

RESCUE EXPRESS

RESCUE PARTNER CONTRACT

Please read the following carefully.



Transport Requirements and Guidelines Initial _____ Date _____

SCHEDULING TRANSPORT

Approved Rescue Express Rescue Partners may place requests for transport online at www.rescueexpress.org.

- 1) Prior to placing a transport request, Rescue Partners will:
 - a) Confirm that their sending/receiving partner is an approved Rescue Express Rescue Partner.
 - b) Obtain health certificates, vaccinations and required documents listed in the Terms and Conditions.
 - c) Obtain accurate height of the animal(s) to be transported and choose an appropriate carrier size(s) (shoulder height plus 2 inches.)
 - d) Canadian Rescue Partners should acquire copies of health certificates and veterinary records directly from their sending partners prior to transport.

- 2) After placing a transport request, Rescue Partners will:
 - a) Notify Rescue Express of cancellations as soon as possible.
 - b) Notify Rescue Express of changes to transport requests prior to 12:00pm on the Thursday before transport.
 - c) Arrive at the pick-up or drop-off location listed on the approved transport request 30 minutes prior to the estimated arrival time.
 - d) Ensure that Rescue Partner representatives picking up or dropping the animal(s) off are physically capable and prepared to safely, securely and humanely handle the animal(s) including:
 - 1) Arriving equipped with carriers, collars, leashes and any other restraints.
 - 2) physically capable of lifting and carrying the animal(s).
 - 3) trained in proper animal handling.

Transport Terms and Conditions Initial _____ Date _____

- 1) The Rescue Partner accepts all financial, physical and legal responsibility of the animals transported on Rescue Express at his/her request.
- 2) The animal(s) will be in a healthy condition, free from contagious, infectious or transmissible disease.
- 3) Animal(s) must be quarantined for 10 days prior to transport on Rescue Express to the best of the Rescue Partner's ability.

- 4) The Rescue Partner is responsible for all health certificates and documents required for transport. No animal(s) will be boarded without:
 - a) Rescue Express Cover Sheet – available at www.rescueexpress.org
 - b) USDA APHIS Form 7001 Health Certificate issued by a licensed veterinarian and dated within 5 days of transport.
 - c) Rabies Certificate: (animals 12 weeks and older.)
 - d) Proof of vaccination:
 - (1) Dogs age 6 weeks and older: at least one dose of a 5-way vaccine.
 - (2) Cats age 9 weeks and older: at least one dose of an FVRCP vaccine.
 - e) Heartworm: Medical records for dogs aged 6 months or older being transported to Washington state must include a negative heartworm test, or administration of a heartworm preventative medication, dated within 30 days of transport.
- 5) The animal(s) will not exhibit behavior that poses a danger to people or animals.
- 6) Rescue Express will have the right to refuse loading and transporting the Rescue Partner's animal(s) should Rescue Express deem the animal(s) presents a danger to Rescue Express staff or other animal(s) and is therefore a danger to transport.
- 7) The Rescue Partner agrees that Rescue Express is not liable for death, sickness, injury and/or accident, including consequential damages caused by the animal, to himself, caused to other animals, or third parties.
- 8) By signing this agreement, you allow us to seek any emergency treatment needed if your pet requires medical attention during transport. Rescue Express will immediately notify the Rescue Partner should the animal(s) require veterinarian services during transport. In the event the Rescue Partner cannot be reached, Rescue Express will contact the closest local licensed veterinarian. The Rescue Partner agrees to reimburse Rescue Express for all veterinary services, medications or other supplies required for the emergency treatment as determined by Rescue Express and veterinarian for the health and well-being of the animal(s). Rescue Express will have no liability for any such veterinarian services or related costs.
- 9) It is agreed and understood that insurance is not provided to the Rescue Partner by Rescue Express, and Rescue Express strongly recommends that the Rescue Partner carry full liability and/or medical/mortality insurance on any animal(s) being transported. If the Rescue Partner does not carry insurance; the Rescue Partner assumes full responsibilities for the loss of the animal(s) should any loss (death or injury) occur.
- 10) The Rescue Partner is responsible for any injury or damage caused by his or her animal(s). Rescue and will invoice the Rescue Partner for payment.
- 11) Rescue Express reserves the right to cancel transports.
- 12) Rescue Express reserves the right to update this application and/or contract and request re-application or additional application materials at any time after Rescue Partner approval.
- 13) Rescue Express reserves the right to revoke Rescue Partner approval.
- 14) Rescue Partners will resolve disputes in a professional and private manner. Public shaming will result in loss of partnership with Rescue Express.

Release of Liability/Indemnification Initial _____ Date _____

The Rescue Partner releases Rescue Express from all liability and fully indemnifies Rescue Express, & Rescue Express' agents, from any and all liability for any act of negligence or want of ordinary care on the part of Rescue Express. The Rescue Partner further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Rescue Express, and Rescue Express's agents, against all claims, demands and causes of action, including court costs and actual attorneys' fees incurred, arising from any death, injury, or property damage caused by the Rescue Partner's animal(s) in connection with transport.

The undersigned agrees to the terms and conditions of this contract and certifies that the information contained in this application is true and correct.

Name (print): _____ Date: _____

Name (sign): _____ Date: _____

Rescue organization/facility name (if applicable): _____