## **Adoption Contract**

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Adopter Name(s):		
Adopter Full Address:		
Adopter Main Contact Number(s):	Cell:	H/W:
Adopter Drivers License Number:		
Adopter Email Address:		

Dog's Name:	Last Heartworm Prevention Date:
Breed: Boxer Boxer Mix Other:	Last Flea Prevention Date:
Microchip Brand/Number:	Color: Sex: M F

This contract entered into on \_\_\_\_\_\_(Date) by and between Houston Boxer Rescue (herein referred to as HBR) and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Adopter Full Name) (herein referred to as Adopter) concerns the adoption of the above named dog. That for and in consideration of the mutual promises contained, and the covenants, conditions and terms hereof, including the adoption fee, the parties agree as follows:

Adopter agrees that the adoption fee is **NON-REFUNDABLE** even if the animal is returned to HBR. The adoption fee can be applied toward the adoption of another dog, if this adoption is not in the best interest of the dog and the Adopter. Adopter understands that if the information contained herein is found to be false, Adopter's application will be refused and said adopted dog shall be relinquished to HBR without a refund of the adoption fee. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

HBR reserves the right to file criminal or civil charges against any Adopter tendering a written check that is returned because of insufficient funds, closed account or any other reason. If a check is returned, the Adopter will be given (7) days to pay the adoption fee in cash or online plus any additional charges that HBR has incurred because of the returned check. If an Adopter has given a credit card to cover the adoption fee in cash, plus any additional charges that HBR may incur. HBR may and can elect to terminate this adoption and reclaim the dog immediately. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

Adopter hereby testifies that he/she is financially and physically able to care for a dog. Adopter understands that proper food, veterinary care and other necessities can be costly and that he/she can meet these requirements. Adopter further testifies that he/she is physically capable of providing all necessary activities for the dog. Adopter agrees to keep the dog identified above and assume all expenses and liabilities incurred. (Adopter Initials)

I do hereby agree to allow volunteers of HBR to perform random veterinary checks regarding vaccinations, heartworm prevention and heartworm results. I do understand and agree that I am required by this adoption contract to continue with heartworm prevention and by not providing heartworm prevention I am in direct violation of this adoption contract. I also agree to purchase heartworm preventative within 60 days of the date on this contract. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

Adopter accepts the dog "As Is". Because of this the Adopter understands that HBR relinquishes responsibility if the dog should become ill or die after being released to Adopter or if the dog should bite, scratch, injure or cause the death of any person or animal or cause damage to property after being released into the adoptive home. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

If the dog gets loose for any reason and is captured by a Good Samaritan or a local shelter, and HBR is contacted to retrieve the adopted dog, the Adopter will be charged a \$50.00 retrieval fee plus any boarding and/or vet services incurred by HBR prior to the return of the dog to the Adopter. If HBR is called to reclaim the adopted dog and within (3) days of being reclaimed the Adopter has failed to notify HBR that the dog is at large; or if HBR determines proper measures have not been implemented to keep the dog safe and secured, HBR retains the right to reclaim said dog at no cost or obligation to HBR and without refund of the adoption fee. The Directors of Houston Boxer Rescue will make the final determination on reclaiming a dog in this situation. Finally, said dog should have a collar with proper identification on at all times. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_\_

Adopter agrees to provide responsible humane care of the above-mentioned dog; proper veterinary care, yearly vaccinations and monthly heartworm preventative are essential. Proper precautions should be taken against theft and getting loose. The dogs well being should always be a prime concern. HBR retains the right to reclaim said dog (at no cost or obligation to HBR) at any time it is deemed by HBR that the Adopter is remiss in caring for the dog. This shall include but is not limited to: being left in an unsanitary environment, mental or physical cruelty, leaving the dog in a car during warm weather, tying up outside while gone, allowing the dog to ride in the back of a pickup truck, walking the dog without a leash, leaving the dog outside during extreme weather conditions, failure to provide proper nutrition, housing, training and/or veterinary treatment. (Adopter Initials)

Due to the boxer breed being brachycephalic (short nosed), they are vulnerable to heat/cold related problems, such as heat-stroke and hypothermia, which can be life threatening. HBR requires all adopted dogs to be INSIDE dogs, meaning, dogs are to be kept inside and NOT left unattended outside for any length of time. If HBR is notified adopted dog is living outside and/or left unattended outside HBR will use all means necessary to reclaim said dog. Adopter agrees adopted dog will NOT be left outside unattended and will NOT live outside. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

If for any reason Adopter is unable to keep said dog it is to be returned to HBR with a minimum of (21) days notice. Transportation back to HBR is the sole responsibility of the Adopter. If the dog must come into rescue sooner and a foster home cannot be found, the Adopter is responsible for all boarding and veterinary fees incurred. Under NO circumstances shall the Adopter place said dog with any person, rescue group, foster home, agency, or Humane Society. If after the (21) days HBR is unable to take back the dog for whatever reason, the Adopter may place the dog after giving HBR an additional (7) days notice of intent to do so. Further, Adopter must provide HBR with information on potential placement and potential placement must go through the HBR screening process. If no notification is given to HBR and it is found out that the dog changed ownership under the condition of this contract the Adopter must pay HBR \$500.00. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_\_

The adopted dog is microchipped and registered with HBR as the contact. The Adopter will receive a microchip number with the adoption documents. At the end of the first year from the date of this contract and upon written request to HBR by the Adopter and upon receipt of a \$20.00 fee, HBR will request the primary contact be switched to the Adopter. Adopter must email microchips@HoustonBoxerRescue.org to begin the transfer process. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

The Adopter hereby accepts possession of, title to (subject to the conditions of the Adoption Contract), and responsibility for the dog adopted. Further the Adopter agrees to release and hold harmless forever HBR from liability for any injury or damages to any person or property caused by the adopted animal, and from any causes of action, claims, suits, or demands whatsoever that may arise as a result of such injury or damages. (Adopter Initials)

The Adopter understands and agrees that the Adopter will be responsible for all veterinarian services and expenses pertaining to the dog from this date \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Date) and forward. If further vetting is required, (i.e. booster vaccinations, surgery recheck) HBR will assume financial responsibility for these visits, this will be noted in the comments section below. Adopter must email HoustonTxBoxerRescue@gmail.com to schedule the appointments. Any exceptions will be noted in the "Comments" section below. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

Adopter agrees to take possession of the dog within 3 days upon adoption. If the adopter cannot immediately take possession of the dog and requests Foster Boarding of the adopted dog, Adopter agrees to pay the daily rate of Foster Boarding fee after the initial 3 days. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

If heartworm treatment is required for the dog, Adopter must complete all premedication given at the time of adoption and continue monthly heartworm prevention. HBR will cover the cost of heartworm treatment only if the dog completes treatment at an approved HBR veterinarian office within 9 months of adoption. Adopter is responsible for all office visit appointment charges, prevention and medication during heartworm treatment. If Adopter chooses to seek treatment at a different vet clinic other than an approved HBR veterinarian, adopter is responsible for all treatment costs. Adopter agrees to provide proof of treatment if the dog is treated at a veterinarian office other than an approved HBR veterinarian. Adopter must email HBR at **HoustonTxBoxerRescue@gmail.com** to begin the heartworm treatment process. **Heartworm treatment required? Yes No** (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_\_

Adopter understands that he/she is encouraged to attend an orientation on dog behavior given by one of HBR's approved trainers. The orientation will be held at the trainer's location. The length of the class is approximately two hours and the cost is \$170.00, paid for by HBR. Adopter understands that for some dogs this course may be mandatory. Adopter has (60) days from the date of adoption, to complete the orientation. Adopter must email **HoustonTxBoxerRescue@gmail.com** to proceed with orientation. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mandatory **Attendance Required?** Yes No (See Comments Section if Yes is marked)

**HBR REPRESENTATIVE:** The Adopter may have already paid the \$25 Home Visit Fee and/or placed a deposit. Total of all monies will equal the posted adoption fee. Collect the balance due to HBR. HBR prefers online payments via the **Donate** button on the website, in the "**Add Notes**" or "**Special Instructions**" section please include the dog's name - "Adoption Payment".

Adoption Fee: \$

Amount Paid: \$

Adopter Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature Waiver:** (for computer/faxing only)

I agree that typing my name is the same as signing my name to this document. I give permission to HBR to type my name to this document, causing it to be a legal signature on this document. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_

\*HBR Representative must sign and email completed Adoption Contract to HoustonTxBoxerRescue@gmail.com within 48 hours of adoption.

HBR Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Adoption Fees and Special Comments on the last page. \*\*

Purebred Boxer Puppy (up to 9 months old)	\$475.00 (tax included)*
Purebred Boxer Adult (10 months to 8 years old)	\$375.00 (tax included)*
Purebred Boxer Senior (8 + years old)	\$275.00 (tax included)*
Mixed Breed Boxer Puppy (up to 9 months old) (includes spay/neuter, microchip & vaccines)	\$375.00 (tax included)*
Mixed Breed Boxer Adult (10 months old to 8 years old)	\$175.00 (tax included)*
Mixed Breed Non-Boxer Puppy (up to 9 months old) (includes spay/neuter, microchip & vaccines)	\$375.00 (tax included)*
Mixed Breed Non-Boxer Adult (10+ months old)	\$175.00 (tax included)*
Purebred Non-Boxer Adult (10+ months old)	*See Individual Dog Listing

Foster Boarding for newly adopted dog- includes	\$30.00 per day plus tax
food	

\*Per Texas Sales and Use Tax Code, Adoption Fees collected by animal rescue groups are subject to sales and use tax. Effective April 15, 2020, we will be increasing our adoption fees by \$25 to cover the Sales and Use Tax.

Comments Regarding Said Dog(use back of page if needed, mark N/A if no comments need to be documented):

The Adopter has read and understands all of the comments, suggestions and concerns from HBR stated in the "Comments Regarding Said Dog" section of this contract. (Adopter Initials)\_\_\_\_\_