

## **Keeping Cats Homed FOSTERING AGREEMENT**

**CAT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

### **I understand fostering involves:**

- ◆ a few days or months and can end at any time for any reason with notice to KCH
- ◆ socializing a cat for adoption or caring for a cat that is ready and waiting for adoption
- ◆ allowing a KCH representative to show the cat for adoption in my home with proper notice
- ◆ receiving authorization from KCH if I am to show the cat without them present

### **I agree to make sure the foster cat receives:**

- ◆ comfortable, clean housing and a safe INDOOR environment with NO access to the outdoors, including no patio access and screens on all windows
- ◆ food (provided by KCH) and has fresh water available at all times
- ◆ a clean litter box and litter (provided by KCH or donated by foster home)
- ◆ cautious introduction to its new environment, other animals and people
- ◆ patience in becoming familiar with its unique personality

### **I agree to contact KCH immediately by phone and/or email if I:**

- ◆ will be absent from the household and someone else will be in charge of the cat
- ◆ need to return the cat while temporarily unable to care for it or need to stop fostering indefinitely
- ◆ notice any change in the cat's behaviour, eating habits or appearance, or if it has been injured
- ◆ feel the cat may require vet care and understand KCH will take it to their vet to provide required care
- ◆ need approval **in advance** for medical care I acquire on my own
- ◆ have lost the cat or it has escaped; I will make all attempts possible to personally locate it
- ◆ need more food or litter or other supplies
- ◆ learn that one of my own animals in the household has a contagious disease or condition

### **While fostering an animal for KCH, I agree to:**

- ◆ relinquish all custody claims and rights to ownership of the foster cat
- ◆ return the cat immediately at the request of an authorized KCH representative who will pick it up
- ◆ provide KCH access to my home and property, with short notice, to ensure the cat's welfare
- ◆ not take the cat out of the house for any reason without notifying KCH
- ◆ not to travel with the cat without the permission of KCH
- ◆ have the cat in a carrier anytime it is out of the house, such as a veterinary visit

### **KCH agrees to provide:**

- ◆ spaying/neutering of the animal before foster care placement or a plan to do this at an appropriate time
- ◆ a vet check-up, basic vaccines, deworming, flea treatment and necessary medical care when required
- ◆ a period of observing the cat's behaviour and its response to other animals/people before foster care
- ◆ *if the cat goes directly to the foster home upon rescue it needs ten (10) days isolation from other cats and children*
- ◆ food, bowls, litter box, litter and more items when necessary
- ◆ frequent contact by phone or emails for updates on the cat's progress in foster care
- ◆ support by visits to your home when necessary to help with the care of the cat

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**I fully understand that KCH:**

- ◆ screens the cat to their best ability and will not place any cat with known unsound temperament
- ◆ has little or no knowledge of the rescued cat's background and cannot predict possible behaviour
- ◆ makes no representation, warranty or guarantee as to the health or disposition of any rescued cat
- ◆ will not place a cat known to bite but cannot guarantee that any cat will not bite

**If I would like to adopt the cat and provide a permanent home, I agree to:**

- ◆ notify KCH and follow standard adoption proceedings (see Adoption Application Form)
- ◆ pay the standard adoption fee
- ◆ abide by the decision of KCH as to whether or not I meet adoption requirements

**BY SIGNING THIS FOSTERING AGREEMENT:**

- ◆ I release KCH and its authorized representatives from all liability for damages and injuries, including but not limited to, any conditions resulting from bites or scratches to persons in the household or visiting the household or any damage to property that may occur as a result of fostering a cat for KCH
- ◆ I affirm that I have not, nor has any person living in or visiting my household, in my personal knowledge, been charged with any form of animal abuse, neglect or cruelty
- ◆ I further agree to not hold KCH liable for any spread of disease or infliction of injuries to other pets, either living in or visiting the household, that may result from fostering of the rescue animal
- ◆ I agree to notify KCH of any behaviour problems of other animals in my household
- ◆ I confirm that my own pets are healthy and have no contagious illnesses
- ◆ I agree to flea treatment of my own animals in the household with Advantage or Revolution prior to bringing in a foster animal
- ◆ I am responsible for injuries to the foster cat due to my negligence or that of any person living in or visiting my household, e.g. allowing a cat on a patio (forbidden) where the cat leaves the patio and sustains injury
- ◆ I agree that KCH may take the cat back into their possession at any time they may deem this necessary for any reason.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Foster Parent Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Foster Parent Name (Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
KCH Representative (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
KCH Representative (Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Foster Parent Address

Foster Parent Phone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact name and number for receiving messages if not at home or work:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

EMail: \_\_\_\_\_