

## The Inn at Jolly Pond

### Boarding Requirements and Policies Form

This form is to be signed yearly in order to board your pets at The Inn. This signed form is to acknowledge the following Requirements as well as our Boarding policies and procedures.

**Boarding Requirements:** All pets must be up to date on annual vaccines, required tests, and have an annual exam with one of our veterinarians. Requirements for **DOGS** include: Rabies, Distemper (DHPP), Bordetella, a negative fecal test within the last year, and an annual Wellness Exam. Requirements for **CATS** include: Rabies, Distemper (FVRCP) and an annual Wellness Exam. **RABBITS** require an annual Wellness Exam with Dr. Brown. These requirements have been established in the interest of prevention of transmissible disease. Your pet must also be free of fleas and ticks. If not, flea treatment will be administered at the owner's expense. In addition, if the staff finds parasites (worms) in a pet's stool while boarding, the pet will be treated at the owner's expense.

**Vaccines while Boarding:** All pets must be current on annual vaccines prior to any boarding stay. You must schedule an appointment with a veterinarian for these yearly exams and vaccines before your pet's stay. If your pet needs a booster such as: Bordetella, Lyme, Leptospirosis, Flu, or a fecal or heartworm test, these can be given during a boarding stay without a doctor's exam included.

**Feeding:** Unless food is brought from home, all dogs are fed veterinarian approved dry or canned food. Please let us know if your pet has any food allergies, as sometimes pets do not eat their normal food while boarding and we may try to add something different to entice them to eat. We have a full size refrigerator and freezer, so please bring whatever you may need for your pet to stick to their normal at-home diet. Ask us for suggestions if you think your pet may not eat well while boarding. We do not accept rawhide material treats/bones of any kind.

**Medications:** We require that all medications come in their original prescription bottles. If you want to put the pills in a daily pill container, you may, but please also include the pill bottles in case of an emergency and we need to supply more medication. You should also bring whatever you use to administer the medications: peanut butter, cheese, pill pockets, etc. Please never put pills (even vitamins) in with pre-bagged food. Pets do not always eat pills and we want to ensure that they receive the medication they require.

**Personal Items:** You may bring personal items for your pet at your own risk. Understand that items may get lost or mixed up during the boarding stay. Please label items if you can with your LAST NAME. We provide comfortable bedding for all pets. If you bring bedding from home, it must be easily machine washable. We do not accept crates. Each cage or kennel that you reserve is much like a crate on its own, and pets seem very comfortable in them. We suggest bringing durable toys that pets cannot easily chew into pieces. If your pet does chew bedding or toys, we may take them away to prevent accidental ingestion.

**Bathing/Grooming:** All dogs staying a minimum of 3 nights can receive a complimentary bath before they go home. You must schedule a pick up time with us so that we know when to have your dog ready. If you do not specify a pick up time with us, your dog will be bathed the afternoon before. Nail trims and anal gland expressions may be scheduled while boarding at additional costs. We do not have a groomer on the premises; we can only provide a basic bath, hand blow dry (additional cost) and brushing. We can also provide these services for dogs that are staying less than 3 nights; please inquire for cost. If you do NOT wish your dog to receive the complimentary bath, please indicate that on the check-in sheet. Cats do not receive baths, but we can do nail trims on them.

**Owner Release:** I understand that full payment is due at the time of discharge. If someone else is picking up my pet, I will arrange to pre-pay at drop off, to call and pay by phone during my pets stay, or have the person picking up pay for me. I understand that boarding may be stressful to my pet, and a medical problem may arise. I authorize the attending veterinarian to administer the proper medical treatment required to ensure the health and safety of my pet, and I assume full responsibility for any expenses incurred. I acknowledge that even though my pet has been vaccinated against certain illnesses, they could still contract an illness while boarding. I also understand that there are times when there is no hospital or kennel staff in the building. If my pet is not picked up within 10 days of the scheduled discharge date and I have not spoken to staff about scheduling changes, Jolly Pond Veterinary Hospital will become the authorized agent for the animal.

I have read and understand the information listed above.

Owner's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_