# Friends Left Behind Foster Home Agreement

To be considered as a foster family, applicants must be at least 18 years of age and provide valid identification showing their current address. Foster caregivers must be willing and able to dedicate the time, effort, and commitment necessary to provide appropriate care, training, and medical treatment for their foster pet.

Foster families should also understand the potential risks associated with contagious and communicable illnesses. To help protect all animals, any personal pets in the home must be current on their vaccinations. In addition, foster caregivers are strongly encouraged to limit contact between resident pets and incoming foster animals for a minimum of two (2) weeks to support a safe and healthy transition.

Animal Name _____

Your Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Terms of Agreement for Fostering

I, _____ agree to act as temporary Foster Home for Friends Left Behind Rescue (herein known as FLB.) I agree to abide by the following conditions whenever fostering any animals for FLB.

1. Any animal(s) fostered by me will be kept in a FLB-approved home/facility. I understand that any animal(s) I foster is/are the property of FLB, and I agree to turn it/them over to FLB immediately upon request. I agree to bring any animal(s) fostered by me to FLB's veterinarian for exams, vaccinations, weight checks, or other reason deemed necessary by FLB at a mutually agreed upon date and/or time.
2. I understand that I am not authorized to seek outside veterinary care for FLB foster animals without approval from FLB staff or the FLB foster coordination team and may be dismissed from the foster program for doing so. If I choose to treat the animal(s) at a veterinarian of my choice, I understand that I will assume full responsibility for payment of the vet bill and any recommended medication. FLB will be unable to reimburse me for any such payment(s).
3. I understand that I am responsible for adhering to all FLB's standard of care and applicable local and state laws dealing with animal welfare.
4. I agree to a premises check upon the request of FLB which can include a visual inspection of the living quarters of all FLB foster animals in that environment and testing for

transmissible disease.

5. I agree to provide adequate, positive socialization for any animal(s) fostered by me to help ensure their temperament will be as sound as possible. I also agree, when requested, to give a progress report to FLB. I agree to bring my foster animal(s) to the FLB approved veterinarian for any required vaccinations, de-worming, or other medication prescribed and provided by FLB at no cost to me.
6. I agree to keep my foster animal(s) separate from my own pets, and that the possibility of foster animals fighting, injuring, or spreading illness to my own pets does exist. I agree that I will keep my own pet up to date on vaccines and de-wormers according to my own veterinarian, while I am fostering any animal(s) for FLB. I understand that if I choose to allow my foster animal(s) and my own pet(s) to have access to each other, I do so at my own risk and will not hold FLB liable for any illness or injury that may occur to my own pet(s).
7. I agree to keep FLB animals safe from harm/illness because of contact with resident pets.
8. I understand the potential for contagious illness is high in animals. Therefore, I agree not to mix any of my foster animals or animals from more than one litter unless approved by FLB. I also agree not to foster animals from any other organization while I am fostering for FLB, unless granted specific approval by FLB.
9. Any animal(s) fostered by me will be fed, watered and exercised appropriately. I agree to provide an adequate and nutritious diet, including any necessary supplements, as recommended by FLB. I also agree to abide by any instructions given by FLB regarding the feeding of specific brands or types of supplemental food and/or nutritional supplements to my foster animals. Although FLB will make every attempt to furnish food and/or litter for those foster care volunteers, I understand that the availability of these supplies is based on donations from the public and limited to stock on hand. I will be responsible for providing necessary supplies if they are not available through FLB. FLB cannot and does not *guarantee* to be able to provide free food, litter or supplies for my foster animals.
10. I will not allow any foster dogs or puppies to have any unsupervised off-leash time. I will provide a kennel, crate and/or securely fenced yard for their safety. I will not allow foster cats or kittens to go outside at any time except to transport them to and from the shelter or to a veterinarian, if needed. I agree to transport any foster cats, kittens, puppies and small dogs in a sturdy carrier. I agree to transport any foster animal(s) in an enclosed vehicle only, and I will not allow them to ride in the bed of a pickup or a convertible.
11. I agree that animals will not be kept outside unless otherwise discussed and approved by FLB.
12. I understand that FLB will take every precaution to ensure that any animal(s) I foster are reasonably healthy and that any <u>known</u> health problems will be disclosed to me prior to my taking the animal into my home, but FLB cannot be held responsible for any unforeseen health problem that may develop after the animal(s) is/are in my care. I understand that FLB may require me to bring my foster animal(s) to the FLB approved veterinarian to assess or treat any health problem, at its discretion.
13. I understand that Foster Coordinators/ FLB staff have the right to limit the number of animals in my care at any given time.

14. I assume responsibility for any events that occur in connection with my fostering of an animal for FLB. I understand the possibility of my children or others being bitten, scratched, or contracting disease does exist. I agree to be responsible for my children and anyone else handling any animal(s) fostered by me in a safe and hygienic manner and will not hold FLB responsible for any injuries that may result from my failure to do so. **I AGREE TO NOTIFY A FLB REPRESENTATIVE IMMEDIATELY OF ANY BITES THAT BREAK THE SKIN** that occur to any person or animal while any foster animal is in my care.
15. Any animal fostered by me is to be adopted to a permanent home only under the supervision of FLB, to an adopter approved by FLB, even if the adopter is me or a member of my household. All foster animals **MUST** be returned to FLB approved veterinarian for sterilization and completion of adoption paperwork prior to permanent adoption. I understand that if I find a suitable home for any animal that I am fostering, the above conditions must apply, and that the adopter must pay the adoption fee. When the foster period is over, I will call FLB to discuss returning the animal(s) and will do so at the agreed upon time.
16. I understand that Friends Left Behind Rescue cannot and does not make any representations or warranties, either expressed or implied concerning the temperament, habits, health, pedigree, disposition, age, sex or background of this animal and that I have no right to a reimbursement of medical, adoption or other professional fees. Furthermore, I understand that the animal's future reactions to me, my family or any other person are completely unpredictable because animals, like people, have their own personalities.
17. In consideration of receiving any FLB foster animal, I, as a foster caregiver, hereby release Friends Left Behind Rescue, its officers, agents and employees from all claims of injury or damage that a fostered dog/cat/other may cause me or my property. I agree to hold harmless, defend and indemnify Friends Left Behind Rescue, it's officers, contract veterinarians, agents and employees from all claims of liability to other persons for injuries or damages arising out of or in connection with services of this program or caused to them or their property by the animal(s) I am fostering through FLB.
18. If for any reason, I do not comply with all provisions of this agreement, I agree to return the fostered animal to Friends Left Behind Rescue upon demand of the enforcement agent. If I refuse to return the fostered animal to Friends Left Behind Rescue upon demand of the enforcement agent, I understand that FLB reserves the right to impound them as legal owner of the animal.

I acknowledge that I have reviewed the documented information and I have received said documentation in writing. I am fostering with awareness of any documented medical or behavioral history.

**I have read and agree to the above terms:**

Print Name_____ Cell_____

Signature_____ Date_____

Email _____

DL# _____ State of Issuance _____