



**FOSTER HOME/VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT
Assumption of Risk and Release of Liability**

I, _____, hereby agree to abide by the following conditions during the time I am fostering dogs or providing other volunteer duties for North Atlantic Westie Rescue (hereafter NoAWR):

- 1) I understand that if I choose to foster, my role as a foster home is solely as a temporary home, and that the placement of any dogs I foster will be conducted by or approved by a NOAWR board member, or other designated representative.
- 2) I am not authorized to speak for NOAWR or to enter into any agreements for the organization without express written permission from the Board of Directors.
- 3) I will not undertake any actions that could be considered inconsistent with NOAWR's mission. I understand that my volunteer position will be terminated if my conduct is deemed detrimental to the best interests of the organization. In the case of termination, I agree to surrender any foster dog(s) in my possession to a designee appointed by the NOAWR Board of Directors within 48 hours of termination.
- 4) I understand that I am personally responsible for any and all financial expenses that I might incur in my effort to foster dogs or carry out my volunteer duties unless approved in advance by a member of the Board of Directors. NOAWR will reimburse direct and reasonable expenses, when provided with documentation and receipts, attributed to the rescue or health care of individual dogs.
- 5) I agree to abide by NOAWR's policy for responding to acute illness by contacting a member of the Board of Directors or designee when acute circumstances arise to pre-authorize expenses on an emergency basis.
- 6) As a representative of a non-profit organization, I understand that I may never profit from the care of or placement of a rescued dog or from any activity I undertake as a volunteer for the benefit of NOAWR.
- 7) I agree to keep foster dogs or dogs that I may handle for NOAWR securely confined while in my care.
- 8) I understand that NOAWR cannot and does not guarantee the temperament, health or behavior of rescued dogs I may handle. I am aware that dogs may cause property damage or personal injury to myself, my family, any animals in my home or encounter, or others persons.
- 9) I certify that I carry adequate insurance coverage in the event of personal or liability damages resulting from a dog I may handle or other volunteer activities I carry out for NOAWR.
- 10) I agree to hold harmless NOAWR, its Board of Directors, their successors, heirs or assigns, any agent carrying out duties on behalf of NOAWR, and any and all participating persons who might be claimed to be liable, whether or not herein named, from any and all actions, causes of action, lawsuits, claims and demands which I now have or may hereafter have, arising out of, or in any way relating to, any and all injuries and damages, to both person and property, and also any and all injuries and damages that may develop in the future, as a result of or in any way relating to my participation as a NOAWR volunteer or foster home.
- 11) I agree that this release shall be legally binding upon the undersigned and his/her respective heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors and assigns.

I have read the foster home/volunteer agreement and fully understand its contents. I agree to the conditions set forth and sign it of my own free will.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____