



OKINAWAN-AMERICAN ANIMAL RESCUE SOCIETY

*DOG ADOPTION
CONTRACT*

Name of Dog:

Age:

Sex:

Photo at time of adoption

Description (Breed, Color):

Microchip #:

Name of New Owner:

Physical Address:

PSC Address:

Phone:

Email:

Date of Rotation:

Branch of Service/Unit/Command:

Reference/Employer's name:

I have considered this dog from Okinawa, Japan, and wish to adopt him/her into my home. I agree to the following conditions (please initial after each of the following paragraphs):

- 1) When I permanently depart or PCS from Okinawa, I agree to take the dog with me to my next location. At that time, I agree to notify OAARS with my flight confirmation and itinerary. I realize that I will need a health certificate and Rabies certificate for travel. If I am moving/PCSing to Hawaii, England or Guam, I may need to prepare for my dog's travel requirements seven (7) months in advance of departure.

- 2) I agree to provide the dog with a loving and permanent home for the remainder of his/her natural years, with in-house sleeping privileges, proper exercise, a balanced diet, necessary grooming, as well as all necessary veterinary medical and preventative care (including regular check-ups, up-to-date immunizations, and preventative medicine for heartworms, fleas, and ticks). It is my responsibility to maintain this animal's physical and emotional well-being.
- 3) When exercising the dog, I will restrain him/her within a fenced area or on a suitable long line or leash. I understand that the dog is not to run loose, or otherwise be a nuisance to the neighborhood in

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violation of applicable Military, U.S., and Japanese law. I agree to restrict pet's movements to my quarters or fenced in yard or otherwise ensure the dog remains under direct adult control and remains within the boundaries of my residence. I will at all times maintain the dog on a leash in areas outside the boundaries of my residence, to include walking, running, or cycling.

- 4) I will take the dog to a licensed veterinarian of my choosing for examination and administration of necessary vaccinations as and when they become due. I will also ensure that the dog wears a current rabies tag affixed to the dog's collar and that the collar is worn by the dog at all times.
- 5) I agree to have the dog spayed/neutered by a licensed veterinarian no later than 60 days from this date (provided that the dog is old enough for the surgery). I do not currently own any dogs that are not spayed or neutered (provided that the dog is old enough for the surgery).
- 6) I will keep identifying tags on the dog at all times, including my name, address and phone number. I will also write this information on at least one side of the dog's collar in permanent marker.
- 7) I agree to notify OAARS (at one of the contacts below) immediately if the dog becomes lost, stolen, or if he/she passes away. I agree to make a serious effort to find the dog if he/she becomes lost, by immediately (a) filing lost reports with the local police, animal control authorities, animal shelters, and local veterinarians, (b) posting lost dog signs, and (c) contacting OAARS.
- 8) I agree not to give or sell the dog to any other person, organization, research facility, or shelter.
- 9) I agree never to breed *any* animal adopted through OAARS.
- 10) I agree never to abuse the dog through physical aggression or mistreatment, emotional neglect, or by withholding food, water or veterinary care. I understand that taunting or teasing of the dog is forbidden. I understand that I must properly care for the dog by providing adequate food, water and shelter, including shade and protection from the elements. I further understand that failure to comply with this provision may be a violation of applicable Military, U.S., and Japanese laws.
- 11) I agree that the dog will not be used for any inhumane, immoral, or illegal purposes. For example, this animal will not be used for guard dog or dog fighting purposes.
- 12) I will allow an OAARS Board Member or Coordinator to examine and inquire about the dog at any time, and I will relinquish this dog without recourse immediately should I violate the preceding conditions. In such case, OAARS has the right to take back possession of the animal without compensating me, the owner.
- 13) After adoption, if any problems arise, I will work with OAARS to solve the issue. If after a reasonable amount of time, the problems have not been resolved, I will return the dog to OAARS.
- 14) After adoption, I will notify OAARS of the animal's condition, will provide a current photo, and will advise OAARS of any changes to my contact information (address & phone number) per the following schedule:
 - i. 1st Notification: 6 months after adoption
 - ii. 2nd Notification: 12 months after adoption (and annually thereafter)

Furthermore, I understand and agree that OAARS cannot guarantee the health, temperament, training or suitability of this animal for any particular purpose. I understand that I may contact OAARS at any time should I have questions about this dog, including but not limited to his/her care, training and behavior.

By my signature, I signify that I have read these stipulations, have received a copy, and I understand and accept the rights and obligations involved in taking this dog into my life. I understand that the contract provisions are designed to safeguard both the animal and/or the community. I intend to be legally bound by this agreement under applicable Military, U.S., and Japanese laws, and understand that OAARS may seek enforcement of this contract through any applicable court, administrative agency, or other office having authority over such matters. I further understand that OAARS will contact my Unit or Command (if applicable) in the event of a breach of this contract.

(Signature of new owner)

(Date)

(Signature of OAARS Board or Coordinator)

(Date)

OAARS Contact Information:

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NOTE: All parties must sign three copies of this contract to be retained by each of the following parties: (1) Adopter; (2) Foster Family; and (3) OAARS Adoption Coordinator.