



FOSTER DOG LEASH AND COLLAR PROTOCOL

Thank you for fostering! Because your foster dog is just coming out of the kennels, they may be under-socialized and/or a flight risk. Please read the following and confirm that you agree to comply with this protocol.

- The foster dog must be in a collar (Martingale collars are always preferred) or harness at all times.
- The foster dog must be on a drag leash during the seven-day quarantine or until you feel the dog will not be a flight risk, including in your residence. This is to ensure that when/if the dog is cornered, scared, or gets loose, there will always be a safe way to catch the dog without having to touch them. This can be easily made by linking a slip lead and a regular leash together.
- If your foster dog is outside, they must be on a leash that you are holding at ALL times inside of your fenced yard/ patio until the animal has settled in and it's known that the pet is not a flight risk. The foster dog has to be on a secure leash at all times when outside of your residence/ fenced yard.
- Your foster dog may be frightened or uncomfortable around small children. To avoid any behavioral issues, it is your responsibility to supervise young children while they are handling the dog and to show them how to safely handle the dog.
- Make sure that everyone in your home and all visitors understand that your foster dog is a flight risk and that extreme caution is used when opening doors.
- Check your home to make sure that doggie doors and windows are securely closed and that there are no other means of escape. Also, check any fenced enclosure for holes or weaknesses and eliminate hiding places before taking the dog outside. Be advised that a scared dog may also try to climb your fence.
- Make sure that new people go slow with your foster dog and give them the time and space necessary to feel secure before reaching for them, petting them, or attempting to pick them up.

Should your foster dog escape at any time, please email foster@sanantoniopetsalive.org ASAP!

If you have questions or need help, please contact our Foster Team at foster@sanantoniopetsalive.org.

Thank you again for saving this dog's life and helping them learn to trust again.

Printed Foster Name _____

Foster Signature _____ Date _____