



## Breeder Caretaker Application & Agreement

All information provided is strictly confidential and for NHSDI use only.

*This agreement is to be mailed or given directly to NHSDI at the above address after being signed.*

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**CO-RAISER** (Required if applicant is under 18 years old)

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIPCODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EXT: \_\_\_\_\_

PREFERRED CONTACT METHOD: \_\_\_\_\_

DRIVER'S LICENSE #: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SOCIAL SECURITY#: \_\_\_\_\_

*Employment*

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor's name? \_\_\_\_\_

Do we have your permission to verify your employment, if necessary? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (someone not living with you):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

VETERINARY INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **FAMILY INFORMATION**

HOW MANY ADULTS LIVE IN YOUR HOME, (18 and over) \_\_\_\_\_

## **MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD**

	NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____

DOES THE ENTIRE FAMILY SUPPORT THIS PROJECT? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

DO YOU EXPECT ANY MAJOR CHANGES IN YOUR LIFE WITHIN THE NEXT YEAR?

(i.e. Changing jobs, moving, child going off to college, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

DESCRIBE:

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HOW MANY ANIMALS LIVE WITH YOU? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT TYPE OF ANIMALS ARE THEY?

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DESCRIBE YOUR HOME (size, fenced yard, type of flooring, etc.)

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DESCRIBE A TYPICAL DAY FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY:

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WHAT IS YOUR WORK SCHEDULE? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY HOURS EACH DAY ARE YOU AWAY FROM YOUR HOME? \_\_\_\_\_

## ***EXPERIENCE***

HAVE YOU EVER RAISED A PUPPY BEFORE? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

IF YES, HOW MANY? \_\_\_\_\_ FROM WHAT AGE? \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU OBEDIENCE TRAINED A DOG BEFORE? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

HAVE YOU ATTENDED FORMAL OBEDIENCE CLASSES? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

IF YES, WHAT LEVEL WAS COMPLETED? \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU EVER SHOWN A DOG? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

IF YES, WHAT TYPE OF SHOW? \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU HAD, OR CURRENTLY HAVE AN ISSUE WITH FLEAS OR TICKS? \_\_\_\_\_

EXPLAIN \_\_\_\_\_

And now this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as Breeder Caretaker, hereby acknowledge that  
New Horizons Service Dogs, hereinafter referred to as (NHSD), has entrusted to me  
\_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_(age) old female  
\_\_\_\_\_(breed) hereinafter referred to as breeder dog. I understand that breeder  
dog shall remain the property of NHSD until such time as it produces four (4) successful\* litters for NHSD.  
I am in agreement with and intend to be legally bound by the following conditions:

**Breeder Caretaker Responsibilities: Please Initial**

- \_\_\_\_\_Agrees to maintain breeder dog as an NHSDI breeder and will not breed this dog without the prior consent of NHSDI, and then only to an animal of their choice.
- \_\_\_\_\_Agrees to all the requirements of the NHSDI Program, and to be responsible for the care, feeding, safety, well-being, socialization and veterinary expenses as necessary for breeder dog to be successful in the breeding program during the period that I am caretaker of this dog.
- \_\_\_\_\_Agrees to protect the health, safety and welfare of said dog. Any harm, including but not limited to illness, injury or death that may happen to said dog due to acts of negligence shall result in the removal of said dog and Breeder Caretaker is liable for actual cost of said dog plus incurred expenses paid by NHSDI.
- \_\_\_\_\_During the period of this contract, any medical, behavioral, or training problems that may arise shall be brought to the attention of NHSDI.
- \_\_\_\_\_I am responsible for the costs of feeding said dog with the exception of food costs during lactation.
- \_\_\_\_\_I agree to feed such food as is required by NHSDI.
- \_\_\_\_\_I will notify NHSDI on the first day of each heat.
- \_\_\_\_\_I agree to assume responsibility for all time and costs involved in transporting breeder dog to the program director for breeding purposes.
- \_\_\_\_\_I agree to assume responsibility for all veterinary costs incurred including, but not limited to, shots, worming, and general health.
- \_\_\_\_\_If because of health or temperament reasons breeder dog is found to be unsuitable as a breeding dog, I will have it spayed.
- \_\_\_\_\_I agree that the breeder dog will be raised like other puppies in the program and will have public access until she turns 2 years old, including obedience classes, training of basic service dog skills and socialization. Once she turns 2 years of old, she loses public access and the in-training vest is returned to NHSDI.
- \_\_\_\_\_No breeder dog is to be spayed, under any circumstances, without prior permission from NHSDI.
- \_\_\_\_\_At such time as breeder dog has produced four successful\* litters for NHSDI, breeder dog will have completed the requirements of this contract.
- \_\_\_\_\_After four successful\* litters I agree to have breeder dog spayed and provide proof of spay to NHSDI.

- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree that all puppies produced through breeding this dog belong to NHSDI and the distribution and/or use of said puppies will be at the sole discretion of NHSDI.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree that NHSDI may use breeder dog to breed with males of their choice.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to deliver dog to NHSDI upon request with 24-hour notice for breeding purposes, testing, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to notify the program of any changes of address or telephone number and notify NHSDI of any absences or vacation of the local area in advance and give contact information for the dog's caretaker during absence.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree that I WILL NOT relocate dog out of state without prior WRITTEN consent from NHSDI. If for any reason dog is relocated WITH PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT, I agree to maintain the contract, including flying the dog to NHSDI at breeder caretakers expense, if necessary.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The Breeder Caretaker will be provided with a copy of the vaccination protocol to be followed for NHSDI dogs. A copy of this protocol will be sent to their local vet upon request.
- \_\_\_\_\_ In the event there is a difference of opinion between the Breeder Caretakers local Veterinarian and the NHSDI breeding program policy, NHSDI will contact the Veterinarian directly to answer questions and provide information as to how and why our policy was developed. NHSDI will consult with that vet and the NHSDI vet(s) in order to make the most informed decision. FINAL decision will be decided by NHSDI. Under no circumstances is the breeder caretaker to make any major decisions without prior permission from NHSDI.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Breeder Caretaker agrees to indemnify and hold harmless NHSDI from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, settlements, or judgments, including attorney's fees and litigation expenses, based upon or arising out of the activities described in this agreement, where such claims, demands, actions, settlements, or judgments relate to negligence, actions, or omissions of Breeder Caretaker.

## **NHSDI Responsibilities:**

1. Is responsible for veterinary costs incurred directly related to the breeding of breeder dog including, but not limited to hip and elbow X-rays and eye exams, and C-sections.
2. Is responsible for food costs only while the breeder dog is at the NHSDI facility.
3. Is responsible for the costs of feeding the puppies until they are turned into the NHSDI program or while at NHSDI facility.
4. Is responsible for initial costs for puppy litters (ex: vaccinations and worming) prior to placement.

## **Transfer of Ownership:**

When said proof of spay is received by NHSDI after four (4) successful litters, NHSDI will transfer registration papers on breeder dog and legal ownership will be signed over to me, freeing the Breeder Caretaker of any legal obligation to NHSDI.

**Termination of Agreement:**

NHSDI reserves the right to take immediate possession of breeder dog and all rights to this dog if the terms of this agreement are not followed or at any time NHSDI chooses. NHSDI will not compensate Breeder Caretaker for previous expenditures.

**Terms of Agreement:**

1. The Agreement contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties. Any modifications or waivers of this Agreement shall only be valid if reduced to writing, signed by both parties and attached to the original of this Agreement. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement, shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto.
2. Breeder Caretaker understands and agrees that he/she is not an agent or employee of NHSDI by virtue of this agreement.
3. In the event the terms of this contract must be enforced by legal means the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its attorney fees and costs from the non-prevailing party.
4. NHSDI has the right to repossess the dog at any time.
5. Breeder Caretaker agrees to stay in the state of Florida for the duration of this agreement. If at any time breeder caretaker must leave the state, NHSDI will have the option to either take possession of the dog or approve a temporary home for the duration of the contact. You must notify NHSDI (30) days in advance in writing if you plan on moving out of the state of Florida.

In WITNESS, WHEREOF and INTENDING TO BE LEGALLY BOUND HEREBY the parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Breeder Caretaker \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Breeder Caretaker \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Representative of New Horizons Service Dogs on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_  
Janet Severt Executive Director Date  
New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc.

*\*Success is defined as three or more live puppies turned in to the program at eight weeks of age.*

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Breeder Placed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Sex: M\_\_\_\_ F\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

**Breeder Puppies**

All New Horizons Service Dog puppies placed in homes will be exposed and trained as a service dog puppy candidate. Although our breeder dogs will not become working service dogs, they may become therapy dogs. As a therapy dog they may go into nursing homes, hospitals and/or schools.

For this reason we'd like the pups to be trained the same as a service dog puppy for the first two years. This will ensure they are well behaved, obedient, and well socialized. Being well socialized, they will not be afraid of new and different surroundings they may encounter in their therapy work if their family chooses to participate in these types of programs.

A breeder puppy, who for any reason does not become a breeder, whether due to physical or behavioral issues, is usually released to the breeder caretaker home if they choose to keep the dog.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Breeder Caretaker

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Breeder Caretaker

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Representative of New Horizons Service Dogs on behalf of  
Janet Severt Executive Director  
New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**Liability Form Waiver and Release  
&  
Non-Disparagement Agreement**

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I indemnify and hold harmless from and against all claims, losses, liabilities, and damage to persons or property, governmental charges or fines and attorneys' fees arising out of the acts or omissions of New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc. Training Seminar, Training Class, meetings, or any gathering sponsored by or conducted at New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc. offices, including but not limited to interactions with instructors, attendees, or animals.

I am willing to execute this agreement which will make sure that anything whatsoever that happens relating to the dog, it's training, or my training with the dog, no matter whose fault it is, will not result in any claims for personal injuries or property damages against New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc., its officers, agents or employees.

By signing this agreement below, I understand and agree to everything in it. If any person, including me, is injured, or any property, including mine, is damaged, I will never make a claim against New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc., its officers, agents or employees for personal injuries or property damage relating to the dog, its training, or my training with the dog, I will pay the claims or judgment.

I agree now and hereafter not to disparage or defame New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc. in any respect or to make any derogatory comments, whether written or oral, regarding New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc. or its current or former officers, directors, employees, agents or contracting parties, or its business or operations. The sole exception is that recipient may make truthful statements about New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc. and/or its current or former officers, directors, employees, agents or contracting parties, or its business or operations, if compelled by Court Order, legal proceeding or otherwise required by law, without violating the aforesaid non-disparagement requirements. If recipient defames or disparages New Horizons Services Dogs, Inc. or its current or former officers, directors, employees, agents or contracting parties, or its business or operations, then recipient shall be liable for all reasonable expenses incurred by New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc., including attorneys' fees and costs, in the enforcement of obligations created by this clause.

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

If the above is a minor, signature of parent or guardian.

I, the undersigned, hereby consent to the foregoing conditions and warrant that I have the authority to grant such consent.

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

**Media Authorization and Release**

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein this agreement,

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby irrevocably authorize New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc. and/or Janet Severt, its successors and assigns and those acting under its permission and on its authority to copyright, use, and publish, for art, sales materials, advertising, promotion, packaging, trade, or any other lawful purpose whatsoever, articles written or comments made by me as well as photographs, pictures, portraits or images, of me and/or my dog(s) or other animals(s) or form, in conjunction with my/our own or a fictitious name, or reproductions thereof in color or otherwise, made through any medium. Any and all comments made by me are provided to Janet Severt without receipt of any promise of consideration.

The undersigned warrants he/she has the full power and authority to grant all of the rights conveyed hereunder and hereby waives any right that he/she may to inspect or approve the finished product or the advertising or other copy that may be used in connection therewith or the use to which it may be applied, the undersigned further agrees that this authorization and release shall be binding upon his/her heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

The undersigned warrants that all comments made by me will accurately reflect the opinions and experience of the undersigned and that the comments are true and correct to the best of the undersigned knowledge and belief.

The undersigned further warrants that he/she is of full age and has every right to contract in his/her own name in the above regard and further that he/she read the above authorizations and release, prior to its execution, and that he/she is fully familiar with the contents thereof.

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

If person signing is a minor, then parent or legal guardian must sign below:

I, the undersigned, hereby consent to the foregoing conditions and warrant that I have the authority to grant such consent.

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