



## **WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE OF LIABILITY, AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

I, the undersigned (“Owner” or “Releasing Party”), understand that participation in services and activities at **Carolina Canine College**, including but not limited to boarding, daycare, training, grooming, retail interactions, transport, handling, and any related activities (collectively, “Services”), involves inherent risks to myself, my dog or dogs, my family members, my guests, and third parties.

I acknowledge and understand that dogs are unpredictable and may act aggressively, even if previously well behaved. I understand that interaction with other dogs, people, equipment, and the environment carry a risk of injury, illness, or property damage. I understand that risks include, but are not limited to, bites, scratches, puncture wounds, illness including contagious conditions, stress related conditions, escape, injury during play, grooming incidents, and unforeseen accidents. I voluntarily assume all risks, known and unknown, associated with my dog’s participation in any Services at **Carolina Canine College**.

I certify that my dog is in good health, free from contagious illness, and has no known conditions that would make participation unsafe. I certify that my dog’s vaccination records are current and accurate. I have disclosed any behavioral concerns, including aggression, anxiety, or bite history. I understand that failure to disclose such information may result in removal from Services without refund and may increase liability.

I authorize **Carolina Canine College** to seek veterinary care for my dog in the event of illness or injury if I cannot be reached. I agree to be fully responsible for all veterinary costs incurred. I understand that **Carolina Canine College** will make reasonable efforts to contact me prior to treatment but may act in the best interest of my dog if immediate care is required.

To the fullest extent permitted under South Carolina law, I hereby waive, release, discharge, and agree not to sue **Carolina Canine College**, its owners, members, managers, employees, contractors, agents, and representatives (“Released Parties”) from any and all claims, demands, damages, losses, or causes of action arising out of or related to injury, illness, or death of any person or dog, damage to property, incidents occurring during boarding, daycare, training, grooming, transport, or presence on the premises, and the actions of any dog, including my own. This release includes claims arising from the ordinary negligence of the Released Parties, but does not extend to gross negligence or willful misconduct where prohibited by law.

I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Released Parties from any and all claims, liabilities, damages, and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising from my dog's actions, my failure to disclose behavioral or medical issues, or any breach of this agreement.

I understand that dogs in daycare and boarding may be group housed or participate in supervised social play. I understand that minor injuries such as scratches, nicks, or punctures may occur despite supervision. I understand that separation from group play may occur at staff discretion for safety or behavioral reasons.

I acknowledge that grooming involves inherent risks, including but not limited to cuts, nicks, clipper irritation, or stress related reactions, and the possible aggravation of preexisting conditions. I agree that **Carolina Canine College** is not liable for such incidents when reasonable care is exercised.

I understand that **Carolina Canine College** is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged personal items, including but not limited to collars, leashes, bedding, toys, or accessories.

I understand that all fees are non-refundable and non-transferable unless otherwise stated in writing. I understand that missed services, classes, or reservations may be forfeited at the discretion of **Carolina Canine College**. I understand that reminder notifications are a courtesy only and that failure to receive a reminder does not confirm or guarantee that a reservation exists, and *I am responsible for verifying all bookings.*

I grant permission to **Carolina Canine College** to use photographs and or videos of myself and my dog for marketing, advertising, social media, and promotional purposes without compensation.

I agree not to reproduce, distribute, or share training materials without express written consent from **Carolina Canine College**.

This agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of South Carolina. If any provision is found unenforceable, all remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. This document constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and may only be modified in writing signed by both parties.

I certify that I have read and fully understand this agreement, that I have had the opportunity to ask questions and to consult an attorney or otherwise obtain legal advice, and that I voluntarily agree to all terms. I understand that my electronic or typed signature is legally binding and equivalent to a handwritten signature.

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Releasing Party Name

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Releasing Party Signature

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Date