HALF-WAY HOME Animal Rescue Application / Contract for Adoption

NOTE: AS A RESCUE – WE CANNOT GUARANTEE "HEALTH, BEHAVIOR OR BREEDING" – ADOPTIONS ARE "AS IS"

Thank you for considering the adoption of an animal from Half-Way Home Animal Rescue (HWHAR). WE MUST be assured that the pet you wish to adopt is best suited for you - we require the following questions be answered fully and honestly.

Please NOTE: If application is not legible – we will not contact you
Please Email to Info@hwhanimalrescue.com

How did you hear about us
Website _____
Facebook _____
PetFinder _____
Referral _____
Other _____

Rules of Adoption / POLICY

1. All animals adopted MUST be **spayed/neutered** & stay up to date on all vaccines for their entire lifespan (includes **heart worm preventative for the lifespan of the canines)**
2. **ALL ADOPTERS ARE REQUIRED to take new pet to own vet within 14-days & email proof of purchased heartworm prevention (for canines).**
3. Be financially able to provide for the needs of the animal(s).
4. Have adequate time and facilities to care for the animal(s).
5. Have the consent of all adults residing in the household and be at least **21** years of age.
6. Be aware that few animals are perfect; be prepared to give PET(S) time to adjust/transition into its new environment.
7. This IS AN ADOPTION; we reserve the right to postpose or refuse any adoption that is not in the best interest of any animal.
8 **Understand - you are adopting a pet 'AS IS'. HWHAR offers no guarantees on Pet(s) health, breeding and behavior.**
9. ALL ADOPTION FEES ARE FINAL & FORFEITED AT TIME OF ADOPTION. NO REFUNDS.

TODAYS DATE _____

If you want to adopt more than 1 pet - please mark

Pet 1st Choice (Name) _____ Color/Description _____

Pet 2nd Choice (Name) _____ Color/Description _____

Pet 3rd Choice (Name) _____ Color/Description _____

Adopter Information

(Please be LEGIBLE and PRINT CLEARLY your Email – If we cannot read it – you will not be contacted)

Adopters Name (s) _____

Driver's License/State ID # _____

Street Address & Apt-Condo# (If applicable) _____

City / State / Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

(Please be LEGIBLE and PRINT CLEARLY your Email – If we cannot read it – you will not be contacted)

Have you ever adopted from our organization before? ("X") _____ **YES** _____ **NO**
If Yes, When and What Type & Name of Pet? _____

Part of our commitment to successful adoptions, we keep in touch with Adopters. Do you object to a HWHAR rep contacting you at your home? _____**YES or NO**_____ If yes; then why?_____

Do you have a fenced-in Yard: _____**YES** _____**NO (Size: _____ SM-MED / Large Acres** _____

Household Facts ("X" all that apply):

"X" if you have children who live with you under age of {(15) _____/ (Age 10) _____(Age 5) _____ Do Children visit? _____

"X" your household activity level: _____ **Quiet** _____ **Active** _____ **Hectic**

"X" Do you live in: House (_____Own _____ Rent _____ Live with Parents) /_____ Apt. /Condo /_____Mobile Home

Personal Pet History and Experience

First Time Dog Owner: _____

Currently have Cat _____

What is your Experience with Pets ("X" All That Apply)

First Time Cat Owner: _____

Currently have Dog _____

Had Pets as Child _____

Currently have "Other Pet" _____

How much do you expect to spend on veterinary care for your new pet in the next year? _____

Please list the animals YOU HAVE BEEN FINANICALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR and have lived with you in the past (5) Five years

If you have/had pets - If you do not complete this section with all information requested – we cannot process your application

Pet TYPE(s) Name(s) and Breed	Spayed/Neutered	Age of Pet	REQUIRED Vet Clinic Name, City & Phone #	Still Have	Ownership Length
EXAMPLE CAT / "MOLLY"	***YES or NO***	*EXAMPLE 14 YEARS*	*EXAMPLE MIDWEST ANIM HOSP. 708-123-4567*	***Y / N***	*EXAMPLE 12 YRS*
	_____YES/ NO _____			_____	
	_____YES/ NO _____			_____	
	_____YES/ NO _____			_____	
	_____YES/ NO _____			_____	
	_____YES/ NO _____			_____	

What personality traits are you looking for in your new pet? _____

Where will you keep your pet during the day? _____ at night? _____

How long will the pet be without human contact during day? _____

What type of protection and shelter do you have outside for your pet? _____ N/A or Please explain:

_____

Are there any behavior problems that you feel would be unable to live with? _____ **YES** / _____ **NO**

If yes; please describe_____

Why are you adopting? ("X" all that applies_____ Companion for Self / _____ Companion for another Animal _____ Pet for Child / _____ Protection /_____ Mouser-Barn Cat /_____ Hunting Dog / _____ Office Pet / _____ Gift / OTHER (Explain) _____

"X" if you have a certain type of cat or dog in mind? _____ **Yes /**_____ **No / Note:** _____

"X" if you plan on de-clawing your cat? _____ **Yes /**_____ **No / Unsure** _____ (If Unsure Why?)

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How much time do you have to interact with your new pet? ("X" all that applies) _____ Will be at home or work _____Minimal interaction during week / _____ Lots of time on the weekends / _____ Will be my constant companion

CAT/KITTENS: How will you resolve problems such as clawing on furniture or failure to use litter box?

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DOG/PUPPIES How will you resolve problems such as behavior issues, chewing or house-training issues?

_____

How will pet get exercise: (CAT: Please explain) _____

(DOG: "X" what applies) ____ Leash Walks / ____ Running Loose / ____ Fenced in Yard / ____ Tie Out (lead)

ADOPTER AGREES TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS FOR THE ADOPTED ANIMAL:

To be filled out by RESCUE: The Adopter pays Non-Refundable adoption fee (DONATION) of $_____. HWHAR Initials: (_____)

ALL ADOPTION FEES ARE FINAL & FORFEITED AT TIME OF ADOPTION. NO REFUNDS IF PET IS RETURNED

	FEES – DOG ADOPTIONS	FEES – CAT ADOPTIONS
Sterilized Pet	**$500.00 Cash / 520.00 Paypal**	**$300.00 Cash / 310.00 Paypal**
Seniors (Age 9+)	**$300.00 Cash / 310.00 Paypal**	
Breeder Release / Specialty Breed (any age)	**$600.00 Cash / 620.00 Paypal**	

I understand that submitting this application does not guarantee the adoption of a pet from HWHAR. HWHAR reserves the right to reject any applicant.

The Adopter shall take the animal to a veterinarian within (14) days of adoption for; checkup, shots, medication recommended by veterinarian (+ monthly heart-worm preventative for dogs) YOU ARE REQUIRED TO EMAIL PROOF OF PURCHASE OF A 6 MONTH OR 12 MONTH SUPPLY OF HEART WORM PREVENTATIVE. HWHAR makes no representations/warranties as to the breeding, health, welfare, or behavior of the animal. Adopter shall provide the animal with necessary veterinary care upon sickness, disease, or injury, and shall take it to a veterinarian at least once a year for an annual health examination, bloodwork, and routine vaccinations-including Heart-Worm Preventative. Adopters shall keep all pets in the home. Dogs must be on heart-worm preventative for the life span of the animal.

If pets are not sterilized at time of adoption due to a medical condition or age HWHAR will arrange for the spay/neuter to be performed at a clinic of HWHAR Choosing and expense for procedure will be pre-paid on day of appointment by HWHAR directly to clinic. To receive an appointment, email info@hwhanimalrescue.com – advise of pet's name at time of adoption, date of adoption and proof of adoption – we will then arrange appointment and payment directly to clinic.

Adopter shall provide animal with humane care; maintain in accordance with all current/future state, county, municipal laws, and ordinances where Adopter resides (animal shall reside at the Adopter's address). The Adopter must provide a collar and identification tag for animals to always wear; provide food, water, shelter, veterinary treatment throughout its lifetime. Adopters shall provide animals with a fully fenced yard or other humane means of exercise. The animal shall not be kept constantly chained or left outside without human supervision. The Adopter shall keep the animal as a household pet and not use the pet for breeding or exclusively as a guard dog; adopter will not leave pet unattended in a car.

The Adopter agrees that it is the Adopter's responsibility to accept and adopt the animal "As-Is". The adopter understands that HWHAR and its representatives have limited information regarding the health, temperament or habits of the animal adopted. HWHAR will not provide lifetime care for any adopted pet due to Illness, breeding, behavior, or any other reason. The adopter understands that animals are unpredictable. Therefore, waive and release all claims, past, present, and future, against HWHAR, its officers and staff, for any damages and/or injuries to persons or property which arise from ownership of this animal.

HWHAR may make inquiries and/or examine adopted pets at any time. If rescue determines that the adopter is not providing adequate food, shelter, veterinary care or is otherwise in breach of any of obligations herein, rescue shall be entitled to take the adopted animal back and decide for the dog's care and readoption – with no refund of fees given.

If Adopter cannot keep adopted animal, Adopter shall notify HWHAR immediately. The animal shall not be sold, transferred, relinquished, or given to any individual or retail or wholesale establishment for the purpose of sale/resale to the public or any research institution where medical experimentation or other practices take place. HWHAR shall be notified that the pet cannot be kept in the original adopter's care immediately. **IF A PET IS RETURNED** and HWHAR has taken physical custody of animal(s) and assumes all present and future expenses of adopted animal, regardless of a signed relinquishment form, the adopter is forfeiting all current/future rights to said pet. Adopter also agrees to forfeit all amounts paid to Half-Way Home Animal Rescue should a breach of the Adoption Contract occur. Any FEES already paid to HWHAR will be CONSIDERED A DONATION to the rescue, and the **Adoption Fees WILL NOT BE REFUNDED.** If any fees, including but not limited to attorney fees, court costs, transportation/gas fees, are incurred to recover the pet, the costs shall be the burden of the adopter and legal action can be pursued by Half-Way Home Animal Rescue to recoup any additional costs. ALL PETS Returned (must be up to date w/proof) on all vaccines & heart worm prevention. Timeline for HWHAR to take custody of a returned pet is subject to foster home availability.

I declare that the information I have provided in this application is complete and correct. I further declare that I have read and understand the entirety of this contract and that I am financially and physically able to care for a rescued pet. I understand that proper food and veterinarian care may be costly, and I am able and willing to meet the needs of my adoptive pet. **I understand that I am adopting this pet "As-Is" – that there is no guarantee of the pet's health, breeding or behavior and all future care is at my own (adopters) expense.** I understand the requirements and grant permission for Home Checks at random both prior to and following adoption. I submit that if the Adoption Application or the Home Check reveals falsification or misrepresentation of any facts on my part, HWHAR reserves the right to either refuse adoption or to nullify the adoption and reclaim said pet from my premises, without reimbursement of the adoption donation. I release Half-Way Home Animal Rescue from any liabilities I may incur from the adoption process**.** If I am adopting a feline – I agree to not 'declaw' – If I do, I understand that the feline will be removed from my care and relinquished back to HWHAR at any time and no refund will be given.

Adopter(s) Signature(s) _____ Date _____