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### ADOPTION AGREEMENT

I/We, \_\_\_\_\_ agree to the conditions set forth in this Harrisburg Shetland Sheepdog Club Rescue Adoption Agreement, and agree by signature to uphold all conditions, as well as attest that I/we have answered all questions on the Adoption Application as truthfully as we possibly could and did not falsify any information in order to acquire a Shetland Sheepdog from Harrisburg Shetland Sheepdog Club rescue. In the remainder of the agreement, the undersigned shall be referred to as the Adopter and the Harrisburg Shetland Sheepdog Club Rescue shall be referred to as HSSC.

DOG'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR \_\_\_\_\_  
 SEX \_\_\_\_\_ SPAYED/NEUTERED \_\_\_\_\_ TATTOO / Micro-Chip \_\_\_\_\_

This agreement shall be in effect when executed and will continue until the Adopter notifies, in writing of the dog's death or returns the dog to HSSC or HSSC repossess the dog.  
**HSSC AND IT'S REPRESENTATIVES ACCEPT NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES OR INJURIES CAUSED BY THIS SHETLAND SHEEPDOG NOR DO THEY MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OR GUARANTEE AS TO IT'S PRESENT OR FUTURE MEDICAL AND BEHAVIORAL CONDITIONS. HSSC WILL ACCEPT RETURN OF THE DOG AT ANY TIME, FOR ANY REASON.**

- 1) Adopter assumes full responsibility for the dog, including but not limited to: food bills, medical bills, and maintaining the general well being of the dog.
- 2) Adopter agrees to consider accompanying dog to training classes. Adopter hereby agrees that if training classes are under-taken, no forceful training techniques may be used or applied. This includes, but is not limited to: electronic trainers, pinch or prong collars, cattle prods, or spraying of any substance other than water at the dog or in its face.
- 3) Adopter must notify HSSC if the dog is lost for more than 24 hours or is stolen. We would also like to be notified of the dog's death.
- 4) The Adopter agrees to allow HSSC to periodically check that the dog is being well cared for both before, during and after adoption procedures. HSSC retains the right to reclaim any dog due to neglect, abuse, inadequate care, or breach contract. Adopter agrees to relinquish dog to HSSC immediately upon request due to the previous conditions listed, without legal writ or order until the situation warranting reclamation is rectified.
- 5) HSSC recommends allowing the dog a period of 30 days \_\_\_\_\_ to acclimate itself to your family and form the bonding relationship.

**6) The dog MUST be returned to HSSC rescue if the adopter can no longer keep the dog. The dog may not be given, transferred, sold, abandoned or given to any other person or organizations.**

- 7) It is understood that Shetland Sheepdogs are placed as house pet only. They are not to be tied out or left outdoors for any extended period without supervision.
- 8) The Adopter agrees that they will inoculate or re-inoculate for Rabies as well as purchase a dog license as their county warrants within thirty (30) days of adoption.
- 9) Adopter agrees that their new Sheltie will wear, at all times, a buckle collar (rolled leather if possible) with the appropriate ID tags. (Please do not use S hooks to attach tags split rings work better) Adopter agrees to NEVER leave dog un-supervised while it's wearing a Choke/Slip collar.
- 10) Adopter agrees to notify HSSC of any change of address or phone number.
- 11) Adopter agrees to never "guard or attack train" their new dog.
- 12) Adopter agrees that the dog will not be used for experimentation or research.
- 13) Adopter agrees that dog will be LEASHED when not in a fenced yard as warrants by law, and will not ride in an open vehicle (i.e., pickup truck beds, convertibles, etc.) unrestrained.
- 14) Adopter agrees to give quality medical care to the dog, including yearly inoculations, heartworm preventative **Sentinel** and any reasonable emergency care needed.
- 15) Adopter agrees to have the dog Micro-Chip.
- 16) Adopter agrees to not giving Greenies of any form.

The Adopter affirms that he/she is adopting this Shetland Sheepdog as a house pet and agrees to abide by the terms of this agreement. The Adopter agrees that they have read each clause and article and understand each clause and article. By signature the adopter agrees to abide by all conditions in this agreement. The Adopter is signing of his/her own free will and under no duress of any kind. Adopter also affirms that they have never been charged with animal cruelty, and they are not an animal broker or dealer.

Any breach in contract will assess a \$500 fine

ADOPTER'S  
SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

CO-ADOPTER'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Adopter \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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