

## **Zoonotic Disease Waiver**

Zoonotic diseases are those that can be passed from other species to humans. Examples are ringworm, tapeworm, roundworms and rabies. We impress upon all fosters during orientation that safe handling techniques and hygiene are important elements of sharing our homes with pets. Washing hands after handling and monitoring the health and behavior of the animals in your care is critical. Please understand that most young cats and kittens arriving into a shelter have had no previous veterinary care and may expose your companion animals and/or you to disease. While the occurrence of disease transmission is rare, please understand that the Animal Refuge League cannot assume financial, medical, or veterinary responsibility for any transmissions that may occur to yourself, your family or companion animals.

Anyone who is pregnant or may become pregnant or has a compromised immune system should consult their physician before welcoming a foster pet into their home.

Please sign below acknowledging you have read and understand the possible risks of fostering animals in your home.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:	

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