

**JOYRIDES RESCUE
FOSTERING APPLICATION**

Our goal is to place pets in loving foster homes; all potential foster homes are screened for suitable placement of animals. Please complete this application and contract so Joyrides Rescue may assist you in finding a compatible companion to join your family as a foster. With this information, we, Joyrides Rescue, minimize the risk of a failed foster experience. WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ANY APPLICATION.

You must be at least 25 years of age to foster. **Please print clearly.**

Information on Applicant(s):

Name _____ Date _____

Driver's License No. _____ Date of Birth _____

Email _____

Address (include City and Zip Code) _____

Home phone _____ Work phone _____ Cell phone _____

Employer _____ What are your hours? _____

Spouse/Partner Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Spouse/Partner Email _____

Spouse/Partner Work phone (_____) _____ Cell phone (_____) _____

Spouse/Partner Employer _____ What are their hours? _____

**Release for Veterinary Reference: to be completed by potential foster if you have a current vet.
Please provide all information to help us identify the correct Veterinary Practice**

I, _____, hereby give permission for any veterinarian providing service to me to release medical information on any/all of my animals to Joyrides Rescue.

(signature of applicant)

Vet Clinic: _____ Vet Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Have you fostered before? _____ For which organization(s)? _____

What are your expectations? _____

What responsibilities, if any, are you **not** willing to accept? _____

Are you willing to commit to fostering the animal until it is adopted? _____

Do you understand that Joyrides Rescue is unable to project how long the animal may need to be fostered?

Information on Family & Home:

Do you live alone or with family? _____ Does **every** adult in the household agree to fostering this pet? _____

Does anyone in the household have allergies? _____ If so, are they allergic to animal dander? _____

Do you have children/grandchildren? _____ What ages? _____

Do they live in the household? _____ If they do not live with you, how often do they visit? _____

Will any of your children be responsible for caring for your foster pet? _____

Do you own or rent? _____ House or apartment? _____ If renting, how long at this location? _____

If renting, does your lease allow pets? _____ Breed or weight restrictions? _____

Pet deposit? _____ (We will need confirmation of payment of any required pet deposit.)

Rental manager's name and phone number _____

Apartment Complex Name (if applicable) _____

Do you have a fenced yard? _____ What type of fence and how high? _____

Do you have any Sago Palms? _____ If yes, are you willing to remove these plants which are highly toxic to dogs? _____

How many pets do you current have in your household? Please provide the age, sex and breed of each.

Are these pets spayed/neutered? _____

Are these pets current on all vaccinations and on heartworm preventative? _____

Are you able to keep the foster pet separated from your personal pets if necessary? _____

Information on Lifestyle:

Do you have any trips planned or do you expect houseguests in the next 30 days? _____

Do you or your spouse/partner travel frequently? _____ If so, how often? _____

Rescued animals need time to adjust to new environments. How long do you feel is a fair amount of time for the foster to take to settle into your home/family? _____

Please describe your definition of an aggressive pet _____

What do you consider valid reasons for returning a foster pet? Please mark all that apply:

- Shedding Barking Pet Anxiety Allergies New Job
- Pet illness Soiling in house/urine marking Protective behavior Shy behavior
- Foster pet not getting along with current pet Destructive (digging/chewing) Too time consuming
- Behavior Problems (please describe _____)
- Other _____

Information on Pet Care and Experience with dogs:

How long would the foster pet be left alone? _____

Where will the foster pet stay during the day? _____

Where will the foster pet sleep? _____

How would you reprimand your foster pet for mischievous behavior? _____

Do you have a pet door? _____ How will you handle the foster pet's potty needs? _____

How will you exercise the foster pet? _____

How many years have you been involved with dogs? _____

Have you ever been bitten or attacked by a dog? (If yes, please explain) _____

Are you comfortable approaching dogs that you do not know? (If no, please explain) _____

Are you willing to assume the risks involved with working with animals that are sometimes frightened and in unfamiliar surroundings may become aggressive? (If no, please explain) _____

Do you have the experience to handle dogs with severe behavioral problems (such as aggression, separation anxiety, fear biting, etc.)? (If yes, please explain) _____

Please check the areas of evaluation you are able to provide to help your foster pet a compatible forever home:

- General temperament for ordinary household
- Suitability for placement in a home with children ten or older
- Suitability for placement with children younger than ten ____ Toddlers ____ Infants ____
- Suitability for placement in a home with other dogs ____ cats ____
- Reaction to a variety of experiences (e.g. meeting strangers, riding in the car, etc)
- Suitability for dog sports / activity level needs
- Other (please explain) _____

Please check the level of training you are able to provide:

- Socialization (exposing dogs to other dogs, small animals, children, strangers, a variety of experiences, etc.)
- Housetraining
- Basic training (including sit, down, stay, and heel)
- More advanced training (such as for a sport, obedience, herding)
- Crate training
- Walking on a lead

Do you understand that Joyrides Rescue is unable to confirm if the pet is fully potty trained or not? _____

Are you willing to potty train your foster pet to increase the adopt-ability? _____

Do you understand that new foster pets are prone to escaping, even from backyards? _____

Will you be able to keep your foster pet indoors at all times unless you are outside with the animal? _____

Do you understand and agree that adoption of your foster pet MUST go through Joyrides Rescue's adoption process and may not be placed solely by you? _____

Do you agree that if you do find a possible permanent home for your foster pet, you will contact Joyrides Rescue so that a Joyrides Rescue representative can contact the potential adopter? _____

FOSTER AGREEMENT

A BINDING AGREEMENT made as of the date set forth above. WHEREAS, Foster Parent(s) (“Foster”) wishes to take temporary custody of Foster Pet(s):

FOSTER promises, covenants and agrees:

- ___ 1. **to never sell, trade, or give away this pet to anyone. I will never relinquish this pet to any shelter or pound, whether “no-kill” or otherwise. I will notify JOYRIDES RESCUE if I am unable or unwilling to keep this pet for any reason, and I will return this pet to JOYRIDES RESCUE after arrangements have been made for such return.**
- ___ 2. **to immediately notify JOYRIDES RESCUE if this pet is lost or stolen.**
- ___ 3. To not alter the Pet’s appearance in any way, shape or form (ex: cropping, docking, declawing); to not breed the Pet prior to spay/neuter surgery. Foster agrees this Pet will not be abused in any manner. Pet shall not be used in any aspect of animal fighting.
- ___ 4. to be available for meet and greets with potential adopters. Foster permits Joyrides Rescue to visit at reasonable convenient times to check on the well being of the Pet.
- ___ 5. to immediately notify JOYRIDES RESCUE of any Pet health or behavior issues.
- ___ 6. to keep the Pet primarily indoors, interacting with my family, and not to be banished to the back yard. I will never tie Pet to a chain or rope or leave him/her unattended for long periods. The Pet will be exercised in a fenced yard or on a leash, and not be allowed to roam the streets.
- ___ 7. to keep a Collar and JOYRIDES RESCUE ID tags on the Pet at all times. Cats will only wear a breakaway collar specifically designed for cats. Cats will be indoors at all times.
- ___ 8. that adoption of Pet MUST go through Joyrides Rescue’s adoption process and may not be placed solely by Foster Parent(s)
- ___ 9. THAT JOYRIDES RESCUE DOES NOT MAKE ANY GUARANTEES REGARDING THE AGE, NATURE, TEMPERAMENT, OR HEALTH OF THIS PET.
- ___ 10. that if I fail to fully and timely comply with the terms of this contract, I will, voluntarily, immediately Release possession and control of this pet back to JOYRIDES RESCUE, and if I fail to do so, JOYRIDES RESCUE will be entitled to enforce specific performance of this contract in addition to any other legal remedy available to JOYRIDES RESCUE.
- ___ 11. that all information in the Foster Application is true, complete and correct and agree that any false or misleading statement thereon will constitute a breach of this contract.
- ___ 12. that this Agreement shall pertain to any and all future Foster Pet(s).
- ___ 13. that this Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas; and
- ___ 14. that any disputes between the parties to this Agreement concerning the subject matter of this Agreement shall be submitted for resolution to the courts of Harris County, Texas.
- ___ 15. I am at least 25 years of age.
- ___ 16. Special provisions of this contract, if any, are as follows: _____

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In Consideration of being permitted to foster an animal from Joyrides Rescue in Harris County, Texas, EACH OF THE UNDERSIGNED, for himself/herself, his personal representative, heirs, next of kin, invitees, and/or guests:

1. Acknowledges, agrees, and represents that he/she is aware of and assumes the many risks associated with being around animals, including but not limited to the risks of being bitten scratched, jumped upon, knocked over, chased, tripped, infected with a disease, or otherwise injured or frightened, as well as the risks of damage to personal property and that Joyrides Rescue cannot guarantee me or anyone else what type of temperament the animal(s) I am fostering may have, and that I am not an agent Joyrides Rescue, and that I hereby accept responsibility for the animal(s) in my care.
2. HEREBY RELEASES, WAIVES, DISCHARGES, and COVENANTS NOT TO SUE Joyrides Rescue, its employees, agents, members, directors, officers, or any affiliated entities thereof, FROM ALL LIABILITY TO THE UNDERSIGNED, his personal representative, assigns, heirs, next of kin, guests, and/or invitees FOR ANY AND ALL LOSS OR DAMAGE, AND ANY CLAIM OR DEMANDS THEREFORE ON ACCOUNT OF INJURY TO THE PERSON OR PROERTY OR RESULTING IN DEATH OF THE UNDERSIGNED OR ANYONE ELSE ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE FOSTERING OF AN ANIMAL FROM JOYRIDES RESCUE.
3. HEREBY AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS Joyrides Rescue, its employees, agents, members, directors, officers, or any affiliated entities thereof, from ANY LOSS, LIABILITY, DAMAGE, OR COST INCLUDING BODILY INJURY OR POPERTY DAMAGE ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE FOSTERING OF AN ANIMAL FROM JOYRIDES RESCUE.
4. HEREBY ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE FOSTERING OF AN ANIMAL FROM JOYRIDES RESCUE.
5. HEREBY agrees that this Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement extends to all acts of negligence Joyrides Rescue, its employees, agents, members, directors, officers, or any affiliated entities thereof, and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of Texas and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

My signature below affirms that I have read and agree to all the above conditions:

SIGNED, this _____ day of _____
(month / year)

Signature of Foster(s)

Signature of Joyrides Rescue Representative

Signature of Fosters(s)