



Second Chances Rescue, Inc Foster Manual and Agreement

Intake

- All dogs must be vaccinated and heart worm tested within 48 hours of being in a foster home if we are unable to have it done prior to entering the foster home.
- Foster dogs should be kept separate from resident dogs to the best of the foster's ability for 7-10 days. Ideally, if the dog can be kept on another floor of the home, in another room, or crated if needed, until a proper introduction with the resident animals can be done.
- After the foster dog has some time to decompress, a proper introduction may be done. A pack walk is the best way to do this, with the dogs meeting on neutral territory, going on a walk together and not allowed nose to nose sniffing at first, ensures the best chance for the foster and resident dogs to acclimate to each other peacefully.
- We never recommend allowing resident dogs and foster dogs to be alone, unsupervised.

Vet Care

Second Chances Rescue will cover all medical costs of their foster dogs through approved veterinary hospitals and clinics. All vet appointments and procedures must be approved beforehand as we work with a tight budget and want to ensure that all of our dogs receive proper medical care. We typically use PAWS and EMANCIPET for vaccines and wellness exams, we use Philadelphia Animal Hospital and PAWS for non-urgent matters (they give us a 20% rescue discount) and Upenn for all emergencies. If you believe your foster is having a true medical emergency, please contact Christopher (267-240-6515), or Marie (267-528-5000) for instructions. If we are unable to answer the phone and the dog is in dire distress, please do not hesitate to bring the dog to Upenn.

If you choose to go to your own vet, or do not get authorization for an appointment, you may be financially liable for that appointment.

General Care

- Foster dogs may not be off leash when out of the home, for any reason. For liability reasons, this even includes dog parks.
- Please ensure that all medications, cleaning supplies, trash cans, socks and small chewable items are kept out of reach from the foster dog.
- No unaltered dogs are to be allowed around other unaltered males or females.
- Please do not feed your foster dog any people food.
- If, for some reason, you are unable to keep your foster dog, we ask for 72 hours' notice to make other accommodations. Please remember that we are a foster based rescue without a facility, and do not always have an immediate home to replace a dog.
- If a dog causes any bodily harm, damage to property or harm to another animal, we must be notified immediately, so that the dog may be removed from the situation for the safety of all involved.
- All foster dogs must wear a Second Chances Rescue dog tag at all times.
- All supplies must be returned to Second Chances Rescue when foster is done fostering.

Potential Adopters

- SCR will process and complete the applications for any interested adopter. After a complete home inspection is done and references are checked, the potential adopter will be given your contact information to set up a meet with the foster dog and any resident animals they have.
- We suggest meeting any potential adopters in a public place close to your home, such as a park.
- Ensure the safety of the foster dog at all times, be vigilant of cues and body language.
- Do not allow leashes to get tangled, do not unleash the dog.
- If you feel as though the foster dog is unsafe, you may cancel the meet at ANY time.
- We have selected you to be a foster family because we trust your judgment and instincts to do what is best for the dog. If the meet goes well, the adopter can come back for the dog after they make payment and submit the adoption contract to Second Chances Rescue.



Second Chances Rescue, Inc
Release of Liability Foster Agreement

FOSTER HOME GUIDELINES, RESPONSIBILITIES, and RELEASE OF LIABILITY
Second Chances Rescue

Email: Secondchancesrescueinc@gmail.com

This document provides for the release of liability of Second Chances Rescue, Inc. (SCR) and its volunteers on account of the actions of any dog of any breed, which has been released into the ownership of SCR and placed into the care of a Foster Care Provider (“any fostered dog”).

I, _____ the Foster Care Provider named above on the date _____, understand that SCR and its volunteers cannot guarantee actions or disposition of any fostered dog placed into Foster Care with me. I understand that although reasonable effort has been made to assess the disposition of each dog released to SCR beforehand but, being living animals, they may act unpredictably in any given situation, and that I must take necessary precautions to prevent accidents and guard against unpredicted actions by any fostered dog in my care. I will not hold SCR liable for any bodily or property damage done by the foster dog. I promise to take adequate care of any fostered dog in my care by providing nutritious food, plentiful water, and adequate shelter, as well as control of external parasites (fleas and ticks). I promise to notify SCR if any fostered dog in my care is in need of veterinary care such as vaccinations or routine testing or preventive or treatment for illness. At no time will I allow any fostered dog to be a nuisance to people or other animals. I promise to keep any fostered dog in my care safely confined in a fenced yard or kennel run or inside a house or garage when the dog is not with me or a member of my family. I promise that at no time will any foster dog be placed outside on a tie-out (in a yard, in front of café, store etc.) I promise that when off of my property, any fostered dog will be kept on a leash at all times unless I have approval from a senior SCR member. In that case the dog can only be off leash in a safely enclosed dog play area. I understand that fostering a dog for SCR is not the same as adopting a dog, and that any fostered dog must be made available to Prospective Adoptive Owners referred by SCR for viewing for possible permanent Adoption. If I wish to adopt any fostered dog, I understand I must complete an Adoption Application and be responsible for the donation requested at the time of adoption. If I find a prospective adopter for my foster dog, I will contact SCR and I promise not to give the dog over to anyone until an adoption has been approved and an agreement has been signed.

Signature,
Responsible Party (“Foster Care Provider”)

Printed Name

Address City/State/Zip code

Telephones

Email addresses

Signature
