

# Neuter/Spay Agreement

The following agreement is between \_\_\_\_\_ (breeder), hereafter referred to as "Seller", and \_\_\_\_\_, hereafter referred to as "Purchaser".

In consideration of a purchase price of \_\_\_\_\_ of which \_\_\_\_\_ is a nonrefundable deposit, the Seller transfers all rights in fee simple determinable, privileges and responsibilities associated with the ownership of the **female/male** puppy \_\_\_\_\_ breed to Purchaser as of the date and time specified below with the following conditions subsequent:

COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_ SEX: \_\_\_\_\_

LITTER REG. NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

MARKINGS:

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SIRE: \_\_\_\_\_ SIRE'S \_\_\_\_\_ REG. NO.:

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DAM: \_\_\_\_\_ DAM'S \_\_\_\_\_ REG. NO.:

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Purchaser agrees to neuter/spay the puppy before it reaches one year of age. Purchaser agrees to supply Seller with a veterinarian's letter by certified mail as proof of a neuter/spay. If Purchaser fails to neuter/spay this puppy and provide proof to the Seller by one year of age, rights and ownership of the dog will automatically terminate and revert back to Seller who may immediately assume possession of the dog. Seller's reasonable attorney's fees for recovery of the dog will be paid by the Purchaser.

It is understood by all parties to this agreement that this puppy of the above specified description is of pet quality.

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**When to spay/neuter:** Generally this should be done when the puppy has reached at least 5-6 months for a female and 6-8 months for a male. The older the dog, the more able it will be to withstand the anesthesia. There is no need to

wait for a female to have her first heat cycle before she is spayed. In fact, you can avoid the problems associated with estrus by spaying her before it occurs. There is also no need to wait for the male to become sexually mature.

**Why spay/neuter:** Fixing your dog prevents pregnancy and the birth of unwanted puppies. It avoids the need to restrain the dog during estrus. It keeps both sexes from roaming away from your house in search of a mate. It reduces the tendency of male dogs to urinate in the house, marking his territory. Licensing fees are also cheaper. Additionally, it avoids reproductive-related problems such as tumors, pyometra, false pregnancy, prostate infections, and old-age cancers.

**Why should *this* dog be spayed/neutered?** Any puppy sold as a pet should not be bred. This is simply for the improvement and maintenance of the breeding line for the applicable breed. Breeders have striven for years to select and perfect the breed standards. Dogs are eligible for a breeding program only if they are able to reproduce either their own quality or better quality in each successive generation. Breeding is not to be done casually nor is it a money-making venture. It is not a hobby and is very time consuming and energy demanding. By demanding that this pet-quality puppy be neutered/spayed, it avoids mass-production of average quality puppies, controls the already overblown dog population, and improves the overall greatness of the purebred line.

This does not mean that this puppy is an inferior dog. This puppy is as capable as any of its littermates of becoming a lovable, well-trained, and perfectly happy dog. Given the proper amount of love and attention, nothing should prevent this puppy from becoming an excellent companion and family member.

We the undersigned have read, understood and agree with the terms of this contract.

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Date and Time of Signature

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Seller

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Purchaser

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Co-Purchaser

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Witness to the Agreement