



**BOXER  
LOVERS  
RESCUE**

**BOXER PLAYDATE  
STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES**

## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

**As an extension of our Foster Program, the Boxer Playdate is focused on the dogs housed at the kennels. While we are always working with the dogs at the kennels and providing enrichment, the bottom line is the kennels are often scary, noisy, confining, and stressful for most dogs. This leads to unwanted behaviors that are not favorable to adopters.**

**A Boxer Playdate will allow the dog to have time away from the kennels. Volunteers will take a dog from the kennels to go on a car ride, a run, hike or a slow walk, to dog-friendly businesses or even to their own homes for some back yard playtime or a long snooze on the couch. Playdates will be for a minimum of 1 hour to the whole afternoon. Boxers love adventures!**

**The Boxer Playdate program will allow the dogs to unwind, reducing kennel stress. It will also give us valuable information on the dogs behavior outside the kennel environment and ideally help them find their forever home sooner.**

## **CRITERIA FOR DOG ELIGIBILITY**

- **Dogs must be housed at the kennels.**
- **Dogs must be 6 months old.**
- **Dogs must be healthy, showing no signs of illness.**
- **Dogs must be vaccinated and microchipped.**
- **Dogs must have no history of human aggression or injurious aggression to other dogs.**
- **Dogs must be able to walk on leash of his/her own. Dogs who balk, but can recover to resume forward are eligible.**

## **CRITERIA FOR FOSTER VOLUNTEER ELIGIBILITY**

- **Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, have their own reliable transportation and a cell phone.**
- **Volunteer must be physically capable of handling the dog.**
- **Must read and fully understand Boxer Playdate Operating Procedures**

- **Must sign the Boxer Playdate Agreement and Volunteer Release of Liability**
- **Volunteer must provide copy of a valid photo identification.**

## **PROCEDURE**

### **▪ SCHEDULING**

- **Eligible dogs may go on playdates any day of the week.**
- **Pick up is no earlier than 9:00 am and drop off is no later than 06:30 pm.**
- **Playdates must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance to ensure somebody will be at the kennels to check the dog out. (NOTE: we are looking at possibly starting a color code system that will allow advanced callers to check themselves out at any time)**
- **Volunteers will schedule a play date directly from our website**

### **▪ PICK UP**

- **Upon arrival on the first visit you will be required to review the program & required forms.**
- **After the initial visit, upon arrival you will enter through the gate by the BARK BLVD sign.**
- **All volunteers or visitors must sign in on the clipboard attached at the gate.**
- **Eligible dogs will be reviewed with you - we will work together to determine the best fit.**
- **Dogs information is available for your review at any time on their clipboard.**
- **Once you decide which dog you will be taking you will proceed through two gates to reach the kennel area. (Always double check gates making sure they close and latch behind you)**
- **Always remove and return dogs from the inside of the kennel building. Never use an outside run.**

- **All dogs must be dressed with a properly fitted martingale collar and harness before leaving the kennel building.**
- **Volunteers will be provided with a go bag that will contain the following:**
  - **Water bottle**
  - **collapsible bowl**
  - **poop bags**
  - **adopt me vest or bandana**
  - **doggie seat belt**
  - **emergency contact information**
- **Volunteers will sign out as leaving.**
  
- **PLAYDATE**
  - **Take lots of pictures/videos**
  - **Dogs are never allowed off-leash in any outdoor environment.**
  - **Leash must remain in volunteers hand at all times while outside**
  - **Pay attention to your surroundings and the dog – not talking or texting on phone**
  - **Avoid greeting any strange dogs. (Most dogs require slow intros)**
  - **Never leave dog alone with children.**
  
- **DROP OFF**
  - **All volunteers/visitors must sign in upon entering.**
  - **Walk dog back to inside kennel area. (Never use outside kennel runs)**
  - **Remove dogs harness and return dog to correct kennel**
  - **Return harness/leash to correct drawer**
  - **Turn in go bag – make sure all items are there.**

- **Fill out a quick card about the Playdate.**
- **Please email pictures and videos taken during the playdate to [info@boxerloversrescue.com](mailto:info@boxerloversrescue.com)**

▪ **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**

- **An emergency during a Playdate is defined as the dog escaping, becoming lost or biting a person or other animal**
- **In the event of an emergency the volunteer will immediately contact the numbers listed on Emergency Contact Card**
- **In the case of an escaped or lost dog**
  - **Take down your exact location or where dog was last seen**
  - **Do not chase but do try to keep the dog in sight**
  - **You will be advised on what action to take depending on the surrounding environment and the dog in question.**
- **In the case of a bite to a person or other animal**
  - **Record the name and contact information (both email and phone) of person involved.**
  - **Take pictures if possible**
  - **immediately return to the kennels without any further interaction with members of the public.**
  - **If the bite occurred to a person a Bite Form will need to be filled out**

**THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN OUR PLAYDATE PROGRAM**  
**WE APPRECIATE AND WELCOME ANY FEEDBACK THAT WILL**  
**BUILD A STRONGER PROGRAM AND COMMITMENT**



## **PLAYDATE AGREEMENT**

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**This Waiver and Release of Liability, Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement**

**("Agreement") is between the Volunteer and Boxer Lovers Rescue, PO Box 441 Kuna, Idaho 83634.**

**As a volunteer that is 18 years old or older, I hereby understand and agree to the following:**

**I agree that all dogs participating in the Playdate Program are the property of Boxer Lovers Rescue**

**I agree to return any dog I have signed out for a Playdate to the kennels at or before 6:30 PM.**

**I agree to be the only person in control of the dog and will not take the dog to any off leash areas or unsupervised with any person under the age of 18.**

**I will remain focused on the dog and my surroundings and not on the phone talking, texting or watching video's etc..**

**I agree to take pictures/videos during the playdate for Boxer Lovers to use for marketing the dog.**

**I understand the purpose of a playdate is to give the dogs time away from the kennels. It is not the time to meet other dogs.**

**I have been provided a copy of the Boxer Playdate SOP. I have read the SOP's and have no questions.**

**Signature of Volunteer**\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**\_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer Printed Name**\_\_\_\_\_

**Address**\_\_\_\_\_

**Email**\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone**\_\_\_\_\_



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**As a volunteer that is 18 years old or older, I hereby understand and agree to the following:**

**I agree to WAIVE and RELEASE Boxer Lovers Rescue from all liability, manner of actions, causes of action, debts, contracts, claims and demands for or by reason of any illness, death, damage, loss or injury to person and property, which has been or may be sustained as a direct or indirect consequence of the Volunteer's volunteering at or for Boxer Lovers Rescue and notwithstanding that such damage, death, illness, loss or injury may have been caused partly by the negligence of Boxer Lovers Rescue.**

**I agree to INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS Boxer Lovers Rescue for any costs or liabilities which they may incur because of my volunteering at or for Boxer Lovers Rescue. I acknowledge and agree that I have carefully read this Agreement, that I fully understand the Agreement, and that I freely and voluntarily execute the same. I understand that I may seek independent advice prior to signing this Agreement. I understand that this Agreement is binding on me, my spouse, my executors, administrators, personal representatives and assigns and that this Agreement has important legal consequences. The terms of this Agreement are contractual and not mere recitals. This Agreement will be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Idaho.**

**Signature of Volunteer\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_**

**Volunteer Printed Name\_\_\_\_\_**

**Address\_\_\_\_\_**

**Email\_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone\_\_\_\_\_**



## REPORT CARD

<b>VOLUNTEER NAME:</b>		<b>DOG NAME:</b>	
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>TIME OUT:</b>	<b>TIME IN:</b>	

**WHERE DID YOU GO?/WHAT DID YOU DO?**

**DESCRIBE DOGS OVERALL BEHAVIOR/ENERGY LEVEL**

**DESCRIBE DOGS LEASH SKILLS**

**DOES DOG KNOW ANY COMMANDS**

**HOW DID DOG REACT TO OTHER ANIMALS**

**HOW DID DOG REACT TO PEOPLE/STRANGERS**

**DESCRIBE DOGS PERSONALITY/TEMPERAMENT**