

Adoption Contract

Golden Retriever's Name _____ ID Tag # _____ Age: _____

This agreement entered into this date by and between Middle Tennessee Golden Retriever Rescue, thereafter MTGRR, and the applicant, hereafter the ADOPTER, for the adoption of the above identified Golden Retriever dog.

1. The adopter agrees to pay MTGRR an adoption fee, payable at the time of adoption and refundable within fourteen (14) days provided that the adopter personally returns the living dog to MTGRR and releases MTGRR of any further liability.
Dogs up to 1 year old: \$300 || 1 to 8 yrs: \$250 || 9 to 10 yrs: \$200
Seniors Golden Retrievers 11 Years and up: donation of the adopter's choice
\$50 is refundable with proof of obedience training for purebreds up to 8 years old.
2. *For dogs under six months:* adopter agrees to have dog spayed/neutered at a MTGRR pre-approved vet clinic not later than six (6) months of age. MTGRR will pay for the cost of the spay/neuter.
3. The adopter agrees to provide the dog with a good and safe home with proper care and attention. The dog is not to ride loose in the back of trucks, is not to be chained or tied outside, or to be contained by hidden fences without supervision/training. The dog is not to be a purely outside pet. When the dog is outdoors, it shall be provided protection from the elements by a dry, insulated, draft-free house. It is further agreed the dog shall be provided with shade from the sun and adequate food and water.
4. The adopter agrees this dog will be examined by a licensed veterinarian at least once each year and will receive adequate vaccinations and treatments to ensure good health.
5. In the event MTGRR discovers the inhumane treatment of this dog, it is agreed MTGRR has the right to immediately take possession of dog upon written notice to the adopter at the residence of the dog. It is understood and accepted by the adopter that home visits may be conducted by a person representing MTGRR, to check on the welfare of the above named dog.
6. MTGRR makes no warranties or statements regarding the dog's health or temperament. It is agreed and understood by the adopter that while every effort is made to provide accurate history and assessment of a dog, MTGRR does not warrant a dog regarding medical status or behavior or disposition. It is further agreed that environmental changes may effect and change the temperament of the above named dog and that MTGRR has no liability or responsibility of any nature regarding later defects with the dog, or injuries or damage to any person or property which may be caused by the dog. MTGRR is available for consultation, advice and assistance in this and all other areas pertaining to the health, training, compatibility etc. of the adopted dog. The adopter agrees to indemnify and hold harmless MTGRR and its members or representatives against any and all claims for any injury or property damage to the adopter or anyone else.
7. In the event it is determined by either a MTGRR representative or the adopter that the dog should not remain with the adopter, it is agreed the dog shall be returned to MTGRR by the adopter. No refund will be given after the initial fourteen days. The dog may not be transferred to another owner without the express written consent of MTGRR. If euthanasia becomes necessary, it is agreed that this will be performed by a licensed veterinarian.
8. The adopter agrees to not violate any laws or ordinances with the dog.
9. It is agreed and understood by the adopter and MTGRR that this written agreement sets forth all promises, agreement, conditions, and understanding between them, oral or written, and that both parties have fully read and understand all of the agreement.
10. This agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the adopter and MTGRR and their successors or beneficiaries.
11. In the event this contract, including all its covenants and conditions are breached by the adopter it is agreed the adopter shall pay the above adoption fee as damages. This amount is the best estimate by MTGRR as to the costs of a breach of the contract by adopter. Payment of these damages shall not excuse the adopter from returning the dog to MTGRR and does not include court costs or attorney's fees as set forth.
12. In the event of the employment of an attorney by MTGRR on account of any violation of this agreement, it is agreed the adopter shall pay attorney's fees and court costs as may be reasonable necessary.

IN TESTIMONY WHERE the adopter and MTGRR have set their signatures on this date _____.

Signed ADOPTER: _____ MTGRR Representative: _____

Print Name: _____ Print Name: _____