

Pearlheart's Seattle Sphynx Cattery



CONTRACT

Seller: _____
Date of Sale: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State: _____
Zip Code: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

Buyer: _____
Date of Sale: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State: _____
Zip Code: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

Description of Kitten: _____
Colour: _____
Sex: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Sire: _____
Dam: _____

On _____, a deposit of \$ _____ has been received from the buyer to the seller. This amount is applied to the kitten described above, and the remaining amount of \$ _____ must be paid by _____. The kitten will be ready to go home on _____.

The deposit is nonrefundable if the buyer for some reason is unable to take the kitten home, as it is more difficult to find the kitten a new home in a timely manner, especially while keeping the kitten at a young and favorable age. The deposit cannot be used toward another kitten.

The exact date will be confirmed after the last veterinary appointment has been scheduled. Although the breeder provides an estimated date for the kitten's availability, the buyer acknowledges that this date is subject to change based on the kitten's health, development, and veterinary care, and agrees to remain flexible and accommodate changes to the pickup schedule if necessary.

The buyer agrees to pick up the kitten within 7 days after its final veterinary appointment, which will be communicated by the breeder. If the kitten is not picked up within

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this time frame, the buyer will be subject to a non-negotiable boarding fee of \$100 per day for each day that the kitten remains in the breeder's care beyond the agreed pickup window. Unless arrangements can be made and agreed upon between both the buyer and seller in advance, there are no exceptions.

Buyer Agrees to the Following:

The seller guarantees that the kitten is in good health and free of FeLV/FIV when leaving Pearlheart's Sphynx Cattery. The seller provides a 72-hour guarantee that the kitten is in fact in good health, and for this claim to be valid, the kitten must be examined by a licensed veterinarian within the 72-hour window and quarantined from all other animals. Failure to have the kitten examined by a licensed veterinarian within the 72-hour window will void this guarantee. After 72 hours, the seller cannot be held accountable for any future diagnosis of FeLV, FIV, or any other bacterial or viral infectious diseases, parasites, giardia, or fungi, as these can be contracted anywhere in the environment after leaving the cattery, and are not the result of genetics or breeding. The kitten cannot be returned after 72 hours unless there is proof of a life-threatening condition.

Pearlheart's accepts responsibility for the protection of the kitten against lethal genetic or congenital defects for one year following the date of the purchase. If the kitten should die during this one year, the kitten shall be replaced with a kitten of comparable quality as soon as available. It is in the seller's right to request a necropsy by a licensed veterinary pathologist stating the cause of death is beyond doubt due to a genetic or congenital defect.

While both parents of the kitten are screened and tested negative for Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy (HCM) with a cardiologist to the best of our knowledge and screening practices, it is important to understand that no test can offer a 100% health guarantee of a kitten. We are committed to responsible breeding and take every precaution to minimize the risk of inherited conditions, but health issues may still arise despite our best efforts.

If the kitten has a life-threatening condition, there are 2 options:

1. Return the kitten and get a refund, minus the deposit.

OR

2. Keep the kitten and get a 50% refund, minus the deposit _____ **(Initials here)**.

Under no circumstances will this kitten be sold, leased, or given away to any pet store, animal shelter, research laboratory, or similar facility. This kitten will be kept as an indoors only animal and will not be allowed to roam freely outdoors. NO declawing and NO tattoos are permitted on the kitten. *Please note that a small spay or neuter identification tattoo performed by a licensed veterinarian is exempt from this clause.* _____ **(Initials here)**.

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The kitten will leave with 2 sets of age-appropriate vaccinations & deworming treatments. The buyer accepts full responsibility for arranging and covering any costs of additional veterinary care of the kitten following the transfer. If the kitten is sold without breeding rights, the TICA registration papers will be held by the seller until the buyer alters the kitten by 8 months of age. The 8-month mark is defined as exactly eight months from the kitten's date of birth. Failure to spay or neuter the kitten will result in a non-negotiable \$1,000 breeding fee, regardless of the timing of the procedure, if performed after this deadline.

Sphynx kittens are naturally smaller and more sensitive compared to other breeds. Because of their low weight at 12 weeks of age, they are more vulnerable to anesthesia. For this reason, we strongly recommend waiting until approximately 6 months of age before proceeding with the procedure.

If cargo shipping is required, all shipping arrangements will be coordinated by the seller. The buyer is responsible for covering all shipping-related costs **in full prior to the scheduled shipping date**. This includes, but is not limited to, shipping airfare, rabies vaccination, health certificate, and an approved carrier. All shipping fees and associated costs are **in addition** to the kitten's purchase price. Shipping-related prices are subject to change in the event of airline or service markups.

The seller will not release the kitten for transport until payment has been received in full. Once the kitten has been accepted by the chosen airline carrier, the seller is no longer responsible for any loss, theft, injury, delay, or death that may occur during transit. In such cases, it is solely the buyer's responsibility to file a claim directly with the airline carrier.

The buyer is aware that the degree of hairlessness varies from cat to cat, and that no sphynx is completely hairless. Even if the kitten may seem to be completely hairless when sold, it is possible for the kitten to develop hair as it grows, and this is not unusual. Hormones, genetics, and climate can play a role in the hairlessness of a kitten.

We reserve the right to refuse service at any time.

This contract is legally binding. In signing the document below, the buyer agrees that they have read and fully agree to ALL the terms and conditions stated above:

Seller _____ Date _____

Buyer _____ Date _____