



Doggy Day Break

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**SNAKE RIVER
ANIMAL SHELTER**

WELCOME!

First and foremost, THANK YOU for giving your time to our shelter dogs! By taking them out for just a few hours a day, our temporary residents can exert pent up energy as well as be mentally stimulated to new experiences and people! As a result of a Doggy Day Break, our dogs are less anxious or exuberant when they meet potential adopters, and they gain useful life skills that they wouldn't get from just sitting and waiting in the shelter. Another bonus is that people who are not likely to come into shelters are still able to see our available animals!

Important Phone Numbers and Contacts

Snake River Animal Shelter

208-523-4219

Send us a FB message after hours for quicker attention.

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In case of an emergency

Please call AND TEXT 208-206-7475 (Tuesday-Saturday) or 208-206-4735 (Sunday-Monday) and return the dog immediately.

*****All visits to the emergency clinic must be approved in advance*****

Emergencies that require immediate attention:

- Excessive vomiting or vomiting blood or green or yellow bile
- Vomiting combined with diarrhea and lethargy
- Difficulty breathing or very shallow or labored breathing
- Extreme lethargy - dog is barely moving or not moving at all
- Swelling of the face or eyes
- Prolapsed rectum
- Ingestion of something toxic
- Swollen or broken limbs
- Seizures
- Uncontrolled bleeding
- Sudden disorientation or incoordination
- Anything else that makes you think that your dog is in pain or in danger of passing away.

**Non-emergency concerns can be noted at
the time of drop-off.**

Before You Pick Up Your Doggy Date

1. Be prepared for anything. Remember, we don't know what many of these dogs have been through and how they have been treated. We try our very best to match you with a dog that we think will do well with you.
2. Remember that the dog must always be in control by an adult over the age of 18. While we welcome family outings, the leash must always be held by an adult and dogs and children should never be left unsupervised.
3. Ready your car with the appropriate amount of space for the dog. Depending on the dog, you may need enough space for a size appropriate crate, a friend to help contain the dog to the back seat, or a barrier to avoid the dog from getting to the driver and passenger seat.
4. **Please leave your own dog at home!** The goal of our day trips is to give the dog a break from the shelter and some one-on-one time with humans. Although most of our shelter dogs do well with other dogs and enjoy doggie playtime, we prefer these field trips are geared towards interacting with humans and not with other dogs.

Maintain a 20' distance from other dogs while out in public. Snake River Animal Shelter is not liable for the treatment or cost of vet bills incurred due to your actions.

5. If you plan to take your doggy date to your home, please check your fence line and property for holes, loose planks, poisonous plants, foxtails, and dangerous household items. Even if you have/had a dog that has never gotten loose, please don't assume that your property is secure. Do not leave your doggy date unattended in your backyard or home.

Snake River Animal Shelter will provide you with a leash, collar, poop bags, business cards, water bowl, crate if needed, and more!

IF YOUR DOGGY DATE GETS LOOSE:

Sometimes despite our best intentions, a dog will get loose. Please try not to panic. If you can see the dog, try calling them. Some of our more social guests may come right to you, but very often even social dogs get frightened once they get loose. You may be more successful calling them to get their attention and then walking in the opposite direction, kneeling, and pretending to dig in the ground like you've just found something extremely interesting. Reaching for a scared dog will often cause them to bolt and can also result in a bite, so please use caution and only reach for the dog if you feel you can safely do so.

If the dog is in an area that is secure but is so scared that they are growling at you, please call us so that we can help! If the dog is already running & panicked, they may not respond to you at all. Please try following them from a distance so that you can see the direction they are going and hopefully catch up to them once they have slowed down. If they enter a yard, garage, etc., please secure the area to make sure they can't bolt again before attempting to lure them to you. We understand that every circumstance is different and that luring the dog to you may not be possible, so please call us if this is the case!

IF A BITE OCCURS:

If the dog bites anyone (you included) we need to know right away. If the dog bites a stranger, please take all of their information so that we can contact them to fill out the appropriate paperwork. We will need you to document what happened and the location and severity of the wound. We are required by law to report any bites that break skin to the appropriate animal control agency. **We will also need to follow state laws for quarantine.** A bite is not an automatic reason for euthanasia, so please do not hesitate to report it. If you see any signs of aggression, even if it is very minor, please contact us immediately & promptly return to the shelter.

IF SOMEONE YOU MEET IS INTERESTED IN ADOPTING:

If you encounter someone who is interested in adopting your dog, please give them a business card and encourage them to go to the shelter and fill out an adoption application to get pre-approval. In general, the adoption fee for adult dogs (1-7 years old) is \$160+ tax. This fee includes the spay/neuter surgery, vaccinations, and microchip.

The majority of our adoptions occur because the dog is seen on our website or social media. It is very important that we have adorable photos, and if possible, a great video of your doggy date to help find them a new home!

Please share these at director@snakeriveranimalshelter.org or better yet, send them directly to us in a message on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/snakeriveranimalshelter>).

We need your help to make sure your doggy date is seen as much as possible!

AS A PARTICIPANT, YOU MUST AGREE TO:

- Always have the dog under YOUR supervisor.
- Never leave children unattended with any dog.
- Never allow a child under 18-years-old to hold the leash or be in physical control of the dog.
- Inform us if the dog bites anyone (you included) right away.
- Maintain a twenty-foot distance from other dogs while walking or in public – no dog-to-dog introductions.
- Keep the dog on leash unless confined in your home/backyard.
- Do not take the dog to off-leash dog areas or dog parks.
- Pick up and return the dog at the agreed upon times.
- Transport the dog in a safe manner by either being in a crate or safely restrained in a back seat.
- Report any behavior or medical concerns to the shelter.
- Provide the dog with adequate rest, shade, shelter & water.
- Utilize only positive reinforcement training (do not verbally or physically punish the dog)
- Always have a cell phone with you that can be used to contact you.
- Present the dog in a positive way to potential adopters and members of the public

Woo-Hoo! Doggy Day Break!

We love to see and hear about your adventures today and pictures of your day can help them find an awesome forever home.

If you post pics on social, please tag us:

Facebook: *@SnakeRiverAnimalShelter*

Instagram: *@srasanimalshelter*

Use the hashtag *#doggydaybreak #srasforeverhome*

You can also text photos to 208-360-7544.

Doggy Day Break Volunteer Information

Date _____ Your Age _____
First Name _____ Last Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____
Email _____
Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Key Questions: **PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR ANSWER**

1. What is your level of experience?
 - a. Never owned a dog.
 - b. Owned a dog but has not "trained" a dog in basic obedience.
 - c. Have completed basic obedience training with a dog.
 - d. Have completed intermediate or advanced training with a dog.

2. What type of outings do you plan on having?
 - a. Trips to your home: Apartment _____ House _____ Fenced Yard _____
 - b. Hikes/Local Parks/River Walk
 - c. Coffee/shopping
 - d. Other _____

3. Who Lives in Your Home & Will Interact with your Doggy Date?
 - a. Dogs _____
 - b. Cats _____
 - c. Children/ages _____
 - d. I will not be bringing any Doggy Dates to my home _____

4. Your Preferences:
 - a. Best Days of the Week: _____
 - b. Size/Weight of Dog: Small _____ Med _____ Large _____ Any _____
 - c. Energy Level: Low _____ Med _____ High _____ Any _____
 - d. Behavior: Easy _____ Mod _____ Challenging _____ Any _____

5. What Do You Need from Us?
 - a. Doggy seat belt _____
 - b. Crate _____
 - c. Other _____

6. Any Additional information we should know?

SNAKE RIVER ANIMAL SHELTER'S DOGGY DAY BREAK PROGRAM VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

Thank you for your interest in the Snake River Animal Shelter Doggy Day Break program. Doggy Day Out is a unique program that allows volunteers to take shelter dogs for a day-long outing. By participating in the Doggy Day Out program, I agree to the following:

I understand that volunteering with Snake River Animal Shelter will require me to physically encounter animals, and that there are risks associated with my volunteer activities, including but not limited to dog bites and/or scratches. I assume the risks and accept personal liability for any damage that might occur because of my volunteer activities. I HEREBY IRREVOCABLY RELEASE Snake River Animal Shelter, AND (2) ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AND VOLUNTEERS (collectively referred to as "Released Parties") FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS I MAY HAVE, OR WHICH MAY HEREAFTER ACCRUE TO ME, AGAINST RELEASED PARTIES FOR PERSONAL INJURY, INCLUDING DEATH, AND ALL PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS, ARISING OUT OF MY VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY WITH Snake River Animal Shelter.

I hereby agree to indemnify, defend, and hold the Released Parties harmless from all liability, losses, damages, judgments, or expenses, including attorneys' fees, that the Released Parties may sustain in connection with any third-party claims that arise out of my volunteer activities, whether such volunteer activities occur on Snake River Animal Shelter's premises, at my home, or elsewhere.

I UNDERSTAND THAT SNAKE RIVER ANIMAL SHELTER DOES NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR OR OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OR OTHER ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO MEDICAL, HEALTH, OR DISABILITY INSURANCE OF ANY NATURE IN THE EVENT OF MY INJURY, ILLNESS, OR DEATH, OR DAMAGE TO OR LOSS OF MY PROPERTY. I UNDERSTAND THAT SNAKE RIVER ANIMAL SHELTER DOES NOT PROVIDE WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE FOR VOLUNTEERS. AND HEREBY EXPRESSLY WAIVER ANY CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION OR LIABILITY ON THE PART OF SNAKE RIVER ANIMAL SHELTER IN THE EVENT OF ANY INJURY OR MEDICAL EXPENSE.

I agree that if I volunteer to transport any Snake River Animal Shelter animal(s) in my personal vehicle for any purpose, I will 1) maintain at least the state-required minimum amounts of automobile insurance on the vehicle, and 2) release, indemnify and hold the Released Parties harmless from any claims arising from and/or related in any way to such animal's presence in my vehicle.

I acknowledge and understand that I am a volunteer of Snake River Animal Shelter. I am not eligible for Snake River Animal Shelter's Workers' Compensation or any other type of compensation or employee benefit in connection with my volunteer activities.

By using the Snake River Animal Shelter tags or the #doggydaybreak hashtag in the images and other content I post on my social media accounts related to my volunteer activities, I hereby grant Snake River Animal Shelter a non-exclusive, fully paid, worldwide, perpetual license to use, modify, publicly perform, publicly display, and reproduce my photographs, name, and likeness solely for marketing and promotional purposes.

I certify that I am 18 years of age or older. I have received and read Snake River Animal

Shelter's current version of the Doggy Day Break Manual and agree to abide by its requirements and guidelines. Further, I specifically agree to the following:

1. To care for and treat humanely any dog given to me.
2. To keep the dog on leash unless confined in my home or securely fenced yard.
3. To use reasonable care to ensure the safety and well-being of the dog in my care, the safety of other dogs, and the people the dog comes into contact with.
4. To contact Snake River Animal Shelter if the dog exhibits symptoms that indicate a serious condition. Please see Snake River Animal Shelter's Doggy Day Break Manual for examples of potential emergencies.
5. To keep the dog under my direct supervision at all times during the volunteer activity.
6. To immediately notify Snake River Animal Shelter in the event of a missing or injured dog, if the dog bites any person or animal, or any other injury or accident that I witness or experience resulting from my volunteer activities.
7. That all dogs are the property of Snake River Animal Shelter and shall not be sold, given away, or adopted out without prior approval of Snake River Animal Shelter's authorized personnel.
8. To provide any change of my personal information, such as name, address, or phone number.

I understand that this Doggy Day Break Volunteer Agreement and Release is binding on my heirs, assigns and legal representatives. This Doggy Day Break Volunteer Agreement and Release form is executed by me voluntarily and without reliance upon any representation by any person.

By signing below, I acknowledge and represent that I have read and understood the this release, sign it voluntarily, and agree to the indemnity and waiver of liability above.

Volunteer's Printed Name

Volunteer's Signature

Date Signed

Manager or Director –
Snake River Animal Shelter

Date Signed