



*Rutherford County*  
**Pet Adoption & Welfare Services**

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### **R.C. PAWS Breed Rescue Requirements**

R.C. PAWS receives over 8500 animals a year. Of that number only a little over 19% are adopted or reclaimed. Due to the overwhelming amount of animals that we have to destroy on a daily basis we encourage rescue groups to assist us in the placement of our animals. The following guidelines will have to be met by any individual, group or organization wanting to take part in our breed rescue program.

An application has to be filled out on any and all animal/s adopted from our facility. Applicant/s must meet all qualifications and be approved.

The adoption fee is \$80.00 for unaltered animals-included in that fee is a \$32.00 voucher towards the spay/neuter that is accepted at all the Veterinarians in Rutherford County. The adoption fee for animals already altered is \$48.00.

Any animal/s adopted from R.C. PAWS will be sterilized before release.

Any animal that has previously bitten or exhibited aggressive and/or unpredictable behavior will not be adopted out.

R.C. PAWS will need to be provided with copies of your rescue's **(a)** adoption application **(b)** adoption guidelines and requirements **(c)** your 501C3 (if your organization has non-profit status) **(d)** at least three (3) references **(e)** contact information for your organization's veterinarian **(f)** contact information from any other shelter/s you have rescued from.

R.C. PAWS will make periodic unannounced visits to your home/facility (if housing animals adopted from us).

R.C. PAWS will require notification as to when, where and with whom your organization has placed the animal.

General public has first choice on all adoptable animals. Rescue groups will only be utilized in the event that R.C. PAWS has been unsuccessful at adopting out the animal and the animal is scheduled for euthanasia.

My signature below signifies that I have read, understand and am willing to abide by the guidelines listed above.

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Name/Organization

Date

## **RCPAWS Breed Rescue Questionnaire**

**Any individual or organization interested in participating in the RCPAWS rescue program must complete the following questionnaire and forms. After completion, the Director will review this information and an interview will be scheduled with applicant/s to discuss RCPAWS policies and requirements.**

- 1). Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 2). Your address and phone numbers (we require at least 2 phone numbers and a numeric address- P.O. Boxes will not be accepted) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 3). What is the name of your organization? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 4). Does your organization have non-profit status? \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 5). Where does your organization house animals before placement? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 6). How do you promote your services? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 7). Does your organization screen potential adopters? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, How?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 8). Does your organization have an application for adopters to fill out? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, we will need to be provided with a copy.
  
- 9). Does your organization follow-up on animals that have been adopted?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 10). What is the name of your veterinarian(s) and a contact number? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 11). What other animal shelters have you rescued from? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13). How many animals does your organization receive a month? \_\_\_\_\_

14). How many animals does your organization adopt out a month? \_\_\_\_\_

15). Does your organization charge an adoption fee? \_\_\_\_ How much? \_\_\_\_\_  
What is included in that fee? \_\_\_\_\_  
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16). Please list three (3) references:

Name	phone #	Years known
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