

Keeping Cats Homed

FOSTERING AGREEMENT

CAT NAME: _____

I understand that fostering involves:

- ❖ A few days or months and can end at any time for any reason with notice to KCH.
- ❖ Socializing a cat for adoption or caring for a cat that is ready and waiting for adoption.
- ❖ Allowing a KCH representative to show the cat for adoption in my home with proper notice.
- ❖ Receiving authorization from KCH if I am to show the cat without them present.

I agree to make sure the foster cat receives:

- ❖ Comfortable, clean housing, and a safe INDOOR environment with NO access to the outdoors, including no patio access and screens have on all windows.
- ❖ Food (provided by KCH) and has fresh water available at all times.
- ❖ A clean litter box and litter (provided by KCH or donated by foster home).
- ❖ Cautious introduction to its new environment, other animals and people.
- ❖ Patience in becoming familiar with its unique personality.

I agree to contact KCH immediately by phone and/or email if I:

- ❖ Will be absent from the household and someone else will be in charge of the cat.
- ❖ Need to return the cat while temporarily unable to care for it or need to stop fostering indefinitely.
- ❖ Notice any change in the cat's behaviour, eating habits or appearance, or if it has been injured.
- ❖ Feel the cat may require vet care and understand KCH will take it to their vet and provide that.
- ❖ Need approval **in advance** for medical care I acquire on my own.
- ❖ Have lost the cat or it has escaped and I will make all attempts possible to locate it myself too.
- ❖ Need more food or litter or other supplies.
- ❖ Learn that one of my own animals in the household has a contagious disease or condition.

While fostering an animal for KCH, I agree to:

- ❖ Relinquish all custody claims and rights to ownership of the foster cat.
- ❖ Return the cat immediately at the request of an authorized KCH representative who will pick it up.
- ❖ Provide KCH access to my home and property, with short notice, to check on the cat's welfare.
- ❖ Not take the cat out of the house for any reason without notifying KCH.
- ❖ Not to travel with the cat without the permission of KCH.
- ❖ Have the cat in a carrier at any time it is out of the house, such as going to a vet.

KCH agrees to provide:

- ❖ Spaying/neutering of the animal before foster care placement or a plan to do this at an appropriate time.
- ❖ A vet check-up, basic shots, deworming, flea treatment, and necessary medical care before foster care.
- ❖ A period of observing the cat's behaviour and response to other animals/people before foster care.
- ❖ *If the cat goes directly to the foster home upon rescue it needs 10 days isolation from cats and children.*
- ❖ Food, bowls, litter box, litter, and more items when necessary.
- ❖ Frequent contact for by phone or emails for updates on the cat's progress in foster care.
- ❖ Support by visits to your home when necessary to help with care of the cat.

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I fully understand that KCH:

- ❖ Screens the cat to their best ability and will not place any cat with known unsound temperament.
- ❖ Has little or no knowledge of the rescued cat's background and cannot predict possible behaviour.
- ❖ Makes no representation, warranty or guarantee as to the health or disposition of any rescued cat.
- ❖ Will not place a cat known to bite but cannot guarantee that any cat will never bite.

If I would like to adopt the cat and provide a permanent home, I agree to:

- ❖ Notify KCH and follow standard adoption proceedings (see Adoption Application Form).
- ❖ Pay the standard adoption fee.
- ❖ Abide by the decision of KCH as to whether I meet adoption requirements.

By signing this Fostering Agreement:

- ❖ I release KCH and its authorized representatives from all liability for damages and injuries, including but not limited to any conditions resulting from bites or scratches to persons in the household or visiting the household or any damage to property that may occur as a result of fostering a cat for KCH.
- ❖ I agree that I have not, nor has any person living in or visiting my household, to the best of my knowledge, been charged with any form of animal abuse, neglect or cruelty.
- ❖ I further agree to not hold KCH liable for any spread of disease or infliction of injuries to other pets, either living in or visiting the household, that may result from fostering of the rescue animal.
- ❖ I agree to notify KCH of any behaviour problems of other animals in my household.
- ❖ I know that my own cats are FIV-negative and have no contagious illnesses.
- ❖ I agree to flea-treat my own animals in the household with Advantage or Revolution prior to bringing in a foster animal.
- ❖ I am responsible for injuries to the foster cat due to my negligence such as allowing a cat on a patio (forbidden) and the cat goes off the patio and sustains an injury.
- ❖ I agree that KCH may take the cat back into their possession at any time they may deem this necessary for any reason.

Foster Parent name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (home): _____ ***(work):*** _____

Email: _____

Emergency contact name and number for receiving message if not at home or work:

Name: _____ ***Phone Number:*** _____

Reference contact information:

Name: _____ ***Phone Number:*** _____

Signature of Foster Parent: _____ ***Date:*** _____

Signature of KCH representative: _____ ***Date:*** _____