permitted to contact each other after the adoption if both families agree. All donations connected with the adoption of the Dog will be sent directly to the Rescue.

2. **THE FOSTER CARE.** You will provide the Foster Care in your home at the address at the end of this Agreement or should a move occur, at your new, approved location, initially in an area segregated from your own dogs and from any other dogs you are fostering, subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement. Your Foster Care for the Dogs will be comprised of the following:

- Providing daily wholesome dog food and water
- Providing a clean area for elimination
- Providing outdoor exercise on a leash or in a fenced yard, the Dog may be tied out for short periods but may NEVER be left outdoors, unattended or given free access to a doggie door when foster home is not home.
- No shock collars may be used, choke and/or pinch collars are permitted ONLY if fitted by a trainer
- Providing a warm, safe place inside your home
- Treating the Dog as a pet, companion and family member
- Administering medicines, if any
- Transporting the Dogs to the veterinarian, if necessary
- Socializing and playing, and
- Agreeing to adhere to any changes or updates made to the foster dog program as deemed necessary by the rescue

3. **VETERINARY CARE.** You will contact Senior Volunteer _____ by phone at ___-___-____ or by email at _____ or the Rescue office at 215-343-6087 to advise us of any emergencies involving the Dogs, for pre-approval of non-emergency veterinary care. The Foster Family will dispense all medications as prescribed.

4. **COMMUNICATION WITH RESCUE.** The Foster family agrees to provide updates on the physical and emotional well being of the dog to the Rescue on at least a weekly basis or more often if requested by the Rescue.

5. **COSTS AND EXPENSES.** The Rescue will pay all veterinary treatment costs that may be incurred for the Dogs during the Foster Care; provided, that we have given you prior approval by phone or email for such treatments, except in the event of a medical emergency, in which case you will use your best judgment in the matter. You will give us the receipts from the veterinarian for the veterinary care and medicines. You are providing the Foster Care out of your love for dogs, and as a volunteer, at no charge to the Rescue. The Foster Family will be held responsible for unapproved expenditures.

6. **NO LIABILITY.** You are not liable to us for any injuries to, illness or disappearance of the Dogs arising out of the Foster Care, except if such injuries, illness or disappearance are caused or arise out of your gross negligence or intentional misconduct. We are not liable for any bodily injury or property damage, losses or injuries whatsoever to you or other persons, or to your or another person’s animals and pets caused by the actions, behavior or health of the Dogs, or arising out of the Foster Care, except if such damage, losses or injuries are caused by our gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

7. RETURNING DOGS. You agree to contact us immediately by phone or email in the event that you are no longer able or willing to provide Foster Care to any or all of the Dogs. You will continue to care for the Dog(s) for a reasonable period, a minimum of seven (7) days, until we are able to coordinate transport of the Dog(s) to another home. We will notify you whenever we wish to retrieve any or all of the Dogs, whether for adoption into a permanent home or any other reason. You will cooperate with us by promptly arranging a mutually satisfactory time for us to pick up any Dogs being returned. If the Dog is to be placed in the care of a kennel or other person, the Rescue must be notified before such placement is made and consent to said placement.

8. ADOPTION BY FOSTER FAMILY. In the event that you wish to adopt any or all of the Dogs as a household pet for yourself, you must first enter into our Adoption Agreement. Be sure to carefully review the provisions of the Adoption Contract. **The Foster Family is required to take the Dog to a veterinarian for a routine (baseline) checkup prior to adoption. This examination is at the Foster Family's expense and proof of the visit must be provided to the Rescue prior to adoption.** If a veterinary visit was necessary and completed during the normal course of fostering, this baseline requirement is null and void.

9. LOANED EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES. We are temporarily providing you with the following equipment and supplies for use in providing the Foster Care:

You will return these items to us in good, clean condition (subject to normal wear and tear) at the end of the Foster Care period, or whenever we request them. If the foregoing items are lost, stolen or damaged beyond normal wear and tear as a result of you negligence or misconduct, you will promptly pay us the replacement price to purchase new items.

10. ENTIRE AGREEMENT; MODIFICATIONS; BINDING EFFECT. This Agreement is the entire Agreement between you and us. Any modification to the Agreement must be in writing, signed by both you and us. This Agreement binds your and our respective heirs, executors, representatives, successors and assigns. This agreement also serves as a supplement, in terms of liability, to the Volunteer Waiver signed.

11. This agreement will remain a binding agreement between the Rescue and Foster Family until either party decides that separation from the Rescue as a foster family is necessary through verbal or written means.

Dated: _____

FOSTER FAMILY

Signature:

Print Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

Spouse/Partner/Roommate: