



Adoption Contract

Please print this form out. Read it thoroughly before signing. When you are finished, attach a copy of your driver's license and have the contract signed by a Notary. Then, mail the completed form to:

Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue
PO Box 2005
Chattanooga, TN 37409
423-443-4082
scmr1@yahoo.com

THIS IS A LEGAL CONTRACT - - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Current owner:
Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue
PO Box 2005
Chattanooga, TN 37409

Adopter(s) Information:

Adopter's Name(s): _____

Physical Address Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: H(____) _____ W(____) _____ C(____) _____

E-mail: _____

Adoption Fee in the amount of: _____ was paid on: _____

Description of Animal:

Dog's name: _____ Breed: _____

Sex: _____ Age: _____ Color: _____

Microchip # _____ Company name _____

Tattoo, ID # and/or identifiable markings: _____

Rabies Tag #: _____ State issued: _____ County: _____

All adopters, please initial the following, acknowledging your acceptance and commitment to each statement listed:

_____ I / We have filled out and signed, or submitted via the Internet, a Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue Adoption Application. I understand that the Adoption Application has become a legally binding addition to the Adoption Contract.

_____ I / We understand this dog has been checked by a veterinarian, and understand Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue cannot be responsible for the physical condition or temperament of this dog.

_____ I / We understand I may return the dog(s) at any time during it's life to the rescue organization, but I understand that I will only be refunded my adoption fee if I return the dog within fourteen (14) days of adoption. I understand that Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue will not refund any other costs; such as veterinary expenses, license fees, or the cost of pet supplies. I agree that I am hereby responsible for any and all costs incurred by this dog. Additionally, Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue will not guarantee or promise that a replacement dog will be provided. I also agree should a dog be returned, that I will assist Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue in providing the transportation necessary to return the dog to a Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue representative.

_____ I / We agree the dog(s) will be taken to a licensed Veterinarian and given an ANNUAL exam, along with necessary vaccinations, and maintained on a quality heartworm preventative prescribed by the Adopter(s) veterinarian for the rest of the dog's natural life and will also provide parasite control and heartworm preventative for ALL dogs in my home. I agree to show proof of this to any representative of Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue, if I am asked

_____ I agree that this dog will be kept current on all city, county state laws/ordinances regarding licensing requirements for where the dog lives. I agree to show proof of this to any representative of Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue, if I am asked.

_____ I / We agree to provide quality, name brand food and fresh water for this dog.

_____ I / We agree that this dog will be strictly and exclusively an indoor family pet and will not be used in any way detrimental to him/her; such as for medical research or in any way that could cause hardship or pain to the dog.

_____ I / We agree to provide daily exercise for this dog under my supervision and will NOT allow him/her to run free.

_____ I / We agree to be responsible for any property damage from this day forward that this dog may incur.

_____ I / We agree to notify Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue immediately if this dog turns up missing, stolen, confiscated by authorities, terminally ill or fatally hurt.

_____ I / We agree that this dog will remain in my custody and possession. I will not sell, trade, give away, transfer ownership or dispose of him/her in any way without the prior consent of Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue. If I cannot keep this dog for any reason, including my death, I understand that Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue MUST BE CONTACTED.

_____ I / We am aware that this dog has been in the custody of Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue due to cruelty, neglect, injury or abandonment, and that it may take several weeks-to-months for him/her to adjust to his/her new home.

_____ I / We understand that representatives of Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue may make follow-up home visit(s) to check on this dog. I will cooperate in making the dog and it's home available to them upon request.

_____ I / We specifically give permission to any representative of Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue to remove this dog from my premises if any condition of this contract is violated. Such entry and removal shall not constitute trespass upon my premises.

_____ I / We agree to allow Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue to publish adoption pictures of the dog and new owner in adoption videos, and post on the internet. No names will be used

_____ I / We agree to keep Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue updated for contact information that may change, i.e. home address, phone numbers and email address

_____ I / We have attached a copy of my current and valid driver's license, issued in the state in which I reside.

This contract is being signed with full knowledge of what is expected as an adopter of a Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue dog and is being entered into without coercion. The undersigned is of legal age and is of sound mind. It is understood that I/we are bound to the guidelines set forth in this contract. If this contract is breached in any way, it is understood that I/we could be held liable for breach of contract and/or any damages to the reputation of Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue. In addition, any and all paperwork that I have in my possession is to be surrendered with this dog to a representative for Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue immediately, at my expense. This contract is a legally binding contract and is under the jurisdiction of the State of Tennessee. It is further agreed that the place of venue for any court proceedings arising from breach of this contract shall be Hamilton County, State of Tennessee.

_____ Date _____
APPLICANT - signature

Applicant name clearly printed

_____ Date _____
CO-APPLICANT/SPOUSE - signature

CO-APPLICANT/SPOUSE name clearly printed

Sworn before me on _____ (Date) by _____
(Name of Adopter Signing Contract)

() who is personally know to me or () who has produced _____ as
personal identification

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: _____

Thank you for choosing to adopt a rescue dog!