



**Brookings Regional Humane Society**  
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## **SURRENDER STATEMENT**

We know that sometimes it's just not possible to keep a pet, but before making that decision please consider all of your options. Many problems can be improved by having your pet spayed or neutered. We have a spay and neuter program available for pets of low-income households and for farm or feral cats.

### **If you have to give up your pet, please do the right thing:**

**DON'T** drop your pet off in the woods or countryside, assuming that it can take care of itself. Pets lack the skills to survive on their own and may die of starvation or injury. Declawed cats, especially, have no defense against attacking predators. Many pets can be mistaken as harmful creatures and may accidentally be killed. Animals wander and may unknowingly find themselves on a busy highway.

**DON'T** abandon your pet in a house or apartment you are moving out of, thinking that someone will eventually find it. This doesn't always happen.

**DON'T** give your pet away to a stranger. You don't know if that person is a responsible owner or even honest. Pets that end up in the wrong hands may be abused or sold to research laboratories.

**DO** try to place your pet with a trusted family member or friend, one who you are confident will love and care for your pet properly and will keep you informed of its welfare. Be sure the friend or relative understands the commitment of time and resources that your pet requires and make sure the pet will be a good fit for their family. Shelters receive many pets from people who knew the previous owners and wanted to help them by taking in a pet, but who did so without realizing the efforts involved in keeping the animal.

**(Please Note: Pets adopted from the Brookings Regional Humane Society are always welcome back into our care if you find that you can no longer care for them.)**

### **What to Expect:**

- If you have decided to surrender your pet to the Brookings Regional Humane Society, you will need to sign the surrender form giving the BRHS legal ownership of the animal. Once you have signed, you may not reclaim your pet, so please be sure that you have made the right decision for you and your pet. You may check on the status of the animal by following online updates, but once you surrender your rights, you are not entitled to any updates regarding the status of the animal. We also request that once the animal is placed in our care, you do not visit the animal. Animals do remember faces, voices and smells. They get excited when they recognize something or someone and often times the visitation of a previous owner can cause stress and confusion for the animal after the person leaves. So please understand that because of this, we will not allow you to visit your surrendered pet.
- You will also need to fill out a pet profile giving us any known information about your pet. This profile is used to match the animal with the best possible home. Please be honest when answering these questions. It is unfair to pass severe behavioral or medical issues to another family.
- Surrender fees will be assessed to each animal that is surrendered. The outlines of these fees are listed below.
- Please bring any medical records that you have for your pet. You should stop into your veterinarian's office and request any current medical paperwork for the animal and also explain that you will be surrendering the animal to the humane society.

If you are aware and agree to these terms, please proceed.



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## SURRENDER FORM

Pet's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ BRHS # \_\_\_\_\_

**SURRENDER FEE is \$20.00 per animal \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Please understand that a lot of care is needed to assure the health of the animals here at the BRHS. The \$20 surrender fee covers **only** the testing for feline/canine diseases. If your animal needs any vaccinations or surgeries, it comes directly out of the BRHS funds. Please consider a donation to cover these additional services that need to be done before your animal(s) can be placed for adoption:

**\$10.00 for rabies vaccination \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\$15.00 for DHPP/FVRCP vaccinations (animals under 1-year need 3 of these) \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\$25.00 for un-neutered feline \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\$50.00 for un-spayed feline \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\$50.00 for un-neutered canine \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**\$60.00 for un-spayed canine \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

## STATEMENT OF SURRENDER

I certify that I do \_\_\_\_ / do not \_\_\_\_ own the animal(s) described above. I do hereby surrender all my interest, if any, therein to the Brookings Regional Humane Society, Inc. I request that the animal be adopted or euthanized as seems advisable at the discretion of the Brookings Regional Humane Society. It is expressly agreed that said Humane Society, including its officers, directors, volunteers and employees, will not incur any obligations by me on account of such disposition of said animal. I certify that said animal has not bitten any human or animal to my knowledge. Surrendering the said animal to the Brookings Regional Humane Society, Inc. does not release the surrenderer from any previous liability. **I certify that the above information is correct and understand I may be held liable for any false information given.**

## RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Upon surrendering the said animal to the Brookings Regional Humane Society, Inc. I am also giving consent to said Humane Society to contact the veterinarian(s) who cared for said animal to obtain any and all medical records. My signature on this form acts as permission for the release of information.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Veterinarian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Humane Society Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_