

Agreement for Pets at New Directions

Name of Resident: _____

Pet name	Species/Breed	Age	Gender
_____	_____	_____	_____

Vet Name	Contact Information
_____	_____

You affirm the following:

The pet you are presenting is in fact your pet.

Your pet has not previously bitten, attacked or threatened a person or another animal.

Your pet has its current vaccinations and flea-tick treatments and you have provided documentation.

Your pet has been registered and you have provided documentation to New Directions.

You agree to keep your pet inside its kennel or in the chain-link fenced area at all times. If you have your pet in the chain-link fenced area, you must be with your pet at all times. If you will be leaving the chain-link fenced area, you must return your pet to its kennel. Your pet may not be in the outer fenced backyard of New Directions except if you are taking your pet for a walk off shelter premises and the pet is on a leash. Pets are not permitted in the shelter at any time.

You agree that you are responsible to pay for and provide for your pet's daily needs. This includes:

Feeding and providing fresh water

Ensuring proper exercise

Picking up and/or cleaning waste (solid and liquid) and cleaning litter box and/or cage

If New Directions staff determines that you are not providing for the daily needs of your pet, such that it constitutes animal cruelty, New Directions will contact animal control.

You may give permission for New Directions staff or volunteers to interact or assist with your pet. You may ask another resident to help care for your pet, but you understand that all assistance is completely voluntary and you still ultimately remain responsible for your pet's care. You will keep your pet from interacting with any other shelter residents, including children, unless there is approval by an adult,

You agree that if your pet requires medical attention at any time, you are responsible for the costs.¹ Also, if your pet is experiencing a medical emergency and you are not available to make a decision regarding treatment for your pet, you permit New Directions staff to make the decision on your behalf.

You agree that a violation of these procedures, as well as a pet that makes excessive noise, may be grounds for requiring you to find alternative placement for your pet.

¹ Funds may be available and sought through Phil Samuell, though this is not a guaranteed source.

Upon ending your stay at the shelter or at the end of the agreed time period for housing your pet, you must take your pet with you. If you leave your pet behind, after 24 hours without contact or 48 hours with contact, the pet has been relinquished and New Directions may place the pet for adoption or other disposition with a local animal protection organization and you forfeit all legal rights to the pet.

Immediately following the end of your pet's stay in the kennel, you must clean your pet's cage and the surrounding area.

You agree to release and discharge New Directions (staff, interns, board members and volunteers) and assigns from any and all actions, causes of action, claims and demands for, upon or by reason of any damages, loss or injury which may sustained in consequence of the receipt of boarding and medical services under this program. This release applies to all unknown, unforeseen, unanticipated and unsuspected injuries, damages, loss and liability and the consequences of them. This release, however, does not extend to violations of the law and any injuries or suffering pet receives as a direct consequence of violation of law.

New Directions reserves the right to limit the number and type of pets it may house.

New Directions may refuse or terminate pet housing if the staff determines that a pet presents a safety risk to other residents, staff or visitors.

Shelter Resident signature/date _____

Staff signature/date _____

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