

Your Pet Care Wishes

Your pet is an important family companion needing consistent daily care and occasional medical care. This document helps you have conversations with family members and friends to get clarity around the ideal pet care you envision if you become unable to carry out necessary pet care and related decisions on either a temporary or permanent basis.

You can appoint someone you trust to carry out your ideal pet care preferences, your **Pet Care Agent**. Completing this document and appointing a pet care agent will offer you more peace of mind knowing your pet care agent will do their best to abide by your specific wishes, and your pet care agent will have clarity about your pet care expectations. Fill in this form online and print to share as needed or simply print and complete by hand. If your pet care agent is in need of funds to maintain the level of care you desire for your pet, you can arrange for financial assistance on a temporary basis. If the situation becomes one where your pet needs permanent relocation, the most legally binding option is to create a trust for your pet's care.

Ideally, choose someone who knows and cares about your pet and is someone your pet likes. If possible, choose someone nearby so they can more readily help when needed. Whomever you choose as your Pet Care Agent: spouse, family member or friend, be sure to share your ideal **Pet Care Wishes** and determine if they are willing to respect and follow your **Pet Care Wishes** to the best of their abilities. If your pet's care becomes a permanent relocation situation, your pet care agent agrees to keep or find permanent placement for your pet rather than transferring them to an animal shelter. If you are both in agreement, leave a copy of this form with them.

If you have more than one pet, you may assign a different Pet Care Agent for each of them. To do so, copy pages 2-5 to list pet care information and wishes. You can copy these pages as many times as needed to ensure each pet receives the care they need.

This document is offered free of charge. If you find it adds ease and value to your life, please consider making a donation to an animal shelter or rescue facility of your choice and email Josie about your donation: josie.pradella@gmail.com.

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Please provide details about your **pet companion** and their care:

Pet Name

Age

Food/Nutrition

Exercise regimen

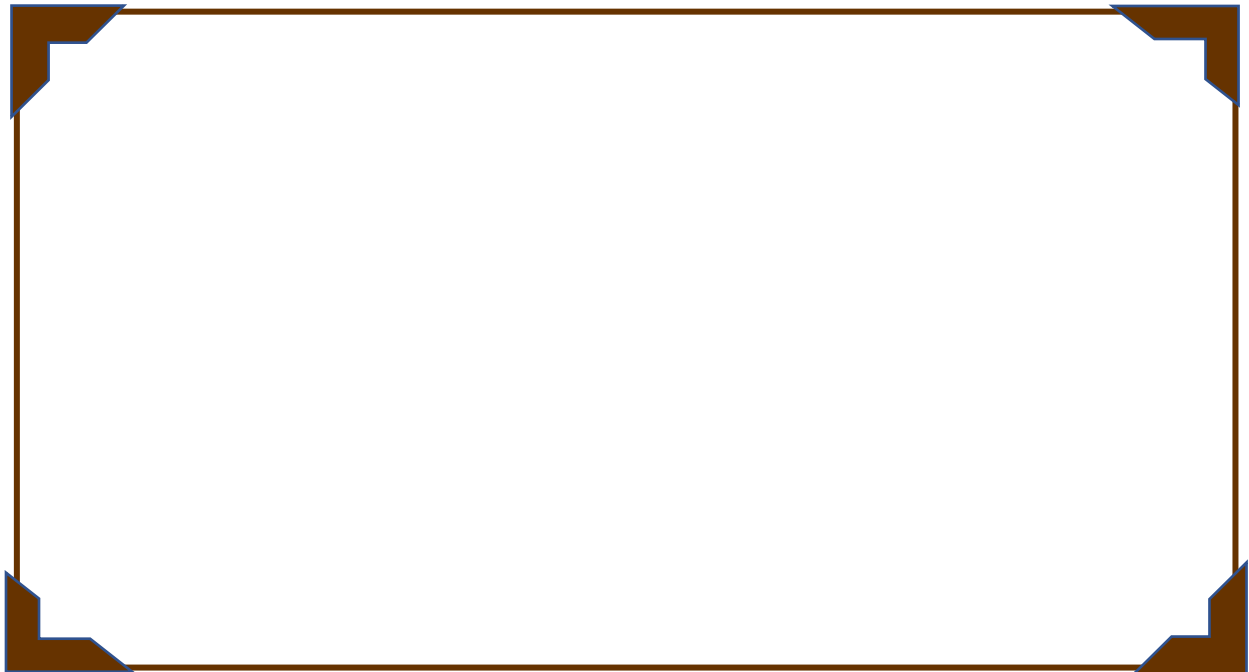
Frequency

Medical info (shots, allergies, surgeries, medications)

Veterinarian Contact Info

Other care considerations

Please affix a photo of your pet in the space below. Or attach a photo electronically in an email.



The person I choose as my **Pet Care Agent** for is:

First Choice Name

Phone

Address

City, State, Zip Code

If this person is unable or unwilling to follow my ideal pet care wishes, then my next choice is:

Second Choice Name

Phone

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Please cross out anything you don't want your Agent to do among the items listed below and provide your initials there.

I allow my **Pet Care Agent** to make health care decisions for my pet such as:

- Needed medical services, tests, medicines or surgery. This care or service is a recommendation to identify a health problem/s and how it can be treated.
- Make decisions about maintaining life or securing medical aid in dying.
- Admission to an animal clinic or other facility as needed to maintain health. My Agent can also fire an animal care practitioner if needed.
- Authorize or refuse to authorize any medication or procedure needed to help manage pain.

List below any changes, additions or limitations on my **Pet Care Agent's** powers.

At the time of your pet's death, when that time comes, what would be the ideal manner of celebrating their loyalty and life?

Memorial service at this location:

which could include: music, family members, friends, photos, best memories, flowers, animal care providers, and/or:

Cremation/Burial at this location:

In memoriam donations can be made to:

A memorial marker at this location:

Other (please write in other thoughts/preferences)



What to do after you complete your **Pet Care Wishes** document:

- Sign the form.
- Talk about your **Pet Care Wishes** with your Pet Care Agent, family members and others who care about your pet. Determine if financial assistance is helpful and make those arrangements. Give them copies of your **Pet Care Wishes**.
- Provide a copy to your veterinarian.
- List here those you wish to give copies of your completed **Pet Care Wishes** document:

If your health situation changes and you are once again able to care for your pet, contact your Pet Care Agent about returning your pet. Wishing you a very happy reunion!

Signature

Date

