



# ADOPTION CONTRACT

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Barrio Dogs' goal is to place our rescued animals into permanent, loving homes. That is why our contract asks so many detailed questions. Many of our dogs have been rescued from bad conditions and we want to ensure they are happy and healthy in their new home. We do not adopt dogs on a "first come, first served" basis and reserve the right to decline any contract.

- **Barrio Dogs' nonrefundable adoption fee for dogs is \$125.00. This amount covers some of the costs of spaying or neutering, testing, treating and vaccinating the dog but rarely all expenses.**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. ALL ADOPTERS MUST BE AT LEAST 21 YEARS OF AGE.**

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of animal you want to adopt \_\_\_\_\_ Dog/cat \_\_\_\_\_ Male/female \_\_\_\_\_

Breed/description \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's license #/state \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address, city and zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ What are your hours? \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner's employer \_\_\_\_\_ S/P's cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

How long will the animal be left alone? \_\_\_\_\_ Where will it stay? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you or your spouse/partner travel frequently? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how often? \_\_\_\_\_

What will you do with the pet when you travel? \_\_\_\_\_

What will you do with this pet if you have to move? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing/able to purchase and use a crate if needed or advised? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a pet door? \_\_\_\_\_ How would you handle the pet's potty needs? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you housetrained an animal before? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, describe how you accomplished this: \_\_\_\_\_

How will you exercise the pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Where would the pet sleep? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live alone or with family? \_\_\_\_\_ Does every adult in the household agree to adopt this pet?

Do you have children/grandchildren? \_\_\_\_\_ What ages? \_\_\_\_\_

Do children/grandchildren live in the household? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, how often do they visit? \_\_\_\_\_

If needed, will you commit to behavior and/or dog obedience training? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent? \_\_\_\_\_ House/apt? \_\_\_\_\_ If renting, how long? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If renting, does your lease allow pets? \_\_\_\_\_ Breed/weight restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pet deposit paid? \_\_\_\_\_ How can you confirm payment? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rental manager's name and phone number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you have a fenced yard? \_\_\_\_\_ What type of fence and how high? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you have a pool? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, is the area fenced off? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Have you owned this breed/mix before? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you owned a rescued animal before? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Have you ever adopted from a rescue group or shelter? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what group/shelter? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Has your adoption application ever been declined? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, why \_\_\_\_\_  
 Have you ever given up animal(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, why? \_\_\_\_\_  
 What did you do with the animal(s)? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 What qualities are you looking for in a pet? (please be specific) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 What traits or characteristics are you sure you do not want? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**PET OWNERSHIP HISTORY**

Please provide information about three (3) current or most recent pets

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Dog/cat? \_\_\_\_\_ How acquired? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Male /female? \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed/neutered? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pet's age \_\_\_\_\_ Length of ownership \_\_\_\_\_  
 On heartworm preventative? \_\_\_\_\_ What kind? \_\_\_\_\_ When last given?  
 Date of last shots: DHLPP \_\_\_\_\_ Bordetella \_\_\_\_\_ Rabies \_\_\_\_\_  
 Where does this animal sleep? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Where does it stay while you are away or at work? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Did this pet have any problems or conditions? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you still own this pet? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, what happened to it? \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE INITIAL EACH ITEM**

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. I agree to let a Barrio Dogs, Inc. representative visit my home prior to adoption to do a home check. I also agree to allow a BD representative to visit my home to do follow up checks on the animal. I UNDERSTAND THAT BARRIO DOGS MAY TERMINATE THIS CONTRACT AND REMOVE THE ANIMAL FROM MY HOME IF ANY OF THE CONDITIONS HEREIN ARE NOT BEING MET OR IF BARRIO DOGS REASONABLY BELIEVES THE ANIMAL IS BEING MISTREATED OR NEGLECTED.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. I understand and agree that my adoption fee is NON-REFUNDABLE even if the pet is returned.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. I agree that I will never sell, trade or give away this pet or relinquish it to a shelter or pound, whether "no-kill" or otherwise. I will notify Barrio Dogs if I am unable or unwilling to keep the pet and will return it to Barrio Dogs after arrangements have been made for its return. If the pet is lost or stolen, I will notify Barrio Dogs within 24 hours. I will keep tags on the dog with current information at all times.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. I agree that all future medical and health maintenance treatments are my responsibility unless Barrio Dogs has specifically agreed to pay for them under the "Special Provisions" section of this contract. I agree to administer monthly heartworm preventative to the dog year-round. If the dog is heartworm positive, I agree to take it to my veterinarian for proper heartworm treatment and will follow the vet's instructions and recommendations. I will not use any over-the-counter flea preventative and only medication purchased from my vet.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. During this pet's entire lifetime, I will protect it with annual vaccinations and routine medical care and health maintenance as recommended by my veterinarian. I will seek immediate veterinary care if this pet becomes ill or is injured.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. The pet will be primarily indoors interacting with me and my family and will not be banished to the back yard. I will never tie my dog to a chain or rope or leave it unattended for long periods of time.

\_\_\_\_\_ 7. I AGREE THAT THE PET SHALL NOT BE PHYSICALLY ALTERED IN ANY MANNER (docking tails, cropping ears, declawing, etc.) at any time. I understand and agree that if I do alter the pet, it will constitute breach of this contract and agree to relinquish the animal to Barrio Dogs.

\_\_\_\_ 8. I agree to comply with all state and local ordinances related to the confinement, care, and licensing of this pet. I will reclaim the pet promptly and pay any required fees if it is picked up by an animal control agency. Rabies and ID tags will be kept on the animal at all times.

\_\_\_\_ 9. I understand that this is a rescued animal and that its living conditions and treatment prior to rescue are probably unknown. Barrio Dogs, Inc. does not make any guarantees regarding the age, nature, temperament, disposition or health of this pet. I assume all risk and responsibility of ownership of this pet once it is in my possession. I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Barrio Dogs, Inc. and its agents against any and all claims including claims of property damage and/or personal injury which may arise from my adoption of this pet.

\_\_\_\_ **10. If I fail to fully and timely comply with the terms of this contract, I will voluntarily and immediately release ownership, possession, custody and control of this pet to Barrio Dogs. If I fail to do so, Barrio Dogs will be entitled to exercise any and all legal remedies available to it.**

\_\_\_\_ 11. I affirm that all information in the contract is true, complete and correct and agree that any false or misleading statement herein will constitute a breach of this contract.

\_\_\_\_ 12. SPECIAL PROVISIONS of this contract, if any, are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

My signature below affirms that I have read this contract and understand and agree to all the above conditions herein.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

ACCEPTED BY Barrio Dogs, Inc.	Adoption Fee Received _____ Cash _____ Check _____
Medical Records Delivered:	Heartworm Preventative Due On:
Flea/Tick Preventative Due On:	Microchip Information

**Release for Veterinary Reference: (to be completed by potential adopter)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby give permission for any veterinarian providing service to me to release medical information on any/all of my animals to Barrio Dogs, Inc.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

My current veterinarian is \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_