

PET OWNER SHELTERING AGREEMENT

Signature indicating agreement of the Pet Owner or Agent to the following is required on the Animal Record

I, the pet owner (or agent for the owner), understand that an emergency exists and that limited arrangements have been made to allow my pet(s) to remain in a shelter. I understand and agree to abide by the rules contained in this agreement and will explain them to the other members of my household.

- I will maintain proper identification on my pet and its carrier at all times. I understand that the shelter will require proper identification (normally a picture ID) for me to be allowed into the shelter to care for my pet.
- I certify that my pet is current on rabies vaccinations. Rabies vaccination is required.
- I grant permission for shelter staff to examine my pet and to administer medications that I provide. Directions for the route, dosage and frequency of medication are written on the container or I will provide them. I also understand that a licensed veterinarian may prescribe treatment for my pet to alleviate pain or suffering.
- I certify that my pet has no history of aggressive behavior and has not been diagnosed with any contagious diseases for which it has not received successful treatment. I further understand that my pet may be removed to an isolated location if it becomes unruly or aggressive, shows signs of contagious disease, is infested with parasites, or begins to show signs of stress-related conditions.
- I agree to keep my pet inside an approved carrier with its door latched and secured at all times except when permitted by shelter staff. During those times – whenever the carrier door is open or my pet is out of its carrier – I will properly control my pet with a leash, harness, and muzzle (if necessary). Visiting hours will be strictly limited.
- I understand that I am expected to properly feed, water, clean, and exercise my pet and sign the pet care sheet twice per day. I am also expected to clean and sanitize – properly dispose of waste and disinfect – the area used by my pet.
- I agree that only one person per household will be allowed to enter the cat or dog living quarters in the shelter. That visitor must be at least 18 years of age. I will not permit other shelter visitors to handle or approach my pet, either while it is in its carrier or during exercise time. I agree not to handle or approach other people's pets.
- I understand that any decision concerning the care and welfare of my pet and the shelter population as a whole are within the sole discretion of the Shelter Manager whose decisions are final.
- I understand that an animal that is abandoned or unclaimed by an owner may be moved to the nearest available animal control facility. Shelter staff will post information about such abandoned or unclaimed animals on-line at <http://www.petfinder.com>. Final disposition of these animals will be left to the discretion of the animal control facility.
- I acknowledge that my failure to follow these rules may result in the removal of my pet from the shelter.

I hereby agree to hold harmless all persons, organizations, corporations or government agencies involved in the care and sheltering of my animal(s). I further agree to indemnify any persons or entities which may have suffered loss or damage as a result of the care and sheltering of my animal.