

BASSET RESCUE of OLD DOMINION, Inc.

3445 Seminole Trail, Box 248
Charlottesville, VA 22911
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ADOPTION CONTRACT

I/WE, _____, ON THIS DAY _____

DO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF:

Dog's Name: _____ Dog ID Number: _____ for an Adoption Fee of _____

Sex: Male Female Age/DOB: _____ Color/Markings: _____

Approx. Wgt _____ Spayed/Neutered: Yes No Basset Hound or Mix

1. I/WE agree to take care of _____ (Hereinafter "the dog") in accordance with this agreement as a *house pet and companion*.
2. I/We agree to provide the dog with regular veterinary attention, including an annual checkup, sufficient exercise, attention, proper nutrition, parasite control (including heartworm) and vaccinations according to my veterinarian's protocol and the law. The dog will also wear an ID tag at all times on his collar.
3. I/We agree the dog will be housed within the house and will not be left to sleep outdoors. I/WE agree that the dog will be treated humanely at all times. This includes not being allowed to run free except in a fenced area, not being chained, staked or tied outside unless for brief periods under direct supervision. Humane training includes using positive reinforcement techniques rather than physical punishment.
4. If the dog becomes lost or stolen, I/WE will notify BROOD, Inc. immediately.
5. I/We agree that the first 14 days of the adoption period will be considered a trial period. During this period, the adopter may return to the dog to BROOD *for any reason* and the adoption fee will be returned and the contract void. If the dog is returned after the trial period, the adoption fee is forfeited.
6. I/We agree to be wholly responsible for expenses and liabilities arising in relation to the dog, howsoever derived, upon completion of adoption. Neither BROOD nor its agents will be held responsible for any injury, accident, illness, damage to property or third parties, or loss or damage that may occur subsequent to adoption of the dog, nor during any trial adoption period.
7. BROOD can make *no guarantees* about the health or behavior of its dogs, either at the time of the adoption or thereafter. **Upon signing this contract, the adopter agrees to assume all veterinary costs for the dog during the trial period and thereafter.** This is understood to include all conditions, known or unknown, whether pre-existing or not.
8. I/WE agree that if we are no longer able or willing to care for the dog after the trial period has passed, we will notify BROOD and give BROOD, at its sole discretion, the right of "first refusal" to reclaim the dog. However, I/WE understand that due to financial constraints, logistical difficulties, lack of space, or the lack of the dog's adoptability (health, temperament, or age), this may be impossible. I/WE agree that in such case, we will turn the dog over to a shelter or another suitable home, or will humanely euthanize the dog.
9. Failure to comply with the terms of this agreement will result in the return of the dog to BROOD, Inc. Furthermore, I/WE understand that BROOD, Inc., or its designee may examine and make inquiry about the dog at any time and if not satisfied with the conditions may reclaim the dog immediately upon giving oral or written notice without monetary compensation.
10. I/WE therefore agree to release BROOD, Inc. and its agents from, and indemnify BROOD, Inc., and its agents against all liability, loss, expense, or loss of, or damage to property, whether incurred or suffered by me/us or any other person, firm, or corporation who, or which, may seek to hold me/us responsible, if such incident arises out of, or is caused by, the acts, physical respect to, any dog involved in this transaction. In addition, I/WE agree that BROOD, Inc. and its agents have made no warranties, covenants, or representations, express or implied, in respect to any of the foregoing matters that a person would normally

take into account or rely upon, before acquiring a dog, whether such matter is concealed or visible at the time of the transaction.

11. ATTORNEYS FEES AND COSTS: I/we agree to be responsible for any and all legal fees incurred if a violation of this contract results in a lawsuit or any litigation. I/we understand that this contract is binding and that noncompliance with any of the terms of this agreement, including failure to pay or problems encountered in the collection of the adoption donation, may result in legal action and seizure of the dog. I/we have read and understood the information in this adoption contract and agree to abide by the terms set forth herein.

I/WE HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ITS CONTENTS. AS REQUIRED BY THE CODE OF VIRGINIA, CHAPTER 787 3.1-796.96:5, SUBSECTION C, I/WE ALSO CERTIFY THAT I/WE HAVE NEVER BEEN CONVICTED OF ANIMAL CRUELTY, NEGLIGENCE OR ABANDONMENT.

Name (Printed): _____

Signature: _____

Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: Home (____) _____ Work (____) _____

Email: _____

AGENT DESIGNATED BY THE BROOD, Inc.:

Name (Printed): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Owner: BROOD Inc.
3445 Seminole Trail, Box 248
Charlottesville, VA 22911
Tel: 866-710-9476

Medical/Vaccination Information:

Previous Vet:

Known feeding schedule/type of food and amount:

Known special habits/likes and dislikes, etc.:

NEUTERING ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT

Unless for health reasons or due to age, the dog shall be spayed/neutered within 30 days of adoption. Written confirmation of the spaying/neutering by a licensed veterinarian must be provided to BROOD, Inc. within 45 days of adoption .

Name (Printed): _____

Signature:: _____

SAMPLE