



## PALMER TOWNSHIP CANINE ADOPTION CONTRACT

**Adopter's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Vet/Vet Clinic Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Adopting Agents Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Adoptive Dog's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Breed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Sex:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Color/Markings:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date of last Vet checkup:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DHLP:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Rabies:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Heartworm med:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Next vaccinations needed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Next Heartworm med needed:** \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, attest to the facts above and I agree to adopt the dog described above, now known as \_\_\_\_\_.

### ADOPTION AGREEMENT

The following terms and conditions constitute a legal contract for the adoption of the dog described above ("dog") between Palmer Township ("Township") and \_\_\_\_\_ ("Adopter"). These terms and conditions are entered into and agreed upon by both Township and the Adopter and they acknowledge the legal worth of this contract.

To the best of the Township's knowledge, this dog has no defects that would make it unsuitable as a family pet nor has the dog bitten or injured anyone. At the time of adoption all dogs are reasonably believed to be in good health; therefore, the Township cannot guarantee the health of the dog after the adoption takes place.

Adopter agrees to all of the following terms of this contract and understands that non-compliance with the terms of this agreement gives the adopting agent or their representatives the right to reclaim this dog without refund of adoption fee.

Please initial if in agreement:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. To contribute an adoption donation in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**Adopter's initials** \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. To immediately license and place identification on the dog with tags and collar.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. To abide by all laws and ordinances concerning this dog in any community in which I reside.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. To provide shelter, fresh water, proper food and adequate companionship at all times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. To provide annual veterinary examination, monthly heartworm preventative, yearly stool samples, rabies according to my state's regulations, and vaccinations, monthly flea prevention medication and dental care as determined by my veterinarian.

### **ENFORCEMENT OF CONTRACT**

This Contract is binding and enforceable by the all applicable federal commonwealth and municipal laws. Any breach of this contract in part or whole requires that the adopter voluntarily relinquish said dog and any papers that pertain to said dog to the Township designated representative within five days of notification at the adopter's expense without entitlement of any refund or damages of any kind.

### **RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION**

Adopter promises and agrees to be solely responsible for this animal and to indemnify and hold harmless Palmer Township, Palmer Township Employees and Volunteers (committee members, consultants, care givers and others) from any and all claims of liability for the conduct of this dog on or after the date of this adoption and agreement of contract. Palmer Township (its officers, elected officials, volunteers, affiliated entities and/or agents participating in the Canine Adoption process shall not be liable to adopter on any theory of legal liability including but not limited to the negligence of Palmer Township (and its officers, elected officials, employees, volunteers, affiliated entities, and/or agents), for any injury, death or damage directly or indirectly caused by pet. Adopter does hereby release Palmer Township (and its officers, elected officials, employees, volunteers, affiliated entities, and/or agents) from any and all liability, claims, suits, obligations, demands, or causes of action, known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, arising out of or relating in any way to pet or Palmer Township's release of pet to adopter. It is the expressed intention of adopter and Palmer Township that the release provided for in this paragraph is designed and intended to protect Palmer Township (and its officers, elected officials, employees, volunteers, affiliated entities, and/or agents) from any personal injury claims by adopter or others and from the consequences of any harm, behavior, or other action by the pet, and from the consequences of any act or omission or negligence on the part of Palmer Township (and its officers, elected officials, employees, volunteers, affiliated

**Adopter's initials** \_\_\_\_\_

entities, and/or agents) in obtaining custody of the pet, in providing care for the pet, in training or not training pet, or in failing to provide timely or adequate warning to any person concerning the pet.

**ADOPTER further understands and agrees:**

- That all future medical and health maintenance treatments are the responsibility of the adopter and that this is for the lifetime of the pet.
- The adopter agrees to comply with all state and local ordinances in the confinement, care, and licensing of this pet.
- That Palmer Township does not make any guarantees regarding the age, nature, temperament, or health of this pet. Adopter assumes all risks and responsibility including the financial responsibility of ownership of this pet once he/she is in the adopter's possession and that Palmer Township is not in any way responsible for such costs incurred.
- That this Adoption Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and
- I am at least 21 years of age.
- Special provisions of this contract, if any, are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_
- This agreement is made and entered into this day, by and between the releasing agency Palmer Township Police Department, Palmer Township and the Adopter. In consideration of mutual obligations herein, the releasing agency authorizes the adoption of the following animal to the new owner. The releasing agency agrees to release the above listed animal into the care of the new owner and refund the new owner's sterilization deposit, thirty dollars (\$30.00) provided that:

1- The animal is sterilized by a licensed doctor of veterinary medicine within sixty (60) days of date of signature below and as mandated by **Pennsylvania Consolidated Statute 3 P.S. 459-901- 911;**

2- A written statement by the licensed doctor of veterinary medicine performing the sterilization that the animal has been sterilized by the stated date is given to the releasing agency.

**Adopter's initials** \_\_\_\_\_

**My signature below affirms that I have read and agree to all the above conditions:**

**Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_**

**Adopter Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Adopter (Printed Information)**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Address: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_**

**In witness thereof by: \_\_\_\_\_**  
**(Authorized Representative of Palmer Township)**