



North East Rottweiler Rescue & Referral, Inc.

Rescuing & Rehoming Rottweilers Since 1998

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Foster Contract

Terms of Ownership and Liability

NERR&R dogs will remain the property of NERR&R while in foster care. The NERR&R dog will be surrendered immediately upon the request of the Foster Coordinator (FC), the Assistant Foster Coordinator (AFC), any NERR&R Board of Directors member or an agent of any NERR&R Board member. Should legal action be necessary to reclaim a NERR&R dog, the foster home will be responsible for all legal fees incurred by NERR&R.

No foster dog is to be transferred from the foster home to any other party without prior approval by the FC, AFC or a member of the board of directors.

The foster family accepts liability for any and all damages that occur in connection with the fostering of NERR&R dog(s). The foster family agrees to release NERR&R from any and all claims, known and unknown, now or hereafter, arising in connection with the animal(s) while under the direct care of the foster family.

Condition of Foster Dogs

NERR&R makes no explicit or implicit guarantees in reference to health and/or temperament of the foster dog. NERR&R will provide the dog with basic vaccines, heartworm test, fecal examination, heartworm and flea/tick preventative and any other required medications. While NERR&R makes every effort to place only healthy animals in foster care, they cannot guarantee the health of any animal and shall not be held responsible for any expenses other than direct care for the foster dog that may be incurred as a result of housing the foster dog. NERR&R does not make any warranties regarding health, temperament or whether the animal is housebroken.

The NERR&R foster dog shall reside indoors, in the foster's home, and live as a family member and companion. The dog will not be kept outdoors during the foster's working hours, nor at any time be left alone outdoors while the foster family is not present.

The foster dog(s) will be kept in the home as a family pet and may not be crated or isolated for excessive periods of time. When outside, dogs should be confined to a fenced-in yard or kennel, or kept on-leash. While in the home, dogs will get appropriate supervised house time and will not be left alone with children. The foster dog(s) must be on-leash and accompanied by an adult at all times when leaving the property; a copy of the dog's rabies certificate must always accompany the dog when leaving the property.

Crate training is mandatory for all NERR&R foster dogs. All fosters must be crated when not supervised. NERR&R will provide crates to any foster home that needs one.

The foster dog(s) will be fed, watered, exercised, and socialized appropriately. The foster home will not be compensated for expenses incurred in the normal daily care of the animal(s) (i.e. food, toys, grooming, etc). However, these items will be provided to each foster home when NERR&R has them available.

While the NERR&R foster dog(s) is/are in foster care they should receive training in basic obedience, house training (potty training) and house manners. Prong or shock collars are to be used only with prior approval from the NERR&R Foster Coordinator, Assistant Foster Coordinator or a Board of Directors Member. Training collars or halters will only be used when walking the dog on a leash or during obedience classes.

The NERR&R foster dog(s) must always wear a nylon or leather buckle collar with the rabies tag and NERR&R tag displayed. The collar must be checked regularly to ensure proper fit. It is not necessary that the dog wear the collar at night.

Responsibilities of NERR&R

NERR&R will fund routine veterinary care. This includes vaccinations, heartworm testing and preventative, spay/neuters, fecal exams and any prescription medications necessary for the health of the foster dog(s). All veterinary appointments must be pre-approved by the Foster Coordinator, the AFC, or a NERR&R Board Member. Expenditures incurred by the foster family, other than emergency care, without prior approval by NERR&R, will be the sole responsibility of the foster family. All original veterinary paper work should be mailed to the Assistant Foster Coordinator for the dog's file. Bills for reimbursement must be sent to the NERR&R Treasurer with a completed expense report.

The Foster Coordinator will give the foster home a schedule for any vaccinations, de-wormings or medications that the dog needs. It will be the foster home's responsibility to see that the schedule is maintained, and to update the foster coordinator with treatment dates.

NERR&R will provide one crate per foster dog to any foster home needing crates. NERR&R will provide monthly flea/tick & heartworm preventative and funds for the basic training of the foster dog at an approved training facility as well as required training equipment (collars, halters, leads).

NERR&R will provide food for foster dogs when it is available. The foster home will be responsible for picking up the food at a designated food depot.

If there is a need to remove the dog(s) from the foster home, arrangements will be made to have the dog removed as soon as possible. Please direct questions or problems to the NERR&R Foster Coordinator.

Foster Home Responsibilities

All foster families are required to be on the NERR&R foster e-mail list. The foster family will continually evaluate the foster dog(s) and report changes in behavior that may require re-evaluation of the foster dog(s) to the FC, the AFC or a member of the board of directors.

It is the responsibility of the foster home to prepare follow-up forms as required by the AC & AFC. The usual schedule is one week, two weeks, four weeks and monthly thereafter. These documents are used by the Adoption Coordinator in determining which approved families are appropriate to visit the foster dog(s).

The foster family will be responsible for writing up bios and providing photos of the foster dog for the NERR&R web page and updating them regularly. A sponsorship photo should be filed with the FC within the first week of foster care but may be updated if desired.

The foster dog(s) is/are not to be left alone with children under the age of 14 at any time. An adult is to be with the dog whenever there are any children around. The foster dog should be on leash and handled by an adult in the company of children other than those residing in the foster home.

The foster family shall refrain from physical abuse or mistreatment of the foster dog(s) and from otherwise treating the dog(s) in an inhumane manner. This includes, but is not limited to non-physical abuse, such as yelling at the dog, and depriving the dog of activities.

Questions or problems with the foster dog(s) should be directed to the NERR&R Foster Coordinator. If there is a need to remove the dog(s) from the foster home, arrangements will be made to have the dog removed as soon as possible.

The foster home must notify the FC, AFC or a board member if they will be away and care of the dog(s) is being left to someone other than another foster home. If the dog cannot be cared for in the foster home during an extended absence, NERR&R will make arrangements to either board the foster dog, or move it to another approved NERR&R foster home.

Adoption Procedures

Either the Foster or the Adoption Coordinators will give the foster family information on approved families. Adoptive families will contact the foster family to inquire about the dogs(s). Phone calls and emails are to be handled promptly and professionally. Prior to sending the foster dog(s) to an approved adoptive home, the foster family must complete an Adoption Contract with the family, discussing the contract with them. Contracts will be emailed to the foster family in their complete form, ready for signature.

The foster dog(s) will be adopted to a permanent home only with the approval of the NERR&R Adoption and Foster Coordinators, and only applicants pre-approved by NERR&R may visit the foster dog(s) in the foster home.

Foster Families work with Foster and Adoption Coordinators to determine whether the approved, potential adoptive family is the appropriate home for the foster dog(s). The foster family should not send a dog home with a family they feel is not suitable for the foster dog(s).

The foster family may not adopt a dog they are fostering after it has been shown to a potential adopter. If the foster family would like to adopt the foster dog, the Adoption and Foster Coordinators should be notified before arrangements are made to show the dog to applicants.

Donation fees and signed adoption contracts must be sent immediately to North East Rottweiler Rescue & Referral, Inc. PO Box 510, Portsmouth RI. 02871

Foster Home Information

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone(s) _____ E-mail _____

I/We, _____, certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct. I understand that as a foster home for NERR&R I provide my own home owner's insurance, and hereby agree to not hold NERR&R, Inc. or any of its volunteers, associates or foster care providers liable for any physical, emotional or property damages that are a direct or indirect result of activities involved in the fostering of Rottweilers associated with NERR&R. This includes any and all activities I perform as a NERR&R volunteer. I have read NERR&R's policies and foster directives and agree to act in accordance with them while I am representing NERR&R.

Signature _____ Driver's License _____

Signature _____ Driver's License _____

Witness _____ Date _____

A signed copy of this document should be mailed to:

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