

Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue 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
scmradoption@yahoo.com

Adoption Contract

THIS IS A LEGAL CONTRACT - - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Current owner:

Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue
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Adopter(s) Information:

Adopter's Name(s):

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Telephone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

Description of Animal:

Dog's name: _____ Breed: _____

Sex: _____ Age: _____ Color: _____

Tattoo, ID # and/or identifiable markings:

Rabies Tag #: _____ State issued: _____

Please initial the following, acknowledging your acceptance and commitment to each statement listed:

_____ I 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 agree that this dog will be kept current on all vaccines and heartworm test, and seen by my veterinarian at least once a year. I agree to provide parasite control and heartworm preventative for ALL dogs in my home at least through the infestation seasons, if not year round. 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 always be kept current on all licensing requirements by the state and city in which I live. I agree to show proof of this to any representative of Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue, if I am asked.

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

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

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

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

_____ I 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 understand this dog has been checked by a veterinarian. However, Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue cannot be responsible for the physical condition or temperament of this dog. I may return him/her at any time during its life to the rescue organization, but I understand that I will only be refunded my adoption fee if I return the dog within ten (10) 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.

_____ I 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 their new home.

_____ I 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 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.

_____ The dog will be given an ANNUAL Vet check, along with vaccinations, and maintained on a quality heartworm preventative, and a program established by the Adopter(s) veterinarian for the rest of the dog's natural life.

_____ I 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 entering 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.

ADOPTER

DATE

CO-ADOPTER/SPOUSE

DATE

Sworn to me on _____ by _____
DATE NAME OF PERSON(S) SIGNING CONTRACT

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: _____

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PO Box 2005
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Contact Phone: 423-443-4082
Thank you for choosing to adopt a rescue dog!**