

St. Martin Parish Animal Shelter Foster Agreement

1004 Industrial Park Road

St. Martinville, LA 70582

Shelter: 337-394-1220

Guidelines and requirements for fostering an animal from the St. Martin Parish Animal Shelter:

- The animal must be an inside foster only. We will not accept a foster application if you require the animal to be outside in a kennel, chained, or have an electric fence. Initials: _____
- The animal will not be left unattended for any amount of time while outside with or without a fence for the animals safety. The animal must wear a collar with updated information at all times. Initials: _____
- It is required that the foster brings the animal in for all vet appointments. Staff will work around the foster's schedule as needed. Initials: _____
- If the foster animal becomes sick, injured, or any other issues, the foster parent must contact the shelter staff immediately. Initials: _____
- It will be your responsibility to show up for adoption events, other events scheduled by the shelter and for anyone who may be interested in your foster for adoption or rescue. Initials: _____
- All personal pets in the foster home need to be up to date on all vaccinations, and if an animal is not fixed, will ask the shelter staff how you can get a low cost spay/neuter. Initials: _____
- It will be the foster's responsibility to teach the foster dog to become house and crate trained. If fostering a cat, it will be your responsibility to make sure the cat becomes litter box trained. Initials: _____
- You will be required to keep the animal on a healthy diet and provide water at all times and food when it is time to eat. If you cannot afford to pay for the animals food, please alert us immediately and we can provide the needs for the animal. Initials: _____
- If your foster animal becomes lost you must contact the shelter staff immediately. You will be responsible for making lost posters, and for finding the animal. If the animal is unable to be located you will have to pay the full adoption fee and will be unable to foster or adopt an animal from the St. Martin Shelter. Initials: _____
- Depending on the cause of illness and cause of death, you will be held responsible for that animal and will be required to pay the full adoption fee if it is found that something in the home caused the sickness or death. We will notify the foster before allowing the animal to leave the shelter if they have an illness that can cause symptoms or death. Initials: _____
- If any issue happens with the foster animal, you do not follow shelter rules, or serious medical issues caused by the foster occur, you will be held responsible. The adoption fee will be paid in full, and you will no longer be able to foster or adopt from St. Martin Parish. If you do not pay the fees, understand that legal action will be filed against you and all costs incurred will be the responsibility of the foster mentioned in this contract. Initials: _____
- Understand that if you agree to be a long term foster, you will be responsible for that animal for up to six months or longer, or until adopted. A short term foster will be responsible for that animal until transport for rescue is scheduled, for a week, for a weekend, or for however long you can care for the animal. Initials: _____

I, _____, have read and understood all of the above guidelines and rules for being a foster parent. I understand the importance of caring for an animal with love, compassion, patience, and respect while in my care. The animal is my responsibility and I agree to contact the shelter immediately for any questions or issues.

Foster's Name: _____

DL #: _____ *A copy of the DL is mandatory and must be attached to this form.

Address: _____

Home Number: _____

Cell Number: _____

Foster Signature: _____ Date: _____

Shelter Staff Signature: _____ Date: _____

Home Check Date: _____

Approved: _____

Not Approved and Reason: _____

Animal (Circle One): Dog Cat

Gender (Circle One): Male Female

Animals Name: _____

Breed: _____

Age: _____

Color and Markings: _____

Number of Animals Being Fostered: _____

Foster to Adopt

Our foster to adopt program allows you to test the animal in your home for up to 7 days before you decide to adopt. By day 7, you should either return the animal to the shelter or return to the shelter with the animal to fill out adoption paperwork and to get the animal properly vetted.