

DOG WALKING CONTRACT

This dog walking contract (the "Contract"), dated this _____, is made and entered into by and between:

Dog Walker: _____, with a mailing address of _____ ("Dog Walker"), and

Client: _____, with a mailing address of _____ ("Client").

Dog Walker and Client are referred to collectively as the "Parties" hereinafter.

WHEREAS Dog Walker has full capability, authority, and capacity to provide certain dog walking services described in this Contract; and

WHEREAS Client desires to hire Dog Walker to provide said dog walking services, and Dog Walker is willing to perform them under the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

I. TERM. The term of this Contract shall commence on _____ and terminate: *(check one)*

- ☐ - **At-Will:** Written notice of at least _____ days' notice.
- ☐ - **End Date:** On _____.
- ☐ - **Other:** _____.

II. SERVICES. Dog Walker shall provide standard dog walking services as reasonably necessary to perform the work set out under this Contract. Specifically, Dog Walker shall perform the following services:

_____ (hereafter, the "Services").

It is further agreed that any desired changes to the scope of these Services must be approved with the prior written consent of both Parties.

III. SUPPLIES. Dog Walker shall: *(check one)*

- ☐ – Be responsible for providing their own supplies, such as leashes, a scooper, and waste bags.

- ☐ – Receive all necessary supplies, such as leashes, a scooper, or waste bags, from the Client.

IV. DOG(S). Dog Walker shall be responsible for walking the following dog(s):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Hereinafter referred to as the “Dog(s)”.

V. SCHEDULE. Dog Walker shall: (*check one*)

- ☐ – Perform the Services without adherence to a weekly schedule.
- ☐ – Abide by the following weekly schedule when performing the Services:

☐ - Monday	Start: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM	End: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM
☐ - Tuesday	Start: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM	End: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM
☐ - Wednesday	Start: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM	End: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM
☐ - Thursday	Start: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM	End: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM
☐ - Friday	Start: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM	End: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM
☐ - Saturday	Start: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM	End: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM
☐ - Sunday	Start: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM	End: _____	☐ AM ☐ PM

VI. PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF LOCATION. Dog Walker shall pick up and drop off the Dog(s) at the following location: _____

VII. PREMISES AUTHORIZATION. Both Parties agree that: (*check one*)

- ☐ – Dog Walker and any of the Dog Walker's employees, agents, and contractors shall be authorized to enter and access the premises described under Section VI as reasonably necessary to perform the Services and subject to any schedule provided in Section V.
- ☐ – Only Dog Walker and those individuals expressly named herein shall be authorized to enter and access the Premises as reasonably necessary to perform the Services and subject to any schedule provided in Section V:

VIII. COMPENSATION. Client agrees to pay Dog Walker the following compensation for the Services performed under this Contract: (*check one*)

- ☐ - **Hourly Fee.** \$_____ per hour.
- ☐ - **Flat Fee.** A total of \$_____.
- ☐ - **Other:** _____.

Client shall make any compensation payments to Dog Walker in the following manner: (*check one*)

- ☐ - **When Invoiced**
- ☐ - **Daily**
- ☐ - **Weekly**
- ☐ - **Bi-Weekly**
- ☐ - **Monthly**
- ☐ - **Other:** _____.

IX. RETAINER. Client: (*check one*)

☐ – Shall be required to pay a retainer in the amount of \$_____ to Dog Walker. Such retainer shall be: (*check one*) ☐ refundable, or ☐ non-refundable.

☐ – Shall *not* be required to pay a retainer before Dog Walker is able to commence performance of the Services.

X. EXPENSES. Dog Walker shall be: (*check one*)

☐ – Reimbursed for expenses performed under this Contract. Specifically, this shall be known to include: (*check one*)

☐ - All expenses and costs, including but not limited to supplies, equipment, operating costs, business costs, employment costs, taxes, Social Security contributions or payments, disability insurance, unemployment taxes, and any other cost that may or may not be in connection with the Services provided.

☐ - Only the following expenses that are attributable directly to the Services performed under this Contract: _____

☐ – Responsible for all expenses and costs incurred related to providing the Services under this Contract. This includes, but is not limited to, supplies, equipment, operating costs, business costs, employment costs, taxes, Social Security contributions or payments, disability insurance, unemployment taxes, and any other cost that may or may not be in connection with the Services provided.

XI. LIABILITY INSURANCE. Dog Walker agrees to bear all responsibility for the actions related to themselves and any and all of Dog Walker's employees, personnel, agents, and contractors. Dog Walker agrees to obtain or hold comprehensive liability insurance coverage in case of bodily or personal injury, property damage, contractual liability, and cross-liability during the course of this Contract. There shall be: (*check one*)

☐ – No set minimum amount required for said liability insurance.

☐ – A minimum dollar amount for said liability insurance, which shall be a combined single limit of \$_____.

XII. TERMINATION. Client or Dog Walker may terminate this Contract at any time for cause by providing written notice of a material breach of the other Party.

XIII. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS. Dog Walker, pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code, is an independent contractor. Neither the Dog Walker's employees, nor any of Dog Walker's agents, personnel, or contractors shall be deemed, construed, or referred to as the Client's employees.

XIV. BUSINESS LICENSES, PERMITS, AND CERTIFICATES. Dog Walker represents and warrants that all employees, agents, and other such personnel, contractors, or associates shall comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws requiring any licenses, permits, and certificates necessary to perform the Services under this Contract.

XV. INDEMNIFICATION. Dog Walker hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the Client harmless from any loss or liability arising from or related to the performance of the Services under this Contract.

XVI. ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION. Unless otherwise prohibited under this Contract, Dog Walker may assign rights and may delegate duties under this Contract to other individuals or entities acting as subcontractors. Dog Walker recognizes that they shall be liable for all work performed by the subcontractors and shall hold the Client harmless of any liability in connection with subcontractors' performed work.

XVII. GOVERNING LAW. This Contract shall be governed by the laws of _____.

XVIII. SEVERABILITY. This Contract shall remain in effect in the event a section or provision is unenforceable or invalid. All remaining sections and provisions shall be deemed legally binding unless a court rules that any such provision or section is invalid or unenforceable, thus, limiting the effect of another provision or section. In such case, the affected provision or section shall be enforced as so limited.

XIX. BREACH WAIVER. Any waiver by the Client of a breach of any section of this Contract by Dog Walker shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by Dog Walker.

XX. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS. _____

XXI. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Contract, along with any attachments or addendums, represents the entire agreement between the parties. Therefore, this Contract supersedes any prior agreements, promises, conditions, or understandings between Client and Dog Walker.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Contract to be executed as of the date first above written.

Dog Walker's Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Client's Signature: _____

Print Name: _____