



Greater Chicago Cavalier Rescue

FOSTER HOME AGREEMENT

Purpose of Fostering: To allow a rescued dog to live in a home environment while awaiting permanent placement, permitting the Foster Family to fully evaluate the animal, both physically and emotionally. A home environment is not only a lot less stressful on the animal than a Boarding facility and a lot less expensive for the club. The additional exposure the animal gets from being treated as "one of the family" allows better evaluation of the individual dog's suitability for permanent placement.

The GCCR considers Foster Families to be essential to the welfare and proper placement of our rescued Cavaliers and wishes the experience to be enjoyable and free from misunderstandings.

1. The person(s) agreeing to foster the animal will follow all relevant procedures and guidelines in the GCCR's policy regarding the animal described below, and will make no decisions or actions regarding the animal's veterinary care (including euthanasia) or placement without prior approval from the Rescue Coordinator.
2. The Foster Family will be reimbursed from the GCCR Fund for the following foster-related expenses resulting from the care of the animal:
 - Any shelter or boarding fees, initial veterinary examination, blood and fecal tests per current GCCR policy, and necessary vaccinations, spaying/neutering, and any other previously approved veterinary care, testing or treatment
 - Good quality dog food (up to a maximum of 20 lbs at a time)
 - Micro chipping
 - A leash and collar with identification (if not already supplied)
 - Training classes or consultation, with prior approval, if necessary to evaluate a dog or increase its adoptability
 - Professional grooming, if required

**Any other reasonable and necessary expenditures not resulting from excessive carelessness, abuse or neglect on the part of the Foster Family will be reimbursed only with the approval of the Rescue Coordinator. The Foster Family agrees to make every effort to keep expenses billed to the GCCR as reasonable as possible, including requesting Rescue discounts and taking advantage of coupons and sales.*

3. The Foster Family shall provide the animal with humane care and maintain it in accordance with all current state, county and municipal laws and ordinances while the animal resides with the Foster Family.
4. The Foster Family shall provide the animal with a fully fenced yard or other humane means of exercise. The animal shall not be kept constantly chained or constantly outdoors.

5. The Foster Family shall treat the animal as a household pet and member of the family and shall never use it for breeding.
6. The Foster Family agrees to provide the animal entrusted to its care with adequate food, water, shelter, affection, socialization, exercise and medical care as they would their own dogs. The Foster Family also agrees to provide any basic training or treatment necessary to the well-being of the animal and to help increase its adoptability.
7. If the animal cannot be kept by the Foster Family, the Foster Family shall notify the Rescue Coordinator immediately. The animal shall not be sold, abandoned, relinquished to a pound or shelter or to a rescue group other than the GCCR, transferred or given to any individual or to any retail or wholesale establishment for the purpose of sale or resale to the public, nor to any research institution where medical experimentation or other practices take place.
8. The Foster Family understands that the GCCR and its representatives have limited information regarding the temperament and habits of the animal described below. The Foster Family will take all reasonable precautions (through the use of crates, leashes, supervision, and common sense) to ensure that the animal does not run loose, become a nuisance, destroy property, injure or be injured by another animal, or injure or be injured by any person or persons.
9. The Foster Family does hereby release, discharge, and hold harmless the GCCR and any person, firm, or corporation charged or chargeable with liability, their heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns, from any and all claims, damages, costs, expenses, loss of services, actions, and causes of actions, whether known or unknown, belonging to the said Foster Family due to any action or occurrence from the date of this agreement arising out of or in connection with the fostering of the animal described below, except for those expenses specifically described in this document.
10. The animal remains the property of the GCCR and can be removed from the Foster Family by the Rescue Coordinator or designee at any time and without any prior notice.
11. The Foster Family agrees to be courteous, helpful, and honest to potential Adopter and to fully cooperate in accommodating those who wish to see the animal. The Foster Family will provide the Rescue Coordinator with a fair assessment of the dog's interaction with the potential Adopter and their impression of the likely success of such a placement.
12. In the event that the Foster Family wishes to permanently adopt the animal described below, the Rescue Coordinator must approve such adoption, and an Adoption Contract must be signed and submitted along with the recommended minimum donation.
13. The Foster Family agrees to pay the GCCR any and all expenses, including court costs and reasonable attorney fees, in enforcing the terms and provisions of this agreement.

The undersigned Foster Family hereby acknowledges having read the terms of this Agreement and does hereby agree to abide by each of the rules of fostering set forth above.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Witness: _____ Date: _____

Co-Signed: _____ Date: _____

Witness: _____ Date: _____

Name: (Printed) _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip code: _____

Telephones (at least one): Home _____ Work _____

Cell _____

E-mail: _____

Information on the dog (to be completed by the Rescue Coordinator)

Dog's call name: _____

Color: Blenheim Tri Black/Tan Ruby Rescue # _____

Sex: Male Female Altered: Yes No

Age or DOB if known: _____

If the dog is registered, registered name:

Registry: AKC CKCSC, USA UKC FIC Unknown

Registry #: _____

Registration certificate provided: Yes No

Micro chip: Yes No Number: _____