

FRIENDS OF CASTAWAY COMPANIONS ANIMAL SHELTER

Friends of Castaway Companions Animal Shelter (FOCCAS) is a tax-exempt, non-profit, charitable organization (501c3). Our mission is to find homes for adoptable pets, thereby lowering the number of homeless pets in our community. We also educate the public on the need to sterilize their pets, as well as other companion pet care issues.

We work with pets from a variety of sources, including (but not limited to): Animal shelters, rescue groups and private parties. We make a reasonable attempt to determine the health status of every pet we offer for adoption. We verify the vaccination & sterilization status of the pet; we will provide you with a veterinary record at the time of adoption. We vaccinate and /or sterilize each pet, as necessary. We will not knowingly offer for adoption a pet that has a medical issue, without disclosing the issue to the potential adopter. Because your pet may have been, at some time, a resident of an animal control shelter, **FOCCAS doesn't offer any warranty, expressed or implied as to the health or longevity of your pet.** Pets coming into an animal shelter are at various stages of health and/or disease; many are not current on routine vaccinations. We highly recommend that you take your pet to the veterinarian of your choice for a complete examination.

If you have made your best effort to integrate your new pet into your home, but the adoption simply is not working out – we suggest the following: Since FOCCAS does not currently maintain a shelter of its own, we recommend you take your pet to a humane animal shelter or rescue group. Your pet will have a better chance to find an appropriate home through one of these organizations, versus a municipal animal control shelter or pound. Any “turn-in” or “surrender” fees will be your responsibility. **If you should need to ask for a refund of your adoption fee – FOCCAS reserves the right to delay making a refund to you until we can find another home for the pet you adopted.**

Your signature verifies that you have given due consideration to adopting the dog specified above. You will provide adequate food, water, shelter and activity for this dog. Your signature also signifies that you have assumed all responsibilities attendant to owning this dog, including liability for any damage or injury that this dog may cause from this day forward, while under your ownership. **IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS ADOPTION - ASK THEM NOW. FOCCAS wants adoptive owners to make informed decisions.**

I certify that all information I have provided in this application and contract is true and understand that false information may void this application and contract. I also understand that failure to comply with conditions set forth in the adoption contract could result in the refusal of future adoptions from Friends of the Castaway Companions Animal Shelter.

RETURNED CHECKS – If your personal check is returned to us by your bank, for any reason, we will send you a notification by mail. The notice will require you to make full payment (**including a \$25.00 returned check fee**) to us by cash, money order or cashiers check, within ten (10) days of receiving the notification. If you fail to make full payment within ten (10) days, your returned check will be filed with the local district attorney office for prosecution.

Signature _____ Date _____