

## **Things to Know about and Expect from Your Adopted Rescue Puppy**

The mission of PupSavers.org rescue is to take in animals from facilities that are in areas with high levels of pet overpopulation and a limited population of qualified adopters. These animals arrive to the shelter for a variety of reasons. Many are brought to the shelters by owners who didn't plan for them, or can no longer provide for them. A large number are abandoned with little regard to the future well being of the animals. Several are animals that have become strays through one avenue or another. These strays often produce more strays, leading to even more animals needing homes.

These facilities face a great challenge and have few choices. New animals come into the shelters on a daily basis. There is not enough space to keep animals for an indefinite amount of time; not enough funds to provide unlimited care; not enough volunteers to find homes for the animals. ***The lack of resources forces these facilities to euthanize puppies everyday.***

We fulfill our mission to find homes for as many unwanted pets as possible and promote responsible pet ownership so no other animals will be born into unwanted situations every year by: Rescuing puppies from kill shelters. Placing pups in foster homes. Having adoption events to find permanent homes and requiring spaying/neutering of adopted pups. These rescue efforts help reduce the number of animals put to death.

While we do all we can to ensure healthy animals, it is reasonable to expect that some of these animals are at risk of illnesses and complications. Given the background of these animals it is reasonable to expect some risk when taking a rescue puppy home; therefore, each puppy is adopted "as is." It is possible that these animals have been exposed to worms, parasites, bacteria and/or viruses. Upon arrival at the shelters we work with, they receive de-wormers and vaccines.

We continue care under the supervision of the veterinarian chosen by PupSavers.org. However, it is possible that after adoption these animals will need further de-worming, treatment for parasites, bacteria, or viruses in addition to future vaccines. There are a number of illnesses that these animals may harbor without external signs. Given that, it is possible for the animal to appear healthy, only to go home and show signs of illness at a later date. That is why we require adopters to take the puppy to a vet within the first 5 days of adoption. **PupSavers.org is not responsible for and will not reimburse any medical expenses incurred after adoption.**

By adopting a rescue puppy from PupSavers.org, adopter \_\_\_\_\_  
agrees with all the above and agrees to continue the pup's rescue by:

- Assuming complete financial responsibility at adoption for any and all medical costs including spaying/neutering.
- Providing a forever loving home.
- Taking the puppy to a veterinarian within 5 days of adoption and check for and treat any parasites, bacteria, and/or viruses and receive required vaccines.
- Taking responsibility for the animal's wellbeing to provide for all physical, emotional, exercise, and medical needs.
- Ensuring the animal's safety at all times.
- Being a responsible owner/guardian and having the puppy spayed/neutered within 90 days of adoption and providing proof to PupSavers.org within the given time limit.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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