



# Rottweiler Hearts Rescue Foster Application and Contract

[www.rotweilerheartsrescue.org](http://www.rotweilerheartsrescue.org)

**Mailing Address:**  
Rottweiler Hearts Rescue  
816 Wood Chapel Lane  
Durham, NC 27703

Rottweiler Hearts Rescue (RHR) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue and rehabilitation of Rottweilers, placing them in safe and loving homes. Our Foster Program provides temporary care for dogs that need a permanent home. Your decision to open your home and heart as a foster haven for a dog in need is deeply appreciated.

Please take a few moments to fully complete this RHR Foster Application and Contract so we can make the most appropriate match between you and your foster animal. Submit this form to our Foster Coordinator, Crystal, at [fosters@rotweilerheartsrescue.org](mailto:fosters@rotweilerheartsrescue.org) or to our mailing address (*under logo*).

Once we receive your application, the RHR Foster Committee will contact your veterinarian and personal references. Meanwhile, a home visit with you and your family will be scheduled and completed before RHR can consider approval of the foster application. Rottweiler Hearts Rescue reserves the right to deny any application for any reason.

**Instructions:** Please see the complete instructions on the last page under the Electronic Signature button. **Note:** If you close then reopen this form, click the Cancel button when asked about a responses file.

I certify that I am/we are 18 years old or older.

## Foster Applicant(s) Information

Applicant's Name(s)

Address, City, State, & Zip

Email Address

Cell Phone  Home Phone  Work Phone

I live in a:

How long at this address?

My homeowners or renters insurance company is:

My insurance agent is:

The contact number is:

I own my home and do not belong to an HOA.

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I have verified that my HOA covenants and/or By-Laws contain no dog, size, or breed restrictions.

I rent my home and have written permission from my landlord to own a rottweiler or rottweiler-mix dog.

My landlord is:

Contact number:

## Family and Pet Information

Are there children in the household?  No  Yes

If yes, what ages?

Is everyone in agreement about fostering?  No  Yes

Are there other people in the household?  No  Yes

If yes, what is the relationship?

Is anyone in the household allergic to dogs?  No  Yes

Rottweiler Hearts Rescue will provide an honest evaluation of the temperament of every RHR dog to the best of our abilities. If behavioral problems present themselves at a later day, are you committed to working with the animal to correct the problem?  No  Yes

What is your ideal foster dog? Male? Female? Age range? Please be as detailed as possible.

It is important to me that my foster dog...

Are you willing to foster a special needs dog?  
(For example: allergies, special diet, health, senior, physical conditions)

 No  
 Yes

If yes, what type of special needs are you willing to consider?

Who in the household will be the dog's primary care giver?

How many hours each day will the dog be left unattended?

Where will the dog be during the day?

At night?

What about when no one is home?

Out of town?

Do you have a fenced-in yard?

 No  Yes

If yes, how high is the fence?

How will the dog be pottied and exercised?

When, if ever, might you allow your dog to run off-leash?

Do you, or your immediate neighbors, own livestock, farm, or exotic animals?

 No  
 Yes

Have you ever given a pet away or taken one to a shelter? If yes, why?

Have you ever foster for another rescue?

 No  
 Yes

If yes, which rescue and what was the outcome?

My current veterinarian's name, location, and phone # are?

My previous veterinarian's (if less than 2 years) was?

Do you currently have pets or have had pets in the past?

 No  
 Yes

When was your pets' last visit to the vet? The reason for visit?

Pet's Name	Breed	Spayed/Neutered	Gender	Age	Where are they now?
<input type="text"/>					
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<input type="text"/>					
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How did you hear about Rottweiler Hearts Rescue? Please check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption Event     | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Event  | <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt-a-Pet.com           | <input type="checkbox"/> Petcentric.com         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Supermarket    | <input type="checkbox"/> Cary Dog Days  | <input type="checkbox"/> AKC                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Petfinder.com          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Petco              | <input type="checkbox"/> Santa Pictures | <input type="checkbox"/> ASPCA                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Pets911.com            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Petsmart           | <input type="checkbox"/> Walk-n-Wag     | <input type="checkbox"/> Dog.com                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Petsmart Charities     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phydeaux           | <input type="checkbox"/> Woofstock      | <input type="checkbox"/> DogTime.com               | <input type="checkbox"/> Purina (One, Pro Plan) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tractor Supply Co. | <input type="checkbox"/> Other          | <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook "Save a Dog/Cat" | <input type="checkbox"/> Rally to Rescue        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unleashed          | <input type="text"/>                    | <input type="checkbox"/> MarthaStewart.com         | <input type="checkbox"/> RescueMe.org           |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Mightdog.com              | <input type="checkbox"/> Rott-Net Adoptions     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flyer              | <input type="checkbox"/> RHR Facebook   | <input type="checkbox"/> PeopleSavingPets.org      | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Adoption Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friend             | <input type="checkbox"/> RHR Website    | <input type="checkbox"/> Petbond.com               | <input type="text"/>                            |

**References**

Please provide us with three (3) references (name, phone number, and email or mailing address) of friends, neighbors, or coworkers who are not immediately family members. References must be over the age of 18 years old.

Reference #1 (Name, Phone Number, Email or Mailing Address)

Reference #2 (Name, Phone Number, Email or Mailing Address)

Reference #3 (Name, Phone Number, Email or Mailing Address)

**Additional Comments**

Applicants are free to add to the requested information or to provide additional information they feel is pertinent to this application.

### Authorization and Agreement of Terms

By putting an "X" in the check boxes below, you (herein known as the "FOSTER"), are agreeing that you have read the corresponding authorizations, terms, and agreements. If there are any questions, it is the foster's responsibility to ask a Rottweiler Hearts Rescue Board of Director, or the RHR Foster Coordinator, for clarification.

I certify that the information provided on this RHR Foster Application and Contract is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that, prior to being approved to foster, this information will be verified. I authorize a RHR Representative to contact those references listed on this application. In addition, I authorize a RHR Representative to contact my veterinarian for reference.

This authorization is set to expire one year from today, the  day of , 20

I understand that, prior to being approved to foster, a home visit will be scheduled and all members of the household must be present. Furthermore, I authorize a RHR Representative to visit my home prior to and during fostering for follow up visits on my foster dog. If upon inspection, RHR finds that the information contained in this application to be false, RHR retains the right to deny my application or remove the dog from my premises immediately.

This dog has received an initial physical examination and inoculations. Occasionally, a dog may have an undiagnosed health problem at the time of fostering. If diagnosis of such a health problem occurs after the foster contract is signed, and the foster caregiver ("FOSTER") is unwilling or unable to properly care for the dog, the FOSTER will return the dog to RHR immediately.

This dog's known behaviors have been discussed with the FOSTER; however, dog behaviors are not completely predictable. FOSTER assumes full responsibility for the care and management of this dog and expressly waives the right to hold RHR liable for any behavior problem, damage, or other incident that may occur because of foster dog.

The FOSTER agrees, in the interest of safety, never to leave young children unsupervised with the dog.

The dog will be cared for at all times with proper shelter, food and water.

It is fully understood that at no time the dog will be an "outside dog" and will be considered part of the family by living inside with the family.

To provide a quality food, which should include a good quality meat and bone meal-based kibbled food, such as Nutro, Innova, Eukanuba, Purina, and Solid Gold.

To provide daily exercise and attention. The dog will be exercised on a leash or in a fenced yard, never left to roam loose and never chained. The dog should not be left alone in a fenced yard while no person(s) are home. Cattle prods are not to be used at any time. The dog is not allowed to ride in the back of a pickup truck or similar vehicle unless properly secured.

The FOSTER agrees to immediately contact RHR should any problem or situation (behavior, health-related, or any other) arise concerning this dog; additionally, the FOSTER agrees to provide weekly updates about this dog by email to the Foster Coordinator at [fosters@rottweilerheartsrescue.org](mailto:fosters@rottweilerheartsrescue.org).

RHR will absorb the cost of all routine medical care and treatment needed by the animal, including at minimum, yearly medical checkups and vaccinations recommended by RHR's veterinarian, spay/neuter, and heartworm, flea, and tick preventative medication year round. RHR requires pre-approval for emergency care.

To transport the dog for proper veterinary care, which includes, but is not limited to: annual vaccinations for DHLPP/Corona, Rabies, Bordetella, regular fecal tests, and heartworm checks. Heartworm, flea, and tick preventative, provided by RHR, must be administered year round, on the same date each month.

To provide RHR with any treatment paperwork and rabies tags received when the dog is taken in by the FOSTER as stated above. Copies of said paperwork and tags must be provided to RHR with 14 business days.

<input type="checkbox"/>	To immediately license and attach personal identification tags to a strong secure collar on the dog and to keep said ID tags on the dog at all times. The dog is never to wear a choke chain or prong collar while unattended.
<input type="checkbox"/>	To obey all applicable laws regarding custody of animals. This includes homeowner's association (HOA) rules and rental agreements as well as city, county, and state laws governing custody of animals.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I certify that I have checked with my city/county jurisdictions and by fostering this dog and bringing him/her into my home that I will not be in any violation of my city or local ordinances.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I certify that I have checked with my homeowner's or renter's insurance agent and by fostering this dog and bringing him/her into my home that I will not be in any violation of my insurance agreement.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The FOSTER agrees to provide a bio and digital picture, if not already provided, of the dog within one week of placement of the dog in the FOSTER's home to RHR by email to <a href="mailto:fosters@rottweilerheartsrescue.org">fosters@rottweilerheartsrescue.org</a> .
<input type="checkbox"/>	The FOSTER will provide RHR with any changes to home address, phone number, or email in writing within five (5) business days of the change.
<input type="checkbox"/>	To allow RHR to visit FOSTER'S premises for any reason to ensure compliance with this contract.
<input type="checkbox"/>	To notify RHR immediately, if the dog is lost or stolen and to assist RHR in making every effort to locate the dog by contacting shelters, humane societies, and placing ads in local newspapers. FOSTER also agrees to contact RHR immediately if the dog is confiscated by authorities, terminally ill, or fatally hurt.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FOSTER should attend adoption events with the dog at least once a month, if the location is within a 30-mile radius of the FOSTER'S home. If the FOSTER is unable to attend an adoption event, arrangements may be through the Foster Buddy program. The Foster Buddy program matches each foster dog/family with a RHR volunteer/ Foster Buddy. The Foster Buddy volunteer is responsible for picking up and returning the dog, as mutually agreed upon by FOSTER and Foster Buddy volunteer.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The FOSTER understands and acknowledges that he/she does not have any right or authority to keep the foster dog or place the foster dog in another individual's home. FOSTER is not permitted to have a person outside of RHR temporarily provide care for the RHR dog (e.g., pet sitter, neighbor, or relative) without notification to, and the approval of, RHR.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If the FOSTER wishes to board the dog at a licensed boarding facility during holidays, vacations, or during trips, whereby the FOSTER is unable to care for the dog at the foster home, the FOSTER agrees to pay for all boarding and associated costs. The licensed boarding facility is required to be approved by RHR. RHR must be notified in writing that the dog is being placed in a boarding facility and the dates of stay.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FOSTER agrees that this dog will remain in his/her custody and possession. If for some reason, the FOSTER can no longer foster the dog, it is understood that RHR will do everything within its power to move the dog into another foster home. If a foster space is not readily available, and the dog must be removed from the FOSTER's home, the FOSTER agrees to board the dog at their own expense at a licensed boarding facility until notified by RHR that a foster space is available. Boarding facility must be approved by RHR.
<input type="checkbox"/>	To return this dog to RHR in the event that FOSTER is no longer able to care for the dog. Under no circumstances will the dog be abandoned, given away, or turned in to any animal shelter or rescue group. (Abandonment is defined as the FOSTER allowing the dog to reside at a separate location even if the FOSTER does not reside with the dog, but returns to feed and water the animal.) It is further understood transportation to return the dog to RHR will be the FOSTER'S responsibility.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FOSTER agrees that this dog will remain in his/her custody and possession. If FOSTER should die while the dog is in his/her possession, FOSTER's next of kin must notify RHR upon his/her death.
<input type="checkbox"/>	All foster home re-assignments must be arranged and approved by the RHR.

- The FOSTER is welcome to adopt the dog. The FOSTER must complete the Adoption Application and Adoption Contact. The dog's set adoption donation fee remains the same.
- The FOSTER agrees to notify RHR as soon as possible if he/she desires to adopt the dog. Otherwise, prospective "approved" adopters will be given first priority over the FOSTER should the FOSTER fail to inform RHR in a timely fashion of his/her "intent to adopt." "Intent to adopt" is described herein as receipt by RHR of the Adoption Application and subsequently, the Adoption Contract and the applicable adoption donation fee. Unless the FOSTER duly notifies RHR of any "intent to adopt" the dog, the dog remains "available" to prospective adopters.
- The FOSTER may be contacted occasionally by an approved adoptive family to inquire about the dog, as long as both families are accorded respect and privacy. Should an adoptive family wish to adopt FOSTER'S dog, a RHR Representative will supervise, direct, and guide the FOSTER and adoptive family through the adoption process to insure the proper, legal documents are completed before transfer of the dog is made to the new home.
- The FOSTER agrees to provide accurate information to the prospective "approved" adoptive family if requested to do so. When possible and mutually convenient, allow prospective "approved" adoptive families to visit the dog at the FOSTER'S home or a mutually agreed upon venue.
- FOSTER understands that the property of RHR (i.e., crates, collars, leashes, medications) are not transferable to the adoptive family once the dog is placed and adopted
- To use and return to RHR (in the same condition as received, minus normal wear and tear), the following equipment to be used solely and only for the foster dog (list items and description, if appropriate).

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- Equipment belonging to RHR being loaned to the FOSTER shall be returned within 5 business days as directed by RHR, or an agent thereof, to the RHR upon the dog's departure from the FOSTER'S home, regardless of the reason for the dog's departure (i.e., discontinuing fostering, adoption of dog, retrieval of dog from FOSTER'S possession).
- If any equipment belonging to RHR that has been loaned to the FOSTER is not returned to RHR, the FOSTER agrees to reimburse RHR upon termination of this contract as follows. Failure to return any equipment to RHR and/or failure to reimburse RHR for the equipment as outlined below will result in a breach of contract and RHR may pursue legal action through Civil Court in the State of North Carolina.

Bowls	\$10	Metal Crate	\$100
Collar	\$15	Travel Crate	\$125
Leash	\$15	Dog House	\$100
Easy Walk Harness	\$25	Other Item(s)	<input style="width: 150px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

- The FOSTER is responsible for any unapproved expenditures concerning the RHR foster dog.
- The FOSTER is undertaking these obligations with no claim, now or in the future, to any type of compensation or reimbursement for caring for said dog, and the further consideration for undertaking this obligation and caring for said dog is that the FOSTER is receiving satisfaction and enjoyment from undertaking this obligation of his or her own free will and because he or she wants to do so and derives satisfaction from doing so.
- The above-described dog is the property of RHR. To FOSTER agrees to surrender the above-mentioned dog to an RHR officer or director if any part of this agreement is violated.
- To pay the costs, including attorney's fees, of RHR if action must be taken against the FOSTER or his/her representative to enforce any of the terms of the Foster Contract.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-compliance with any of the above provisions is considered a Breach of Contract and FOSTER gives his/her permission for an agent of RHR to remove the dog from FOSTER'S premises. This entry shall not constitute as trespassing upon the premises occupied. FOSTER understands if he/she does not cooperate with returning the dog to RHR that legal action shall be taken as described in the following statements.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FOSTER also agrees that if he/she knowingly breach any of the above terms of this contract, that FOSTER is liable and may be sued for Breach of Contract as this is a legal binding contract to be upheld in a civil court of law in the State of North Carolina.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If the FOSTER breaches the terms of this RHR Foster Contract, he/she agrees to forfeit the dog to RHR. In addition to forfeiting ownership, if FOSTER breaches the contract, he/she will pay to RHR the sum of \$500 as liquidated damages. Such remedies shall be in addition to any legal or equitable remedies as may be available to RHR of breach of this contract. For legal purposes, FOSTER agrees that the declared value of this dog is no less than five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. FOSTER agrees to pay RHR for its representatives' lost wages resulting from participation in court proceedings because of said breach of contract.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FOSTER agrees to indemnify and hold harmless RHR and any founder, officer, director, volunteer, representative, or agent of RHR from any and all damages or legal liability (including attorneys' fee) incurred or suffered by RHR or any founder, officer, director, volunteer, representative, or agent of RHR on account of FOSTER'S negligence or torturous conduct in the care and control of said dog or on account of any harmful, destructive, or actionable behavior of said dog occurring subsequent to the ADOPTER taking possession of said dog pursuant to this Adoption Contract or occurring at any time while said dog is in the care, custody, or control of FOSTER.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have read and agree to abide by RHR's mission, rules, regulations, and policies while I am fostering a RHR dog.

Date:

Name:

*By clicking the "Electronic Signature" button, you are electronically acknowledging the above statements and that the information you have submitted is truthful and correct to the best of your knowledge and that this contract represents the entire contractual agreement of the parties, and that there are no oral promises or representations made in addition to this contract and it may only be changed in writing as mutually agreed upon by RHR and the FOSTER..*

After clicking, you will receive a pop-up "Send Form" window. Enter your email address and name then click the "Send" button. In the "Select Email Client" pop-up window, select either the "Desktop Email Application" or "Internet Email" then click the OK button.

**Internet Email (the preferred option):** The "Send PDF Data As" window opens. Select the "Save In" location on your computer, update the file name to include your last name, then click the "Save" button. Open your email program and attach this application to your email. Send the adoption application to our Adoption Coordinator, Jay, at [adoptions@rottweilerheartsrescue.org](mailto:adoptions@rottweilerheartsrescue.org).

**Desktop Email Application:** If you select this, a notification confirms that an email message with this application attached will automatically be sent with no option to edit the message.

*NOTE: If you close then reopen this form, click the Cancel button when asked about a responses file.*

**Foster Locations and Process**

RHR generally operates in a two-hour radius of Durham, NC. For those outside of this area who would like to foster, you must be within 2 hours of a current RHR foster home. In addition, that foster must be willing to be make home visits as necessary.

Once your application has been received by Rottweiler Hearts Rescue, someone from the RHR Foster Committee will contact your references and veterinarian.

This process goes much faster when you notify your reference and veterinarian (or clinic) that an RHR representative will be contacting them for a reference. We also call your home owner's or renter's insurance company to verify what, if any, breed restrictions that they have. We will not use your name. This will not derail your application but it is highly recommended that you have coverage or a pet insurance rider on your policy.

If the application passes this stage, we set up a home visit to ensure that everyone in the household, including children and other pets, gets along.

Once the home has been approved, we can be move forward with placing a foster dog that fits your family into your home while we work together to find a forever home.