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FOSTER CARE AGREEMENT

The Cat Ranch Foster Care Program was created to place animals into approved foster situations prior to adoption. The Foster Care Program allows approved applicants to take an animal into their home until the animal is old enough or healthy enough to have all required shots and be spayed/neutered by a licensed veterinarian and/or become socialized into a home environment. At that point, the fostered animal will become available for public adoption.

In order to be accepted into this program, Foster Care Program applicants must sign the Foster Care Agreement, which requires compliance with all of the Foster Care Agreement terms and conditions. You must be over 18 years of age to participate in the Foster Care Agreement with The Cat Ranch.

I, _____, agree to provide temporary foster care for the following animal:

Name _____ Breed: _____
Color: _____ Gender: _____
Approximate age: _____

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND INITIAL EACH PARAGRAPH.

I understand and agree that:

1. The Cat Ranch has a strict policy that, if while in your care, medical appointments are necessary, all animals must be given shots, spayed or neutered at our preferred veterinary hospital. The Cat Ranch will facilitate all appointments. _____
2. I will, under NO circumstances, declaw this animal or have any medical procedures done without The Cat Ranch consent. _____
3. I understand and agree that during the length of this Foster Care Agreement, the animal currently named _____ will continue to keep this name for the duration of its foster term. It is important for record keeping, appointments, public information, etc. to refer to the animal by this name. _____



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4. The animal is and shall remain the sole property of The Cat Ranch during the foster term. _____

5. I will provide the animal with good care, including but not limited to, proper food, fresh water, shelter, exercise, grooming, training and medication when required. The Cat Ranch can assist with supplies if needed. _____

6. I will comply with all instructions received from The Cat Ranch and will not deviate from any instructions as to the care and maintenance of the animal without consulting with a representative of The Cat Ranch. _____

7. I agree to maintain the animal as my own household pet and companion. _____

8. I agree not to abandon, trade, give away, or sell the animal, nor is the animal to be used or sold for commercial use or research purposes. If I no longer desire or am unable to foster the animal within the terms of this agreement, the animal must be returned to The Cat Ranch. The animal is NEVER to be turned over to an animal shelter or passed to another owner. _____

9. I agree to keep the animal in my home and under my control and not let the animal roam freely outside of the home. _____

10. I will provide a safe and loving home environment and will socialize the animal to humans and other animals. _____

11. I agree to the following in regard to veterinary care:
 - A. I have been provided with veterinary records that show that the animal has received appropriate veterinary care to date and is in good health except for the medical conditions about which I have been informed. _____

 - B. If the animal needs medical attention, a member of The Cat Ranch must be contacted immediately and must approve all vet visits. Said visit must be with one of Rescue Cats Rock approved vets. If FOSTER takes foster pet to an unapproved vet for any reason, FOSTER agrees to be responsible for all medical bills incurred as a result of said unapproved vet visit except in cases of emergency when the animal's life may be in danger. _____



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C. The Cat Ranch will make arrangements for any shots and spay/neuter surgery and I agree that I will take this animal to its spay/neuter appointment and for any other necessary veterinary care as directed by The Cat Ranch unless other arrangements have been made by mutual agreement. _____

9. I give permission to The Cat Ranch to enter upon my premises at any time upon reasonable notice for the purpose of determining whether or not I am complying with this Agreement, and to remove the animal in the event that I violate the terms of this Agreement. _____

10. I understand that other animals in my household could be exposed to medical or behavioral conditions that have not been recognized in the foster animal placed with me by The Cat Ranch and that The Cat Ranch is not liable for any disease or injury of my own companion animals or other exposed animal. _____

11. I agree not to attempt to hold The Cat Ranch responsible for any damages which the animal may do to any person or property. I specifically release The Cat Ranch of any responsibility pertaining to any damage to property or personal injury or any occurrence relating to the animal and shall hold The Cat Ranch harmless regarding any damage or injury of any nature whatsoever, and agree to notify The Cat Ranch immediately of any damages and/or injury. _____

12. I will agree to vaccinate my own animals against the following diseases before fostering: Canines are immunized against Canine Distemper, Canine Parvovirus, Parainfluenza, Hepatitis (4-in-1 booster); Bordetella (kennel cough); and Rabies, and are free of parasites. Felines are immunized against Feline Panleukopenia, Rhinotracheitis, Calicivirus (3-in-1 booster), Feline Leukemia and Rabies, and are free of parasites. _____

13. I recognize this is an Agreement and have signed this Agreement freely and voluntarily. _____

Name of Responsible Party for Foster Care Agreement -Date

Rescue Cats Rock -Date



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10 WAYS TO BECOME A SUCCESSFUL FOSTER PARENT

1. Give your foster animal lots of attention and affection. The animal you are fostering likely has special needs that require time and energy. The animal may have lived a difficult life before coming to your home; your love and attention will help to heal the animal's physical and psychological wounds.
2. Learn as much as you can about pet care. Before you bring your foster animal home, learn as much as you can about caring for that animal. Read about feeding, grooming and training. Study the warning signs that may indicate the animal needs veterinary attention.
3. Be prepared to make a financial commitment. Before volunteering to foster an animal, find out from TCR what costs you will incur. TCR can help supply food and supplies.
4. Make your home pet-friendly. Before you bring your foster animal home, make sure you "pet proof" your home. For example, remove poisonous plants and protect furnishings. Keep the animal's room warm and comfortable. Also, take steps to prevent the animal from escaping.
5. Keep your pets up-to-date on their vaccinations. All animals should be current on the vaccinations that protect them from diseases. Before you bring home a foster animal, consult with your veterinarian to make sure your own animals have received the preventive treatment they need.
6. Keep foster animals away from your own pets for a while. Although all TCR animals are current on their vaccinations prior to being fostered, it is a good idea to wait awhile on integrating your new pet with other animals in the home. It will take awhile for them to socialize with one another.
7. Recognize your limits. Fostering requires a great deal of time and energy – both emotional and physical. Don't overextend yourself by fostering animals too frequently; you may burn yourself out.
8. Return the animal to TCR when requested. The Cat Ranch depends on you to make its program work. Be sure to return the animal to TCR at the scheduled time. If you decide to adopt an animal you foster, go through the normal adoption process. If a friend or relative wants to adopt the animal you are fostering, that person must go through the TCR adoption process – not yours.



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9. Understand that some foster animals may not survive. Despite your best efforts, the animal you foster may develop a severe illness that cannot be treated. Do the best you can to help the animal, but accept the fact that you cannot save them all. Fostering can be an incredibly rewarding experience so enjoy being a foster parent.

10. Enjoy your foster animal. He/she appreciates you taking them into your home and keeping them safe until they can find their forever home.