## CITY OF LUFKIN ANIMAL CONTROL/KURTH MEMORIAL ANIMAL SHELTER 1901 HILL ST, LUFKIN, TX 75904 936-633-0218

## **ANIMAL ADOPTION CONTRACT**

Animals adopted from The City Of Lufkin Animal Control/Kurth Memorial Animal Shelter are adopted for household pets and companions only and are not allowed to be used for any other purpose or for experimentation or research.

 1.	I agree to give this animal proper and humane care consisting of sufficient food, water, shelter, exercise and all other necessities for its
	lifetime.

- 2. I agree to provide this animal with veterinary care, at my own expense, on a regular basis for its lifetime.
- 3. I agree to provide this animal with veterinary care, at my own expense, if the animal becomes ill or injured.
- 4. I agree to comply with all city, state, and federal laws relating to animals.
- 5. I agree to allow the City of Lufkin Animal Control to review the animal's home at any reasonable time and to remove this animal, without any notice to me, from my home or premises if the home is unsuitable or if the animal has been mistreated or neglected in any way or I do not comply with these terms. In the event the animal is removed, the adoption fee will not be refunded. By law, a person may not prevent, obstruct or interfere with the reclamation of an animal adopted under these guidelines.
- 6. I agree to never sell or give away this animal without notifying City of Lufkin Animal Control of the new owner's name and phone number. If I can no longer keep or provide proper care for the animal and can't find a suitable home for it, I agree to return it to the City of Lufkin Animal Control.
- 7. I agree, if I reside in the city limits of Lufkin, not to allow this dog to run loose in violation of any City of Lufkin ordinances or become a public nuisance. I agree not to tether or chain this dog as a means of confinement. I have a fenced yard or dog pen that will be used as confinement for this dog, if kept outdoors, or will restrain it indoors and walk it on a leash.
- 8. I agree to have the animal spayed/neutered as required by law and have signed a Spay/Neuter Agreement with City of Lufkin Animal Control.
- 9. I agree, if I am an apartment dweller, and I intend on keeping the animal at or in my apartment, this adoption does not violate my lease or rental agreement.
- 10. I understand that the City of Lufkin Animal Services does not guarantee the health of this animal. I agree to hold the City of Lufkin Animal Control and Kurth Memorial Animal Shelter harmless for any present or future illness this animal may have or contract.
- 11. I understand that the City of Lufkin Animal Services does not guarantee the temperament of this animal. I agree to hold the City of Lufkin Animal Control and Kurth Memorial Animal Shelter harmless for any damage which the animal may cause to any person or property.
- 12. I agree to take this animal to the veterinarian within 7 days from the adoption date for a complete health check and any recommended vaccinations. If this animal turns out to have a health problem, I can return this animal no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day after adoption, and may be entitled to a replacement animal or refund of the adoption fee. A signed statement from a veterinarian is required.
- 13. I understand that if the animal I am adopting is four months of age or older, I am required by law to have the animal vaccinated against rabies and I agree to take this animal to the veterinarian within 5 days of the adoption date to receive its rabies vaccination. If the animal is under four months of age, I agree to get it vaccinated against rabies by four months of age. I agree to keep the animal I am adopting currently vaccinated against rabies as required by local and state laws wherever I may reside.
- 14. I understand that the City of Lufkin reserves the right to verify information provided by me in my application and requirements in this agreement, and that falsification of any information contained herein can cause the City of Lufkin to deny adoption of this animal to me.
- 15. I agree that failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this agreement will void this agreement, and I agree to return this animal to the City of Lufkin, and forfeit all fees paid to the City of Lufkin in connection with the adoption of this animal. If I fail to return the animal to the City of Lufkin, I understand that the City of Lufkin can and will take legal action against me to obtain custody of the animal.
- 16. I understand that all adoptions are final and pets will not be returned or exchanged for reasons other than health. Exceptions to the above conditions are at the discretion of the Assistant Director or Director.

## I have read this adoption contract set forth above and I agree with all of its terms and conditions.

PET OWNER'S SIGNATURE	DATE	DATE		
PLEASE PRINT				
NAME		DL#		
ADDRESS		CITY		_ STATE
ZIP HOME PHONE	WOR	K PHONE		
TYPE OF ANIMAL	BREED	AGE	_ FEE	
PET'S NAME	ANIMAL CONTROL #		ADOPTION	#
CITY OF LUFKIN ANIMAL SERVICES REPRES		_ DATE		
Rabies (Date Given)	Feline Distemper (Date Given)			
Distemper/Parvo (Date Given)	Bordatella (Date Given)		Worming (Date Given)	