Animal Owner Agreement Form

1. **Signatory’s Name**

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(owner/person in charge of the animal(s) named on this animal registration and agreement form), understand that an emergency exists and that special arrangements have been made to allow my animal(s) to be temporarily sheltered in this facility. I understand and agree to abide by the animal care rules contained in this agreement and that they have been fully explained to me, and I agree to explain these rules to any family member/ person caring for my animal(s). I understand that there may be the need for the provision of veterinary care for my animal and that I may be responsible for the payment of these costs when my animal is returned to me. I understand that if serious illness or injury results in undue suffering that my animal(s) may need to be euthanased in accordance with section 138 of the *Animal Welfare Act* by a veterinarian, inspector or auxiliary officer.

1. **Rules for the owner/person in charge to agree to follow**

I will:

* Keep my animal(s) in their approved temporary accommodation
* Feed, water, and care for my animal(s)
* Follow the instructions of the temporary animal shelter personnel, including any hygiene procedures and proper waste disposal
* Document any medication that is given, including dosage and time
* Ensure my animal(s) have the proper identification at all times
* Not allow people other than the temporary animal shelter personnel to handle my animal(s)
1. **Statements for the owner/person in charge**

I agree that the veterinarian(s) working at the temporary shelter can:

* carry out any additional vaccinations he/she decides are necessary
* carry out any veterinary procedures that he/she decides are necessary, including
* microchipping my animal(s)

I agree that temporary animal facility personnel may:

* Examine my animal(s) to determine if medical or stress conditions requiring attention are present
* Administer medication to alleviate any symptoms

I agree to cover reasonable costs for any necessary vaccinations and identification (such as microchipping), veterinarian procedures, other medical care, or medications; and any limits the owner places on the amount. The owner should be aware that if these costs are likely to be exceeded there is no obligation to continue further treatment (other than to alleviate immediate unreasonable pain and distress) and that euthanasia may be advocated.

I recognise that if I have not collected my animal(s), or made further arrangements for its care within 7 days after the emergency is terminated, or when the danger is declared over, my rights to ownership/custodianship of the animal(s) may be forfeited

I accept any consequences of not following the rules, such as my animal(s) being moved to another location

I accept any consequences, such as my animal(s) being moved to a more appropriate location, if my animal(s) become unruly or aggressive, show signs of contagious disease, or begin to show signs of stress-related conditions

I accept any decisions concerning the care and welfare of my animal(s), and other animals in the temporary animal shelter, being at the sole discretion of the Temporary Animal Shelter Supervisor, whose decisions are final

I accept the risks for my animal(s) of exposure to diseases, and other risks while being housed at the facilities, and that I will not hold the authorised agents responsible for the health of my animal(s)

I declare that the registration information I provided is true and accurate.

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date (dd/mm/yyyy):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**