

Adoption Contract

I am adopting the pet described above as a companion animal, it will not be given away, sold, loaned, leased, or otherwise disposed of. If I am unable to keep this animal, it will be returned to the City of Watauga Animal Service Center.

I will provide this pet with adequate food, water, and shelter at all times. This pet will be kept in a safe, humane manner as described by state and local laws, and will receive medical care as needed.

I understand that I am advised that this pet be taken promptly to a licensed veterinarian for a physical examination. I understand that if this pet is found to be unhealthy, I may return it to the Animal Service Center within seven (7) days of the adoption for a replacement or refund of the adoption fee.

As the adopter, I understand and agree that I will have the above described animal STERILIZED and VACCINATED against rabies within thirty (30) days of the adoption. I agree to provide proof of sterilization and rabies vaccination to the City of Watauga on or before the specified date.

I understand that sterilization and rabies vaccination of this pet is required under Chapters 826 and 828 respectively, of the Texas Health and Safety Code. Violation of these requirements is a criminal offense, punishable as a Class C Misdemeanor.

As the adopter, I understand and agree to accept citations for failure to provide proof of sterilization and rabies vaccination for the above described animal if these requirements are not completed by the specified dates. I agree to pay court costs and reasonable fees incurred by the City of Watauga in enforcing this contract.

I understand that if I am a resident of the City of Watauga, the pet that I am adopting must be licensed with the City of Watauga within ten (10) days after the animal is vaccinated against rabies.

As the adopter, I understand that the City of Watauga makes no guarantees regarding the nature, disposition, or health of this animal. I agree to accept all risk and responsibility of ownership of this animal once it is in my possession. The City of Watauga shall be held harmless from any and all liabilities which may arise in connection with this pet and its adoption.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____