

Great Dog Rescue New England Adoption Contract

FAX SIGNED CONTRACT TO: 978-470-3733

Dog's Name: _____ Breed: _____ Estimated Age: _____

ID Tag #: _____ Microchip #: _____

This agreement is entered into this date by and between Great Dog Rescue New England ("GDRNE") and the applicant ("Adopter") for the adoption of the above identified rescue dog ("the dog").

Terms and Conditions

1. Adopter agrees to pay GDRNE an adoption fee of \$_____ for the above named dog or puppy. This fee, minus \$75, is refundable provided Adopter personally returns the alive dog in the same condition as when it was adopted to GDRNE within seven (7) days of its adoption.
2. Adopter agrees the dog is to be a family companion and agrees to provide the dog with a safe home, adequate food, water, proper care, exercise, love and attention. Adopter agrees not to violate any laws or ordinances relating to animal welfare. The dog is not to be used as an attack or protection trained dog and will not be used for commercial guard work.
3. Adopter agrees to keep a buckle collar on the dog with ID tag, current rabies tag and any required town dog license. The dog is only to have a choke collar on during training and walks.
4. Adopter agrees that the dog will be confined inside the home when no one is at home. When Adopter is to go away for a prolonged period of time or vacation, Adopter is to prearrange proper care for the dog.
5. The dog shall not ride loose in the bed of pickup trucks, convertibles or to be left in a car when air temperatures exceed 70 degrees.
6. Adopter agrees to have a clean, secure fenced area for the dog. If a fenced enclosure is not available, Adopter agrees to leash walk dog. If Adopter uses invisible fencing, the dog is to be sufficiently trained before releasing it inside the system. Under no circumstances shall the dog be kept routinely on a runner or tie out.
7. Adopter agrees to have the dog examined by a licensed veterinarian at least once each year and provide for all vaccinations and treatments necessary to ensure good health. If euthanasia becomes necessary, Adopter agrees to have it performed by a licensed veterinarian.
8. Adopter agrees to notify GDRNE in writing of a change in address and/or phone number within two (2) weeks of such change.
9. GDRNE makes no guarantees or statements regarding the dog's age, breed, health, or temperament. While GDRNE has made every effort to provide accurate history and assessment of the dog, GDRNE is not able to guarantee the dog's age, breed, medical status or history, behavior or disposition. Adopter hereby releases GDRNE and its employees, directors, members and representatives of any and all possible claims arising from injury or damage caused by the dog to any person or property or relating to the health or temperament of the dog, including any expenses related thereto. Adopter accepts this dog as is with all defects, either observable or unobservable, and assumes all risk for the dog upon signing of this contract.
10. If for whatever reason Adopter is unable to keep the dog for its entire life, Adopter must offer to return the dog to GDRNE. Adopter agrees not to give away, sell or dispose of the dog without the prior written consent of GDRNE. If the dog becomes lost, seriously injured, and/or permanently disfigured, or for any reason the dog dies, GDRNE shall be notified within five (5) days. Notification of GDRNE shall include all veterinarian, animal control, legal and other paperwork.
11. Adopter will allow GDRNE to conduct home visits and phone check-ins at GDRNE's discretion after adoption in order to check on the dog's welfare.
12. Adopter shall indemnify and hold GDRNE, its officers, directors, representatives, volunteers and affiliates harmless for any injury, damage, liabilities or other claims arising from Adopter's possession of the dog or from the activities of the dog while in the possession or care of Adopter.
13. In the event any provision of this contract, including all its covenants and conditions, is breached by Adopter, and/or any misrepresentations have been made by Adopter, GDRNE has the right to rescind this contract and Adopter shall return the dog to GDRNE. If Adopter fails to return the dog, GDRNE has the right to seek a court order for return of the dog and seek liquidated damages from Adopter in the amount of \$800 plus any court costs or attorney's fees. Payment of damages shall not excuse Adopter from returning the dog to GDRNE.
14. This agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon Adopter and GDRNE and their successors or beneficiaries. Both parties have fully read and understood all of the agreement, which sets forth all promises, conditions, and understandings, oral or written.

In testimony whereof, Adopter signs on this date:

Signatures:

Adopter Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

GDRNE Adoption Coordinator: _____



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