

SAFE DOG Foster Care Agreement



Dog's name _____ SAFE Number _____

As a foster carer you are responsible for the temporary care of the dog until it is ready to be rehomed. The length of time the dog will be in your care will vary depending on the circumstances. Please tick the boxes below to show that you have read & understood our terms & conditions.

- I will not take any other animals into my care without authorisation from SAFE and confirm that whilst I am fostering for SAFE I will not foster for any other organisation
- I agree to be in regular contact with SAFE & that if SAFE contacts me I will respond asap
- I will follow SAFE's advice and instructions at all times and abide by the decisions made By the Dog Co-ordinator or General Manager of SAFE
- I understand that that the dog remains the exclusive property of SAFE, I have no ownership rights whatsoever and will not attempt to arrange for the dog to be adopted or sold
- If for any reason I am personally unable to care for the dog, I will notify SAFE immediately. I understand that I cannot give the dog away or authorise someone else to take over its care
- I understand and agree that SAFE may make inspections of my home either before or during the fostering period
- I agree to return the dog at SAFE's request at any time and for any reason
- When the dog is made available for adoption I will make every effort to ensure that the dog is available to meet potential adopters asap at a mutually convenient time
- If the dog passes in my care or is adopted I will return all related records & property to SAFE
- I understand that SAFE is a no kill organization, however there may be instances where the dog in my care may no longer be considered healthy or treatable and after careful consultation with vets &/or behaviour specialists, SAFE may make the decision to euthanise the dog

- I will always act in the best interests of the dog's welfare. The dog will become a member of my family and will be cared for in the comfort of my home
- My home has a safe, fully enclosed area to prevent escape & access by other animals
- I agree to keep the dog safe from harm, to provide clean, warm bedding, toys for enrichment & adequate space to play
- I will not leave the dog tethered
- I will feed, provide access to water & medicate the dog as appropriate & instructed by SAFE
- I will exercise and train the dog as advised by SAFE
- I agree to be available & responsible to transport the dog safely to & from vet appointments
- If the dog is unvaccinated or desexed I will not take it to a public place including a dog park without SAFE's approval
- I will keep the dog on a lead at all times when out in public unless SAFE has given me permission otherwise
- I agree to monitor & record the health & behaviour of the dog and report back regularly to SAFE. If there are any significant changes I will contact the Dog Co-ordinator, in particular if the dog does not urinate/ defecate or eat in a 48 hour period I will contact SAFE immediately
- If the dog becomes sick, injured or lost whilst in my care, I acknowledge it is my responsibility to contact SAFE to discuss what action to take. I will not treat the dog myself or take it to my own vet unless in the case of emergency and only then with PRIOR APPROVAL from SAFE**
- I will notify SAFE asap If I'm interested in adopting the dog. I understand that it will be at SAFE's discretion to decide which home is the most appropriate for the dog. If my application is approved I will have to go through the normal adoption application process and if approved, pay the full adoption fee

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I understand that by volunteering to foster care this does not, and is not intended to create any relationship of employment between myself and SAFE (within the ordinary meaning of these terms or as defined by statute, and to the extent permitted by law). I will not hold myself as being authorized to exercise any responsibilities, for, or on behalf of SAFE, other than as provided by this agreement

I acknowledge that SAFE will not make any payments to me in respect of my voluntary foster care assistance, public holidays, annual leave, parental leave, personal/carer’s leave, long service leave or termination of this agreement

I agree that I will protect the privacy and confidentiality of any information that I become aware of as a foster carer for SAFE. I agree that I will not use or disclose information other than for the purpose for which the information was collected

I understand that SAFE is not responsible for any damage or injury caused by the dog in my home to myself or other household members or guests. I agree to notify SAFE Immediately of any illness or injury I may have sustained as result of my foster care

I understand that I am responsible for the health & behavior of the dog whilst it is in my care and hereby indemnify SAFE, its committee, employees and volunteers against any claim, liability complaint, demand, costs or expenses which arise as a result of my actions or omissions (including negligence)

- By signing below, I certify that the information I have given about myself & the property on which the dog is to be housed is true & correct & not misleading in any way.
- I realise that any misrepresentation may result in me losing the privilege of fostering dogs & understand that SAFE has the right to deny my request to foster animals if the situation would not be in the best interests of the dog or if it would be contrary to SAFE’s policies, the NSW Companion Animals Act, the NSW Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act or any other legal requirement.

I am 18 years or older & have read, understood & as indicated agreed to the terms above Yes No

If I change my address and/or contact details I will notify SAFE immediately Yes

Foster carer name _____

Address _____

Type of home House Townhouse Apartment Other _____

Phone _____ email _____

Driving Licence Number _____ (please attach a photo) Photo received Yes No

Signature _____ Start Date _____

Return Date _____

Name of secondary contact _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____