

ADOPTION COMMITMENT

THERE ARE NO REFUNDS OF ADOPTION FEES FOR ANY ADOPTED ANIMAL, REGARDLESS OF CAUSE.

- 🐾 I agree to provide proper care for the animal from this time forward and assume all rights and responsibilities associated with pet ownership. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - Providing proper nutrition, exercise, shelter, and training
 - Providing further veterinary care, regardless of the cause, including taking the animal to the free veterinary exam, within 10 days of the adoption
 - Purchasing an annual license if my city, municipality or district requires it
 - Keeping the animal's microchip information current
- 🐾 I understand the Edmonton Humane Society (EHS) will not knowingly adopt out an animal with health or behaviour concerns that have not been revealed to me and that they cannot guarantee the breed, age, behavior or health of any animal once adopted.
- 🐾 I hereby accept the animal as is, assume all risks and responsibilities associated with pet ownership, including bites, and release the Edmonton Humane Society and all persons previously involved with the animal from any responsibility to the animal, my family, or myself.
- 🐾 I understand that an application for exchange may be made within 10 days of returning an animal to the EHS or within 10 days of the death of the animal. The decision to grant an exchange is at the sole discretion of the EHS and will be granted for behaviour, medical, or circumstantial reasons. An exchange will not be granted:
 - If you have had the animal longer than 30 days
 - If the animal is lost or stolen
 - The same day an animal is returned
- 🐾 I understand that particular contagious diseases are more common in animals adopted from an animal shelter, such as "kennel cough" or upper respiratory infections. Within 10 days of adopting, should my animal become seriously ill with a contagious disease contracted at the shelter, I may return the animal to the Edmonton Humane Society. Upon being returned, the animal would become the property of the Edmonton Humane Society but I would be given first choice to adopt the animal once recovered or I would get an exchange to adopt a different animal.
- 🐾 If there is a concern with a spay or neuter incision, I can contact the Edmonton Humane Society.
- 🐾 If my animal is treated by my own veterinarian, the Edmonton Humane Society will not reimburse any costs. Should my animal become seriously ill within 30 days, I will inform the Edmonton Humane Society of the animal's diagnosis.
- 🐾 I understand that once I adopt an animal, I become the legal owner of that animal. As per the ABVMA, the Edmonton Humane Society is not permitted to provide medical treatment to any owned animal once adopted.
- 🐾 I understand that my information will be used internally by the EHS Fund Development Department for the purposes of communication and fundraising and will **not** be released to any third parties other than:
 - The microchip company (EIDAP) for identification purposes
 - Pet Plan Insurance for my 30 day free trial of insurance coverage
 - The participating veterinary clinic of my choice for my free veterinary exam
 - The City of Edmonton or Strathcona County for licensing purposes
 - Royal Canin for registration of my adoption package

The EHS will accept the animal back for any reason and encourage you to consider this rather than going to the general public in finding a new home. However, you will have to pay regular EHS surrender fees after owning the animal for 30 days.

By signing this agreement, you hereby release the Edmonton Humane Society, its employees and agents from any liability and claim that you have, whether known or unknown, now or in the future, in connection with your adoption, ownership and disposal of any animal adopted from the Edmonton Humane Society.

I am of legal age and have read, understood, and agreed to the above.

Print Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Date: _____ **EHS Witness:** _____

STAFF USE ONLY

Person ID: _____