



Agreement between Trumbull Animal Group (TAG) and TAG dog handler

I _____ have read, understand, and agree to abide by the following Trumbull Animal Group rules for walking the shelter dogs:

1. I will receive permission from shelter staff before I walk any unfamiliar dog.
2. I will have an experienced dog walker accompany me on my first 2 walks.
3. I will not handle or walk a dog that does not have a current rabies vaccination.
4. I will ask a staff member for assistance getting a dog out of its cage and putting it back in if I feel unsafe doing so on my own.
5. I will walk dogs on shelter grounds only.
6. I will never walk a dog (or handle a dog at adoption events) that I feel uncomfortable with or that I don't feel I can control completely.
7. I will keep the dog close to me at all times and be in control of the dog at all times.
8. I will always keep the dog away from any other persons or dogs to assure the safety of all concerned.
9. I will always keep myself between the dog and any person/dog including fellow volunteers.
10. I will never leave a dog unattended unless it is in a fenced in side pen and staff knows that it is there.
11. I will give my complete attention to any dog that I am handling during a walk or an adoption event.
12. In the unlikely event that there is ever an incident or injury involving a dog, I will take appropriate action to help or get help for the injured party. I will promptly report the incident to the Trumbull Animal Control Officer.

I understand that if I don't abide by these rules my dog walking privileges will be suspended.

Signature of TAG volunteer

date

Signature of volunteer coordinator

date