

## A Better Pet LLC Service Dog Agreement SAMPLE 2026



This Agreement was made and entered into in Cleveland Heights, Ohio, on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, between A Better Pet LLC, 2553 Queenston Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118, hereinafter called "Trainer," and NAME, ADDRESS, ZIP, hereinafter called "Client."

- 1. Whereas, Client desires to purchase a dog suitable for training and use as a service animal and for the training of the selected dog as a service animal, as described below, by Trainer, the Client and Trainer agree, as follows:
- 2. It is agreed by Client and Trainer that Trainer shall place <u>DOG NAME</u>, d.o.b., a suitable dog bred by A Better Pet LLC *or* acquired from a breeder. <u>DOG</u>

  <u>NAME</u> presents as a great match for further developing basic training and more advanced service dog functionality and that Client shall pay the entire purchase price of the dog (\$TBD) (as charged by A Better Pet LLC or breeder). *These costs include but are not limited to breeding/raising/training/socializing/food, flea tick & heart worm preventive, all veterinary costs through 8 months of age of selected puppy for the purpose of partnering as a service dog prospect.*

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3. It is further agreed by Client and Trainer that after purchase of the dog, Trainer and Client shall assess when Client takes possession of the dog to begin the training of Client to handle the dog as a service animal in training. It is understood and agreed by Client the amount of time for raising, nurturing, socializing, and training the dog until such time as Trainer believes the dog is ready for the Client to begin Client's own education and training to handle the dog as a service animal in training is an individual determination that depends upon the dog's nature and the Client's attitude, determination, and effort to be



successful. Initial goal of placement for **ESTIMATED PLACEMENT DATE** to INITIAL HERE begin with the 3 night sleepover which begins the transition period from primary training to Client home.

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4. It is agreed by the Client and Trainer the dog shall be individually trained, in addition to the standard training for manners, sit, stay, down, go, return (or touch) and leash manners, to do work or perform tasks for Client, as follows: this is the space to identify desired goals of trained behaviors to help mitigate challenges. Additional functionality can be discussed over time to help client as things might arise. Client is required to and shall follow the advice and the instructions of Trainer in order to accomplish the above-mentioned individual training. Any failure to follow the advice and instructions of Trainer may cause delay in training the dog the tasks above or may result in a failure of the dog to perform the tasks above. Because of the variables that are naturally a part of training a service dog, such as the dog's nature and, particularly, the Client's attitude, determination, and effort to be successful, Trainer cannot guarantee any result.

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5. It is understood and agreed by Client that training for and reinforcement of the tasks the Client desires the dog to perform as a service animal is a continuing process for the life of the dog or so long as the dog is performing as a service animal and that if Client fails to continue in the training for and reinforcement of the tasks Client desires the dog to perform, as set forth above, it is possible the dog will not perform the tasks according to the expectations of Client.

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6. It is agreed by Client and Trainer when Trainer believes the dog is ready for the Client to begin training to handle the dog as a service animal in training, Trainer will place the dog in service with Client for continued training and ongoing support for the balance of six months from the date this Agreement is executed by INITIAL HERE Client & Trainer (see #3) or date acquired puppy arrives to A Better Pet.

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7. It is agreed by Client and Trainer on-going support for that period of time shall include in-person training appointments (various locales TBD) and/or remote training appointments — services by Zoom, FaceTime, telephone, text and electronic mail to be determined by Trainer and Client, at which appointments Trainer shall provide services to individually train the dog and teach the Client to train the dog to perform the tasks, as set forth above. In addition, Client may attend with Client's service dog only, and at no additional cost, for the life of the dog, Trainer's Drop In Play (DIP) sessions, at which the Client will be encouraged to reinforce the tasks Client desires or expects the dog to perform, as set forth above, discuss methods and other matters with Trainer and other service dog owners who attend, and socialize. Should Client want or need, **Dog Name** can return to Trainer for additional support or board/train services at no additional cost within the time of the agreement (see #8).

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8. It is agreed by Client and Trainer the fee for the services to be rendered by Trainer for Client for the period of training of six months from the date of the execution of this Agreement by Client and Trainer, in addition to the costs associated with the acquisition of the dog, is Twenty One Thousand Dollars (\$21,000.00), which fee is non-refundable.

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The fee shall be paid, as follows: 1) the amount of Ten Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$10,500.00) upon signing of agreement; 2) the amount of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,500.00) identical payments x 3 months (actual dates to be included within each agreement until service dog training is paid in full. Payment 1 on DATE 1 of 3, Payment 2 on Date 2 of 3, and final payment on Date 3 of 3 at which point training contract will be fulfilled. Option to pay entire fee upfront.



9. It is agreed by Client and Trainer other product purchases from A Better Pet LLC, such as, but not limited, to food, food items, training vests, training implements, leashes, and other items are not included in the fees above and will be paid for at the time of purchase.

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10. This Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Ohio.

Signed at Cleveland Heights, Onio, on <u>Date Signed</u>	
Client Name PRINTED:	
signature	Date
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signature	Date
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signature	Date
A BETTER PET LLC	
By:	
Rachel Friedman, President	Date