

GSP Rescue of North Texas Foster Agreement

1. Veterinary Care of Your Foster GSP

- 1.1. Your foster GSP should be current on his/her vaccinations at all times. You should retain a copy of your foster dog's vaccinations with your Pro Plan Adoption Packet. Please inform your Area Rescue Coordinator should those vaccinations require updating. Your Area Coordinator will try to maintain all vaccinations current, but your help is greatly appreciated!
- 1.2. Your GSP will be current on his vaccinations, heartworm tested and on heartworm preventative, and altered when you receive him, unless GSPRNTX indicates otherwise.
- 1.3. Any pre-approved vet expenses will be paid directly or reimbursed by the rescue. You should not schedule veterinary care for your foster without prior GSPRNTX approval, unless it is an emergency. In emergency situations, you should contact GSPRNTX, and if unable to reach a representative, limit your veterinary expenses to an amount not to exceed **\$200**.
- 1.4. GSPRNTX will provide you with heartworm prevention to be administered to your GSP monthly.
- 1.5. GSPRNTX will provide you with a list of approved veterinarians. These are the vets through which any approved vet work should be completed.

2. Food, Water, Shelter

- 2.1. Food is to be provided by the foster family. GSPRNTX recommends feeding premium dry food, preferably Pro Plan Chicken and Rice, Adult. Pro Plan provides GSPRNTX with food for our intake dogs free of charge; however, we can supply a small amount of Pro Plan for use if you wish to transition your foster dog to another food. GSPRNTX promotes the feeding of Pro Plan to fostered and adopted dogs, because we agreed to do so when we accepted food from Pro Plan free of charge. We also believe that it is a quality diet appropriate for most of our dogs.
 - 2.1.1. Please encourage adopters to feed Pro Plan or another premium dry food after adoption. Many adopters feed lower quality food but are happy to feed a recommended higher quality of food. Your Area Coordinator or any Board Member will be happy to discuss alternatives to Pro Plan if that is not a food the adopter wishes to feed.
 - 2.1.2. Many adopters do not understand what "good weight" for a GSP is. Please explain this briefly to an adopter, so that they can keep their adopted GSP in good weight.
- 2.2. You must provide fresh water for your GSP at all times. GSPs are a very active breed and can consume large quantities of water when very active or in hot weather.

- 2.3. You must provide shelter for your GSP when outdoors. We also strongly recommend crating your foster when unattended indoors. GSPRNTX will not be held liable for damage to your home or property by a foster dog. Additionally, some GSPRNTX dogs cannot be left outdoors unattended. Your Area Coordinator will inform you if your foster dog is one of these dogs.

3. Adoption Process

- 3.1. Only approved adopters may schedule appointments to meet your foster dog. You will be informed as to the identity of approved adopters. It is at the foster home's discretion to determine the meeting place and time of the appointment with an approved applicant. If you are uncomfortable meeting in your home, GSPRNTX is happy to provide suggestions for alternative meeting points.
- 3.2. If an approved applicant chooses to adopt the dog, he may adopt the dog that day unless your Area Coordinator informs you otherwise.
- 3.3. In order to adopt a GSPRNTX dog, the applicant must leave both a check for the full adoption amount and an executed (signed) contract with you. Additionally, you should give the adopter your foster dog's Adoption Packet which should include: a copy of the completed contract, copies of your foster dog's veterinary records, and a copy of "You and Your GSP." You should also have the adopter complete the microchip registration form. Give the adopter the yellow (owner) copy and keep the white and pink copies.
- 3.4. Should the applicant have questions or concerns you are unable or uncomfortable answering, please direct the applicant to your Area Coordinator or a Board Member.
- 3.5. You, as the foster, have the final determination in adopting your foster GSP. If you do not believe the applicant is a good match (either after viewing the application or after meeting the applicant), let us know and we will inform the applicant that a better match can be found.

I agree to abide by the guidelines above.

Foster Signature

Date

Printed Name

Area Coordinator