



## **FOSTER APPLICATION, AGREEMENT & ADOPTION ADDENDUM**

### **WATERMELON MOUNTAIN RANCH**

To be considered as a foster you must meet the following:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Have legal identification with current address
- Be able to verify you can have pets at your present residence

Watermelon Mountain Ranch (WMR) has the right to refuse & remove any person from the *Foster Parent Program* at any time.

### **FOSTER AGREEMENT**

Foster Agreements are for dogs or cats that are recovering from surgery, illness, or injury and are under medical watch as well as animals that are too young for adoption and senior pets. Many foster animals may have a lowered immune system so they will require specialized care and/or need to be kept separate from other animals who are not properly vetted.

It is a shared responsibility between Watermelon Mountain Ranch and the foster homes to work together for the well-being of the foster animal(s).

#### **Different Types of Fosters**

- Overnight Foster – during adopt-a-thons
- Short Term Foster – 1 to 2 weeks
- Long Term Foster – for medical care or behavioral rehab
- Foster to Adopt Program – bring animal to adoption events & foster until adopted •

Perpetual Car/Hospice Care – for the duration of the animal's life

#### **Foster Parent Responsibilities and Conditions**

1. Notify WMR (Ranch Manager & Foster Coordinator) immediately if foster animal becomes lost or stolen.

2. Notify WMR (Ranch Manager & Foster Coordinator) if circumstances change and you cannot continue with your foster arrangement.
3. Notify WMR (Ranch Manager & Foster Coordinator) immediately if the foster parent has a change of address or telephone number.
4. Notify WMR (Ranch Manager & Foster Coordinator) immediately about any problems or concerns about the health and well-being of the foster animal. If there is a medical concern, the foster animal needs to be returned immediately to WMR for treatment. If an urgent situation arises, medical care will be not be reimbursed unless pre-approved by the Ranch Manager or the Animal Welfare Directors.
5. Transferring the animal to another individual is not permitted.
6. Immediately agree to return animal to WMR upon request.
7. Agree to a background check & home check prior to approval.
8. Allow representatives of WMR to make periodic inspections of the animal and the living conditions provided for the animal.
9. Agree to indemnify and hold WMR harmless for and against any and all manner of actions and causes of actions, suits, debts, accounts, bonds, covenants, and agreements.
10. Provide foster animal with adequate shelter, food, water, care, and protection from other animals and people at all times. Foster parents will not leave animal unsupervised, chained, leashed, or tethered to any object indoors or outdoors.
11. Transport foster animal to WMR for medical care (booster shots, vaccines, etc.) when needed. Kittens and puppies will need booster shots every two to three weeks from the time they are four or five weeks old. An adult foster animal may not be up-to-date on vaccinations or may need booster shots also.
12. Foster must be able to transport animals to and from adoption events.

**Watermelon Mountain Ranch Responsibilities:**

1. Provide guidance and instructions for basic care.
2. Provide all medical care and medical supplies during foster care.
3. Will screen and facilitate the foster process.
4. Will provide supplies needed to care for animal (food, kennel etc)

## Personal Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Current physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived at your present address? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you **OWN** or **RENT**? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ House \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ Military \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Home \_\_\_\_\_ Condo

Landlord Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have access to social media(Facebook, Instagram etc)? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Number of adults in household? \_\_\_\_\_ Number of children? \_\_\_\_\_ Ages? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you or any adult in the home been convicted of a felony?  YES  NO

If yes, please explain? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any pets now?  YES  NO

If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes(breed,age,gender,species): \_\_\_\_\_

Are they spayed/neutered?  YES  NO

Are your pets up to date on vaccines?  YES  NO

Have you ever rehomed or surrendered an animal to a shelter?  YES  NO

If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a secured fenced yard?  YES  NO Type of fencing: \_\_\_\_\_

Height at lowest point: \_\_\_\_\_ ft

## Foster Preferences

How many hours a day will the foster be left alone? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the foster stay during the DAY? \_\_\_\_\_ NIGHT? \_\_\_\_\_

How will your foster be confined to the property? Check all that may apply.

- In house  Kennel  Fenced Yard  Dog run  Chained  Patio  
 Other (please explain \_\_\_\_\_)

Which foster program(s) are you interested in (check all that may apply):  Overnight  Short Term

- Long Term  Perpetual Care/Hospice Care

Foster Preference:  Adult Dog  Puppies  Adult Cat  Kittens  Mom w/litter  Special Ailments (hospice, perpetual etc)  Behavior Issues (shy, skittish, dog selective etc)  Male  Female

Do you have experience with (check all that may apply):  Post-operative care  Injured Animals  
 Bottle feedings  Giving Oral Medications  Injectable Medications  Syringe feedings

Do you realize you may need to housebreak your foster?  YES  NO

## Foster adoption addendum

Policies & procedures for adopting your foster animal:

- All potential adoptions must meet WMR adoption guidelines (WMR reserves the right to deny any adoption)
- Each adoption will be reviewed and approved by a WMR staff member & senior adoption counselor
- Animals must be spayed/neutered & fully vetted by WMR Vet Team
- Animals must be medically cleared by WMR Vet Team

Once the above criteria have been met the following steps will be taken:

- Within 1 week the questionnaire, trial adoption contract & half of the approved adoption fee (adoption fees may vary & are non-refundable) must be completed.
- The remaining forms: adoption release waiver, contract, PetSmart form, under 1 year waiver (if applicable) & remaining adoption fee must be completed within 7 days of initial agreement.

- If the remaining forms & fee are not paid within the week the remaining balance will be charged to the card on file.
- The foster animal's medical records folder will not be released until the adoption is finalized.
- If illness or injury occurs during above timeframe WMR may not be held liable for cost of care. WMR management must be consulted for possible reimbursement of care. Dependent on the circumstances & severity of the illness or injury WMR has the right to cancel the pending adoption.
- WMR will not be held liable for cost of care due to negligence of adopter during above timeframe.

In the event the dog is not returned to Watermelon Mountain Ranch as agreed or required by WMR, the card on file will be charged.

By signing below, you are agreeing to all the terms above & information you entered was accurate. You also agree to notify WMR of any changes to information provided above within 48 hours of any change in that information.

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Application Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

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