



A STAR adopter is:

- ★ **SENSIBLE** - the decision to adopt should be a well-considered rational one (not just an emotional "feel-good" one).
- ★ **TEACHING** - the adopter is a compassionate, calm and consistent mentor who embraces the ongoing (lifelong) learning and growth of the CLAWbie.
- ★ **ACCEPTING:** The adopter needs to be compassionate, patient, understanding and tolerant and recognise the CLAWbie needs a fair chance to adjust to his/her new home and family.
- ★ **RESPONSIBLE:** the adopter needs to take responsibility for the CLAWbie's care, safety and well-being (both physical and emotional).

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Adopter's Pledge

I will be responsible for my dog's health needs. These include:

- routine veterinary care including check-ups and vaccines
- good nutrition through proper diet; clean water at all times
- daily exercise
- regular bathing and grooming



I will be responsible for my dog's safety.

- I will properly control my dog by providing fencing where appropriate, not letting my dog run loose, and using a leash in public.
- I will ensure that my dog has some form of identification when appropriate (such as a collar, tag, tattoo, or microchip).
- I will provide adequate supervision when my dog and children are together.

I will not allow my dog to infringe on the rights of others.

- I will not allow my dog to run loose in the neighbourhood.
- I will not allow my dog to be a nuisance to others by barking excessively
- I will pick up and properly dispose of my dog's waste in all public areas such as on parks, beaches, sidewalks etc.

I will be responsible for my dog's quality of life.

- I understand that basic training is beneficial to all dogs.
- I will give my dog attention and playtime.
- I understand that owning a dog is a commitment in time and caring.

Signed _____

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