



FOSTER CONTRACT

Name of Cat / Dog (circle species)	
Foster Pick-Up Date	
Foster Parent's Name	
Foster Parent's Physical Address	
Foster Parent's Phone Number	

Foster Policy

Thank you for your interest in fostering for the Central Texas SPCA. As a Foster Parent, there are responsibilities of the Foster Parent and the CTSPCA that are outlined in this Agreement. As the Foster Parent, you agree to the following while the foster animal is in your care.

- Provide nutritious food two times a day (food may be provided by the CTSPCA)
- Provide clean, accessible water every day
- Provide daily exercise, play and socialization
- Administer any required medications
- Seek prompt vet care if needed in an emergency – notify the Foster Coordinator and get approval for any expense that will exceed \$50
- If fostering a dog:
 - At no time will the CTSPCA dog be allowed off-leash in an unfenced area
 - At no time should a CTSPCA dog be taken to or engage in a dog park
 - Provide sufficient shade when the CTSPCA dog is outside
 - Allow/keep the dog inside your house when you are at home - CTSPCA dogs must be considered indoor dogs
 - Crate train if possible
 - Housetraining as needed
 - Puppies under 12-weeks of age should not be socialized outside of the home
- If fostering a cat:
 - At no time should a CTSPCA cat be taken or left outside – CTSPCA cats must be considered indoor cats at all times
 - Clean litter box on a daily basis
 - Litter box training as needed

Veterinary Care

Before taking the animal to the veterinarian, you MUST contact your CTSPCA Foster Coordinator to get pre-approval for all veterinary care and to advise of emergencies involving the CTSPCA cat/dog. The CTSPCA works with veterinarians that offer low-cost or reduced veterinarian care. We will require that, if a dog or cat needs veterinarian care, it be completed through a veterinarian used by the CTSPCA, if at all possible. All foster animals are typically current on vaccinations, including Rabies, as well as spayed/neutered. However, there may be some foster animals that have not yet completed vaccinations or spayed/neutered prior to going into foster. The CTSPCA will address the medical needs of the foster animal with the Foster Parent and CTSPCA will be responsible for all costs. **The Foster Parent understands that, by taking in a foster animal from the shelter, the animal may not be current on vetting (i.e., vaccinations, Rabies vaccination, spayed/neutered) or may not have been checked by a vet for any visible signs of illness.** If the foster animal becomes severely sick or injured, it will be the decision of the CTSPCA whether or not to euthanize the animal based on veterinarian recommendations.

If fostering a dog, heartworm preventative will be provided by the CTSPCA to the Foster Parent on a monthly basis. Flea/tick and any other necessary medication will also be provided by the CTSPCA as needed for the foster animal. The Foster Parent agrees to administer the recommended dosage of any and all medications as outlined by the CTSPCA and/or veterinarian.

Lost, Stolen or Sick

In the event that the foster animal is lost, stolen or unfortunately becomes seriously ill or dies, the Foster Parent will contact the Foster Coordinator immediately. CTSPCA will make every effort to locate and find the animal if lost or stolen and will advise and address any serious illness or death.

Liability Release & Hold Harmless Statement

I understand that the CTSPCA does not warrant the health, temperament or behaviors of the foster animal. I acknowledge and assume the risks of being frightened, bitten, scratched, or injured by the foster animal in connection with my foster work for the CTSPCA. The CTSPCA is not liable to me for any injuries, damages, liabilities, losses, judgments, costs or expenses whatsoever, which I might suffer or sustain in connection with the performance of my foster activities for the CTSPCA, unless they are the result of the CTSPCA's gross negligence or intentional misconduct. I will indemnify, defend and hold the CTSPCA, its directors, officers, employees, agents and volunteers and their heirs, successors, agents and/or personal representatives harmless from and against any claims, lawsuits, injuries, damages, losses, costs or expenses whatsoever sustained by any companion animal or any person in connection with my intentional misconduct or grossly negligent performance of my foster activities for the CTSPCA, or my breach of CTSPCA'S rules, regulations, and policies concerning the foster program.

Returning Foster Animal

Please notify the Foster Coordinator immediately if you are no longer able to continue fostering and need to return the cat or dog. The Foster Coordinator will work with you to determine an agreeable day and time to meet at the shelter for the return.

Animals in the Central Texas SPCA Foster Program shall not be abandoned, sold or given to any individual or organization. If you are unable to continue participating in the Foster Program, or if you are experiencing behavioral, medical or other issues with the foster animal, please contact the CTSPCA Foster Coordinator to discuss the issue(s). The Foster Coordinator's information is included on this Agreement. Shelter personnel and

the Foster Coordinator are available to try and answer questions, provide information, coordinate vet care or offer additional resources in order to facilitate a positive foster experience.

Adoption by Foster Parent

If the Foster Parent decides to adopt the foster dog or cat, the Foster Parent must first fill out an Adoption Contract and agree to pay the adoption fee. If other adoption applications are already in the working stage for the foster dog or cat, the Foster Parent will not have first priority.

Meet & Greet

The Foster Parent agrees to bring the foster animal to the shelter for potential meet and greets with potential adopters as worked out with the Foster Coordinator or Shelter Manager.

Loaned Equipment and Supplies

The following equipment and/or supplies are being provided by CTSPCA to the Foster Parent and the Foster Parent agrees to return any equipment and unused supplies when the foster animal is returned to the CTSPCA:

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I have read and understand the terms of this Foster Contract and agree to all terms by my signature below.

Foster Parent's Signature		Date	
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Foster Coordinator	foster@CentralTexasSPCA.org	Phone Number	
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Thank you for supporting the efforts of the Central Texas SPCA through your gift of fostering!