



# *Keshet Rescue: Adoption Agreement*

Keshet Rescue (“Keshet”, or “we”), and \_\_\_\_\_ the undersigned (“Adopter” or “you”), in consideration of the mutual covenants in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, intending to be legally bound by this Agreement, agree to the following:

1. **The Dog.** We are placing the following described dog with you, the Adopter, for adoption by you as an indoor/outdoor pet (the “Rescue Dog”):

\_\_\_\_\_  
Registered Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pet Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Breed

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth

\_\_\_\_\_  
ID Tag Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Male

\_\_\_\_\_  
Female

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Adopted

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ear Tattoo

\_\_\_\_\_  
Left

\_\_\_\_\_  
Right

\_\_\_\_\_  
Microchip Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Heartworm test results

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of spay or neuter

\_\_\_\_\_  
Description of Colour and Markings

\_\_\_\_\_  
Distinguishing Characteristic(s) (if any)

2. **Indemnification and Hold Harmless.** The undersigned Adopter hereby agrees to release, indemnify, and covenant to hold harmless the Keshet Rescue, its officers, members, agents, and other representatives, from any claims, damages, injuries, costs, or actions incurred as a result of this adoption or caused by the actions of the Rescue Dog.
3. **Attention.** You agree to give the Rescue Dog, attention and not to abuse him or her physically or psychologically in any way. You agree to give the Rescue Dog at least 30 days to make the transition needed to adjust to your home.
4. **Owner’s Care.**
  - 4.1. The Adopter accepts full responsibility for maintaining a reasonable level of care for the Rescue Dog, including food, water, grooming, adequate sanitation, exercise, attention, safety, and shelter. The Rescue Dog will be treated with affection and kindness, and never be subjected to abuse, animal research, dog fighting, or use as a guard dog for any agency, corporation, or organization. (Lure

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- coursing is permitted only on the condition that the dog receives full body set of X-rays to prove no previously broken bones or injuries that would have caused extra pain and suffering on the dog due to the rigorous motions of the course and training.)
- 4.2. You will treat the Rescue Dog as a household pet, companion and family member and not leave the Rescue Dog chained (more than 2 hours), crated and/or otherwise confined for extended periods of time (more than 5 hours at a time). Following a confinement period the Rescue Dog must be allowed unencumbered freedom (for a minimum of the period equal to the period of confinement) within the home and/or a protected run.
  - 4.3. When not in the home you will walk the Rescue Dog on a leash, or place the Rescue Dog in a protected run or other enclosed outdoor area, and NEVER allow the Rescue Dog to roam free unsupervised. You agree to ALWAYS keep the Rescue Dog ON A LEASH or in a SECURELY FENCED AREA.
  - 4.4. Underground electric fence containment systems are not to be used. These Rescue Dogs are large dogs with amazing tolerance for pain. An electric fence will not stop them from leaving the "protected" area if something catches their interest. It will also not stop kids or other dogs from approaching them
5. **Veterinary Care.** You agree to have the Rescue Dog examined by a licensed veterinarian not less than yearly. In case of illness or injury, you agree to seek prompt veterinary care. You agree to keep all required vaccinations current, including but not limited to Rabies and Distemper/Parvo (DHLPP) and to ensure that the Rescue Dog receives preventative medication to protect against heartworm. You consent to us inquiring with your veterinarian about the Rescue Dog after the adoption, and to us periodically visiting the dog at your residence.
6. **Identification; Transfer.**
- 6.1. You agree that the Rescue Dog will always be wearing an identification tag with two current telephone numbers.
  - 6.2. If for any reason the Adopter cannot keep the Rescue Dog, the Rescue Dog MUST be returned to Keshet Rescue or a designated Keshet Rescue representative. You will not give or allow the Rescue Dog to be given or sold to any individual or organization without written permission of Keshet Rescue. You will not place the Rescue Dog in a DOG POUND or PUBLIC/PRIVATE ANIMAL SHELTER of any kind.
  - 6.3. You understand that the use of a crate can ensure an earlier transition for the Rescue Dog and you agree to use a crate on the advice of the Keshet Rescue representative if necessary.
7. **Lost Dog.** You agree to make a serious effort to find the Rescue Dog if it becomes lost, by immediately (a) filing lost reports with the local police, animal control authorities, animal shelters, Keshet Rescue and local veterinarians & pet stores, (b) posting lost dog signs (c) running lost dog adds in your local paper and (d) contacting us for additional advice.
8. **No Representations.** You understand that this Rescue Dog was previously unwanted or lost and may have been rescued by us from a dangerous, unhealthy and/or cruel situation. This could have long-lasting effects on the Rescue Dog. You agree that we are making NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES about the conditions, personality or temperament of the Rescue Dog.



- 9. **Fees.** All adoption fees (if any) are used in the medical care, transportation and support of the Rescue Dog and other costs associated with arranging and completing the adoption. All adoption fees are used to cover the expenses of each dog in the program and are, therefore, not refundable. Exceptions are made at the discretion of Keshet Rescue.
- 10. **Reservation of Rights.** Keshet Rescue reserves the right to an ongoing review of this adoption and to follow-up on any complaints or reports to protect the welfare of the Rescue Dog.
- 11. **Remedies Upon Default.** Should the Adopter breach any of the agreements contained in this contract or have misrepresented any facts to Keshet Rescue to obtain the Rescue Dog, Keshet Rescue shall have the right to rescind this contract and demand RETURN of the Rescue Dog. Should the Adopter fail to return the Rescue Dog, Keshet Rescue may, at its option, a) peaceably enter the Adopter's property to take possession of the Rescue Dog, or b) seek an order from a court of competent jurisdiction for return of the Rescue Dog and payment of damages and may retain the sum paid for the Rescue Dog pursuant to this Agreement (if any).
- 12. **Attorneys' Fees.** The Adopter agrees to pay actual attorneys' fees and other costs incurred by Keshet Rescue to obtain the remedy available under Paragraph 11 above.
- 13. **Notices.** All notices / communications should be mailed to the following addresses:
  - a. Keshet Rescue, 6139 Russell Road, Carlsbad Springs, Ontario, Canada, K0A 1K0
  - b. Foster/Adopter
- 14. **Entire Agreement; Modification; Binding Effect.** This Agreement (including any attachment hereto) is the entire agreement between you and Keshet Rescue, and supersedes any prior understandings between you and Keshet Rescue with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification of this Agreement will be valid unless in writing dully signed by both you and us. This Agreement is binding upon you and your heirs, assigns, successors, personal representatives and executors.

**Your signature verifies that you have read, fully understand and agree to the conditions for fostering and or adoption set forth in this document.**

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

KESHET RESCUE	Foster/Adopter	Witness
Signature	Signature	Signature
Name	Name	Name
Title	Phone	Phone
	Email	Email