**Last Chance of Hope**

"You can't buy love, but you can rescue it"

**CAT/KITTEN ADOPTION CONTRACT/AGREEMENT**

* Please email your contract to lastchanceofhope@yahoo.com.au

PET INFORMATION

Name of Pet: Sex:

 Breed: Colour:

Approx Age: Microchip #:

ADOPTER INFORMATION

Name: &

Street Address: State: postcode: Home Phone: Mobile:

Email address:

Payment: Cash, PayPal   Adoption Fee $

Last Chance of Hope Animal Rescue, and the undersigned (the “Adopter” or “you”), in consideration of the mutual covenants in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, intending to be legally bound by this Agreement, agree to the following:

1**. The CAT:** We are placing the following described cat/kitten with you, the Adopter, for the adoption by you as a companion cat and family member:

Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Name of cat:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Sex: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Breed/Mix/Color/Markings\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. **Adoption Donation:** To assist us in continuing our rescue work, Adopter agrees to make a non‐refundable donation from $200 to $240 depending on each individual cat/kitten. The decision of the price will be solely up to Last Chance of Hope. This donation is immediately used to pay the ongoing costs of rescuing stray and shelter animals, including food, veterinary care, behaviour training, etc.

3**. Care of the cat:** You agree that this Cat is being adopted as a family member and will be INDOOR ONLY. You agree to provide the Cat with fresh water, wholesome cat food, affection and shelter.

4. **Veterinary Care:** The Cat will be examined by your licensed veterinarian within 10 days after adoption and will be provided with medical treatment as needed. You agree to keep all vaccinations current. Any veterinary problems that may arise, including serious illness requiring emergency care or surgery is your responsibility and that you will be responsible for all related costs.

5. **Identification:** You agree that the cat will ALWAYS be wearing an identification tag with two current telephone numbers and keep the cats microchip details up to date.

6**. Safe Environment:** Adopter will provide a safe environment including screens on windows. If Adoptee is a kitten, toilet lids will be kept closed. Guests will be informed “Not to let the cat out.” Cat will not be placed in a home where other cats have not been spayed/neutered, and are not up to date on their immunisations.

7. **Transportation:** The cat will be properly restrained, preferably using a secured crate when transported in any vehicle.

8. **Lost Cat:** You agree to make an immediate and serious effort to find the cat if it becomes lost, by (a) filing lost reports with the local police, rangers, vets, animal shelters, and pet stores, (b)   post lost cat signs (c) place lost cat ads in your local paper (d) contact us for   additional support and advice. Furthermore, Adopter understands that if the loss   was the result of negligence or failure to comply with the covenants of this Agreement, Last Chance of Hope reserves the right not to return the Cat and to place adoptee into a new home.

9. **No Right to Transfer:** If at any time in the future you cannot continue to provide proper care for the Cat, you will not abandon, give or sell the Cat to another person, company, organisation, medical research, pound or animal shelter.

You agree to do one or more of the following:

1. Obtain approval from Last Chance of Hope to transfer the ownership of the Cat to a friend or relative. Rescue must approve the new adopter who will be required to sign an agreement similar to this one.
2. Pay to board adoptee for an agreed‐upon time, allowing Rescue to actively seek a new home and then relinquish the Cat to Rescue when a home is found.  (Boarding costs vary from $15 to $30 per day)
3. Return Adoptee to Rescue—Adopter agrees to give Rescue up to five day’s notice prior to returning adoptee in order for Rescue to secure boarding.

10. **Return Policy:** If Adopter decides to not keep the Cat, the Adopter hereby agrees to return the Adoptee to Rescue. Do not put it in the pound, or on gumtree, or give to a friend. We are here for them and for you. Importantly, Adopter agrees to give Rescue five business days to secure a proper facility to board the Cat, and will provide safe and loving care of the Adoptee until it is returned. \_\_\_\_ (Adopter Initial).

Adopter agrees to safely transport the Cat to the determined facility, and will return any/all paperwork and supplies provided by Rescue at that time. \_\_\_\_(Adopter Initial).

11. **Trial Adoption Policy:** Last Chance of Hope have implemented a "Trial Adoption policy” which means that if you decide to adopt the animal there will be a two-week period where Last Chance of Hope will still be the legal owners.

Please be aware that the Trial Adoption process is not a "try before you adopt" program.

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It is highly stressful for our animals to be moved around and must be avoided unless it is absolutely necessary.

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For the first 72 hours the cat/s will most likely be frightened, hide and will probably not be interested in food. They will probably also fight with any existing animals. This is completely normal.

**Please note it takes 3 days for them to decompress, 3 weeks to learn your routine, and 3 months to start to feel at home.**

12. **Euthanasia:** You agree that you may not euthanize the Cat except in the case of the Cat’s terminal illness or injury, or old age accompanied by pain and suffering, and in that cause, the euthanasia must be performed by a licensed veterinarian. \_\_\_\_ (Adopter Initial).

13. **Change of Contact Info:** You will notify Last Chance if Hope of all changes of address and/or telephone within 30 days after the change. Communications should be emailed to lastchanceofhope@yahoo.com.au

14. **Follow Up:** Adopter understands and agrees that Last Chance of Hope is fully entitled to make follow‐up visits or phone calls to ascertain that all of the covenants and clauses of this agreement are being satisfied. Adopter is obligated to cooperate with Rescue.

 **Right to Reclaim:** Adopter understands and agrees that Rescue reserves the right to reclaim adoptee if any of the above conditions are not met to the satisfaction of Rescue. Adopter further understands and agrees that any expenses incurred by Rescue in exercising its rights under this provision will be paid by Adopter in addition to any liquidated damages required by other provisions of this Agreement.   \_\_\_\_ (Adopter Initial).

**No Warrantee:** Rescue makes no warranty as to the temperament or physical condition of the Adoptee. The Adoptee is being adopted as is.

**Release & Indemnification/No Liability:** Adopter hereby releases Last Chance of Hope from any and all liability for personal injury, property damage, legal fees, or veterinary care, or any other expense or liability incurred by Adopter as a result of this adoption. Adopter agrees to indemnify Last Chance of Hope from any and all such claims and to pay, without limitation, any costs related to such injury, damage, or liability, including, in the case of litigation, any solicitor fees incurred by Last Chance of Hope in its defence.

**Breach of Agreement.** In the event that you do not comply with the terms of this Agreement, or the Cat is abused or neglected, we hold the right to recover the Cat from you upon demand, and the Cat will be surrendered to us immediately. If the cat is not surrendered to us you will owe us a payment in reasonable damages to compensate us for our costs and expenses in connection with your breach of this Agreement and we reserve our rights to reacquire the Cat. \_\_\_\_(Adopter Initial).

**Entire Agreement/Modification/Binding Effect:** This Agreement is the entire agreement (pages 1 to 5) between you and us, and supersedes any prior understandings between you and us with respect to the subject matter of this agreement. No modification of this Agreement will be valid unless in writing duly signed by both you and us. This Agreement is binding upon you.

**BY ADOPTER:**

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

Signed & Agreed\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Dated:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Drivers License #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Last Chance of Hope Representative:   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE NOTE: These are rescued cats and kittens, and some may be more timid than others. Please keep your cat or kitten in a small enclosed room with their food, litter box, and bed for a few days until the cat or kitten understands that you will not hurt him/her and that this is its new home. Under no circumstances should you let, or take, your cat or kitten outside