

# Basset Rescue Crew of the Southeast, Inc. Adoption Agreement

The mission of Basset Rescue Crew of the Southeast, Inc., is to find kind, loving, forever homes for rescued basset hounds. We are a nonprofit organization and receive our operating monies from adoption donations and fundraisers. Basset Rescue Crew of the Southeast, hereafter referred to as BaRCSE, is a 501(c)(3) organization.

If at ANYTIME during your adoption, you need advice, help with training issues, etc., please feel free to contact us. We will be happy to answer any question or to help with any problem you may be having adjusting to your new basset. Please bear in mind that most basset hounds in rescue have been abandoned, neglected or even abused in some way, and it may take time, even weeks for them to understand your routine and what you expect of them. There may also be accidents even from housetrained adults, so please exercise patience. Also, remember that puppies chew things, and bassets can be puppy-like for many years.

If you have smaller children in the household, or that might visit, PLEASE teach them to never bother the basset, or any dog, during mealtimes, with a chew toy, or if sleeping. Some dogs have food and toy issues, and children should be supervised during these times.

The adoption donations are as follows:

Puppies to age 1	\$350
Dogs age 1-8	\$300
Dogs ages 8-10	\$200
Senior dogs ages 10+	\$100
Mixed breeds under 8	\$250
Mixed breeds over 8	\$150

Seniors and special needs dogs may be decided on a case-by-case basis on the determination of the officers. In the case two bassets being adopted within a one year of each other, a multiple dog adoption donation discount of \$50 will be given at the time of the second's dog adoption. Donations are non-refundable after the trial period is over. However, BaRCSE does require that any BaRCSE dog will be returned to the rescue if the adoptive family is unable to keep the dog for any reason.

BaRCSE cannot guarantee that any dog is a purebred basset hound, except in very rare instances when the dog was turned into a shelter with breeding papers. Any dog taken into BaRCSE is believed to be a purebred basset hound based on physical appearance. In the case of puppies, please note we try to classify them properly, but puppies may change in appearance as they grow older.

Included in the adoption donation: all age appropriate vaccinations, including rabies, kennel cough, parvo and distemper, spaying/neutering, intestinal deworming, heartworm testing/treatment, on monthly heartworm medication, Frontline, and microchipped. Dentals done as needed.

Adopter's name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ cell phone # \_\_\_\_\_ work  
# \_\_\_\_\_

It is accepted that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_, the above named person(s) adopted from BaRCSE, a canine described as follows:

BREED \_\_\_\_\_ Name Rescue ID# \_\_\_\_\_  
Color/markings \_\_\_\_\_ Age/DOB \_\_\_\_\_ gender \_\_\_\_\_  
If reg., AKC# Microchip# \_\_\_\_\_  
For the donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ under the following terms and conditions:

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The dog is spayed or neutered and has had current vaccinations.

The basset is under a 7-day Home visit trial period, so that the basset and the adoptive person(s) can get to know each other. After the 7 days, or earlier, the adopter may finalize the adoption. If during, this time, the adopter decides not to adopt this dog, it will be returned to BaRCSE, and another dog may be considered.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We hereby agree that this basset will be a house pet and will receive adequate food, water, indoor shelter, love, exercise, and attention. Said dog shall be maintained in an adequate enclosed area or on a leash at all times. Dogs shall not be allowed to run free, roam at will, or out of the control of the owner/handler. When outside the basset will never be staked or chained without supervision. Owner will provide adequate indoor sleeping quarters nightly. I/we further agree that the basset will not be allowed to ride in the back of an open pick up truck, boat, or in a likewise manner that may result in harm to the basset where it may fall or injure itself.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We agree to provide essential veterinary care, as needed, and to have the dog vaccinated annually for necessary inoculations (DHLP-P), including Rabies, and shall abide by all state and local ordinances. I/we shall provide the rescued basset with year round (12) month heartworm preventative

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We agree to notify BaRCSE immediately if the dog is lost or stolen. I/We also agree not to sell, trade, or dispose of this dog. If, at any time, I/we are unable or unwilling to care for this dog, I/we agree to contact BaRCSE and return said dog to them for its re-adoption. The adoption donation will NOT be refunded after 7 days from the date of the start of the adoption home trial period.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we shall notify BaRCSE within 10 days of any change of address or phone number (and vice versa). It is also understood that BaRCSE may examine and make inquiries about said basset at any time. Adopting person(s) agree that the basset will at all times, wear a collar with current rabies tag and BaRCSE dog ID tag.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we understand that BaRCSE makes no guarantees or warranties regarding the health or temperament of this dog, either observable or non-observable from the date of signing this

agreement. Though care is given to assess physical condition and temperament of each basset that is accepted into BaRCSE, and every possible effort is made to provide a rescued basset which is compatible with the adopter's home, no guarantee or warranty is made.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we promise and agree to be solely responsible for this basset's actions and to indemnify and hold harmless BaRCSE, and its individuals from any and all claims of liability or personal injury to others, and/or property damages done by this animal on or after the date of this adoption. This release of liability and indemnification shall apply to all known, unknown and unanticipated damages resulting from my/our adoption, ownership or control of such animal.

BaRCSE has observed the following characteristics of this basset

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\*\*If your dog has been treated for heartworms, it may test positive for heartworms for up to 1 yr\*\*

I/We acknowledge that I/we have read and understand the above terms and conditions, and will keep the dog described herein as a family member. I/We understand that this is a binding contract enforceable by civil law.

Signature of Adopter(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of BaRCSE representative \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### ADOPTED BASSET INFORMATION

Origin of Basset \_\_\_\_\_  
Shot dates: Rabies \_\_\_\_\_ Tag # \_\_\_\_\_ State given \_\_\_\_\_  
DHLPP \_\_\_\_\_ Bortella (Kennel Cough) \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of spay/neuter, if known \_\_\_\_\_  
Heartworm test date \_\_\_\_\_ Result \_\_\_\_\_  
If positive dates of Treatment \_\_\_\_\_  
Fecal test date \_\_\_\_\_  
Heartworm preventative used \_\_\_\_\_ Next due date \_\_\_\_\_  
Flea control used \_\_\_\_\_ Next due date \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical conditions if known \_\_\_\_\_

Current medications, if any \_\_\_\_\_

Food fed \_\_\_\_\_ how much \_\_\_\_\_ how often \_\_\_\_\_  
What times snacks \_\_\_\_\_  
Any other notes \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail completed agreement to: BaRCSE, 1740 Wash Lever Rd, Little Mountain, SC 29075