

Dog Caretaker Agreement

This Dog Caretaker Agreement is entered into between Buckeye Samoyed Rescue . (the “Rescue/we/us”), an Ohio non-profit corporation, and the undersigned (the “Caretaker” or “You”). In consideration of the mutual promises of this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, the Rescue and Caretaker agree to the following terms and conditions, intending to be legally bound.

1. **The Dog.** We are delivering the following described dog to you for temporary boarding and care for a reasonable period of time until a permanent home is found for the dog. (unless the dog is returned to us earlier as provided in Paragraph 7 below).

Name: _____ Sex: _____ Age: _____

Description: Purebred Samoyed, color: _____, weight: _____

2. **The Caretaker.** You will provide the Foster Care in your home at the address at the end of this Agreement. Your Foster Care for the dog will be comprised of providing the following: daily wholesome food and water, a clean grassy area for elimination, reasonable daily exercise comprised of either a walk, time at an off leash dog park or in a securely fenced yard, a warm safe place inside your home to sleep, transportation to vet, if necessary, administering medicine if necessary and socializing and playing. The dog may be crated for limited periods of time and to sleep at night but should not be crated excessively.

Things you cannot do with the Foster Dog:

- a. The dog is never to be chained or tied unsupervised.
- b. The dog will not be abused in any manner, either physical or mentally.
- c. The dog cannot be used in dog fighting or any kind of attack or guard training.
- d. The dog cannot be allowed to run loose.

If you are going to be absent from home for longer than 24 hours, the Rescue must be notified of what arrangements you have made for the care of the dog during that period.

The Caretaker states they have a reasonable knowledge about the proper care of dogs and more specifically, Samoyeds. The Caretaker agrees to be responsible for the proper supervision of the rescue dog while it is in their care. Should the rescue program suffer any damages or legal costs as a result of the negligent supervision of the rescue dog while in Caretaker, the Caretaker agrees to indemnify the rescue program for all such damages and costs.

3. **Veterinary Care.** You will provide appropriate veterinary care/vaccines for the foster dog according to standard veterinary practice based on current AAHA guidelines. You will notify us immediately of the dogs death and/or serious illness.
4. **Costs and Expenses.** The Rescue will pay all veterinary treatment costs that may be incurred for the dog during the Foster Care; provided, that we have given you prior approval by telephone or email for such treatments, except in the case of a medical emergency, in which case you will use your best judgment in the matter. You will give us the receipts from the veterinarian for the vet care and medicines. You agree to provide for the dog, while he is living with you, the following at your own expense: dog food, dog bed, food bowls, towels and blankets, crate.

You are providing the Foster Care out of your love for dogs, and as a volunteer, at no charge to the Rescue.

5. **No Liability.** You are not liable to us for any injuries to, illness or disappearance of the dog arising out of the Foster Care, except if any of these are caused by your negligence or intentional

misconduct. We are not liable for any bodily injury or property damage losses or injuries whatsoever to you or other persons, or to your or another person's animals and pets, caused by the actions, behavior or health of the Dog, or arising out of the Foster Care, except if such damage, losses or injuries are caused by our gross negligence or intentional misconduct. Caretaker agrees to notify Rescue immediately if they believe the temperament or behavior of the Dog is incompatible with the Foster Care environment.

The Caretaker must notify the rescue contact within 12 hours of any bite by the dog inflicted on a human or another animal not owned by the Caretaker.

The Caretaker agrees to allow inspection of the foster home and the conditions in which the rescue dog is living, at any reasonable time by a representative of the rescue program.

Should it be necessary to litigate in connection with any dispute concerning the care, treatment and/or custody of the dog under your care, the Caretaker agrees to pay all court costs and reasonable attorney fees. Any and all legal proceedings will occur in Cuyahoga County Ohio.

6. **Vaccinations.** We represent that the Dog is current on all vaccinations, including rabies.
7. **Returning the Dog.** You agree to contact us immediately by telephone in the event that you are no longer able or willing to foster the dog. You will continue to care for the dog for a reasonable period of time until we are able to come to your home to retrieve them, or until we can accept the return of the dog at our facilities. We will notify you by telephone and email when we wish to retrieve a dog, either for adoption or any other reason. You may not entrust the care of the dog to any other person or relocate the dog without the permission of the Rescue.
8. **Adoption by Caretaker.** In the event that you wish to adopt the dog you are fostering as a household pet for yourself, you must enter into our Adoption Agreement.
9. **Entire Agreement; Modifications; Binding Effect.** This agreement is the entire agreement between you and us. Any modification to this agreement must be in writing, signed by both you and us. This agreement binds you and your respective heirs executors, representatives, successors and assigns.

Dated _____

CARETAKER

RESCUE

Signature

Signature

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