

**ADOPTION APPLICATION**

To help us make the best match for you and your family please complete this form and speak with an adoption counselor



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ (For HSFN use only)

Have you ever adopted from HSFN?      Yes    No      Is this your first animal?      Yes    No

If adopting a cat, are you over 18?      Yes    No

If adopting a dog, are you over 21?      Yes    No

Ages of any children living with you \_\_\_\_\_

To qualify for the senior discount from the Pets for the Elderly Foundation, please enter your age \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Residence      Rent ( )      Own ( )      Live with Owner of Home ( )

If adopting a dog, how many hours per day will this dog be left alone (no one in home) \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any pets currently living with you:

<b>Pets Name</b>	<b>Breed</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Sex</b>	<b>Neutered?</b>

I/We understand HSFN accepts shelter animals from numerous sources, including but not limited to: stray or abandoned animals, animals with behavioral issues, animals surrendered due to relocation, divorce, allergies, cruelty seizures and more. HSFN employs heightened care to learn about and screen its shelter animals for both health and behavioral issues. However, due to the nature of shelter animals, problems may not become apparent while the shelter pet is in HSFN's care and/or the prior owner(s) may not have provided HSFN with information concerning any prior physical or behavioral issues.

I/We understand that the humane society makes no guarantee about the health, age, or temperament of the animals. Certain types of problems may or may not demonstrate themselves until the animal is in a home environment. This document relieves the Humane Society for Greater Nashua, its Board of Directors, Staff and Volunteers or anyone acting on behalf of HSFN from all liability resulting from personal injury, wrongful death, and property damage caused by this animal while visiting on this property or in a home environment post adoption. I have read this document, understand it, and sign voluntarily.

Signature of Adopter: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNSELOR USE ONLY

DATE	ANIMAL NAME	COUNSELOR	NOTES

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**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

***THIS IS A VOLUNTARY RELEASE OF LIABILITY. IT IS ALSO A BINDING ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY CONTRACT.***

In consideration of my presence at the Humane Society for Greater Nashua ("HSFN") located at 24 Ferry Road in Nashua, New Hampshire, I, the undersigned, [REDACTED], on behalf of myself, my representatives, assigns, executors, and heirs (collectively "I"), hereby agree as follows:

This Release and Waiver applies at all times while I am on HSFN's premises, and whether or not I am interacting with a shelter animal.

**Release of Liability and Hold Harmless.**

I understand N.H. law holds the shelter animal's owner or keeper liable for damage caused by a dog, (N.H. RSA 466:19) however I hereby knowingly and voluntarily waive that liability, foregoing those laws and remedies.

I hereby fully and forever release, waive and discharge the Humane Society for Greater Nashua, its owners, Board of Directors, employees, volunteers, representatives and assigns (collectively the "Releasees") from any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of action of any kind, which I may or might have against the Releasees, arising from/or by reason of, any and all known and unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, bodily injuries (such as jumping up, biting, scratching, etc) damage to property, and any consequences therefrom, which I may sustain due to my presence at HSFN, due to my interaction with a shelter animal or due to the Releasees' negligence.

I shall not bring any demand, claim, legal action against and/or sue the Releasees' for any economic or noneconomic losses due to bodily injury, death, or property damage as a result of the Releasees' negligence or my presence at HSFN.

I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees' from and against any and all claims, liabilities, loss, damages, demands, actions, causes of action, including attorney's fees, costs and expenses of any kind, which may be made against them which arise out of my presence at HSFN.

**Assumption of Risk.**

I fully realize the risks and dangers of my presence around, or handling of, animals, and that these risks and dangers may be heightened with shelter animals. I fully assume these increased risks associated with HSFN's shelter animals. These risks and dangers include, but are not limited to:

(a) the propensity of a shelter animal to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (b) the unpredictability of a shelter animal's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movements, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; and (c) potential of another person to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to me or others.

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(check here if applicable). **Additional Disclosure:** I understand the shelter animal I want to visit, learn more about and/or interact with has a history of dangerous propensities. Dangerous propensities include but are not limited to: growling, barking, biting, jumping, scratching, grabbing, shaking, and other physical or behavioral issues that have resulted in personal injury or damage. I acknowledge that HSFN has disclosed this shelter animal's history to me and I assume the additional risk associated with this shelter animal.  **initial here.**

I,  of HSFN, have disclosed the history of the shelter pet to the best of HSFN's knowledge prior to permitting the undersigned to visit with or interact with the shelter animal.   
**HSFN initial here.**

I have carefully read this Release and I fully understand its content. I am aware that this is a Release of Liability, a waiver of legal rights and a contract between myself and the Releasees identified above. I sign this Release at my own free will. This Release is ongoing, and applies to all present and future times I am on HSFN's premises, regardless of whether or not I am visiting with a shelter animal.

Signature Date

Printed Name  
and Address