**South Bay Dog Training Center**

**Grooming Release Form**

**Pet’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Health or Medical Problems**

Occasionally, grooming can expose a hidden medical problem or aggravate a current one. This can occur during or after grooming. Please make sure to alert South Bay Dog Training Center of any current or past issues so that they may keep an eye out for them. All medical expenses for veterinary care will be covered by the pet’s owner upon signing this contract/agreement.

**Pet Owner’s Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Accidents**

Although accidents are very rare, there is a risk when dealing with animals. Grooming equipment is sharp, and although extreme caution used in all situations, possible problems could occur including cuts, nicks, scratches, quacking of nails, etc. In most cases this can happen when an animal is wiggling or moving around.

Your pet’s safety and comfort is the number one priority for South Bay Dog Training Center. In the event an accident does occur, you will be notified of the accident. If South Bay Dog Training Center feels it is a serious and the owner is not on site, South Bay Dog Training Center will seek immediate veterinary care for your pet with the closest vet clinic.

**Pet Owner’s Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Veterinarian Authorization (Medical Emergencies)**

This release gives South Bay Dog Training Center full authorization to seek medical treatment from the nearest vet clinic in case of any medical emergencies while in care of her.

**Pet Owner’s Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Vaccinations**

All pets are REQUIRED to be up to date on all vaccinations in order to receive grooming services. Thank you for your understanding.

 Rabies Distemper Parvo Bordetella Canine Influenza Virus (both H3N2/H3N8) Leptospirosis

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**Flea and Tick**

South Bay Dog Training Center strives to have a flea free facility. If your pet has any fleas, they will be given a flea bath at your expense of $25 (depending on the size of the dog). If you do not want them to receive one, you can reschedule your appointment after the problem has been taken care of by you.

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**Dangerous and Aggressive Animals**

South Bay Dog Training Center has the right to refuse any services at any time. In the event that your pet is too stressed or becomes dangerous to safely groom, the South Bay Dog Training Center groomer and South Bay Dog Training Center has the right to refuse grooming services, stop grooming services or cancel grooming services at any time before, during and/or after grooming. There will be a service fee for what was done up to that point.

**Pet Owner’s Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Muzzles**

Muzzling does not harm your pet. As a matter of fact, it helps to protect both your pet and the groomer. In some cases, muzzling may even help to calm a stressed animal, allowing the grooming to continue. If your pet still acts in a way that is dangerous, South Bay Dog Training Center has the right to stop grooming services at any time and a service fee will be charged. South Bay Dog Training Center will not muzzle unless it is absolutely necessary. Other methods will first be utilized to attempt to calm your dog. South Bay Dog Training Center emphasizes that muzzling is a last resort. Dogs requiring a muzzle to help manage them will be charged an extra $15 handling fee to ensure safety of dog and groomer. The utilization of muzzles and additional fee will require the prior approval from South Bay Dog Training Center.

**Pet Owner’s Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Matted Coats**

Animals with severely matted coats require extra attention. Mats in an animal’s coat grow tight, and can ultimately damage and tear the animal’s skin, which provides a breeding ground for parasitical infections.

South Bay Dog Training Center will not cause serious or undue stress to your pet by de-matting. Mats can be very difficult to remove and may require the pet to be shaved. Removing a heavily matted coat can cause nicks, cuts or abrasions due to skin growths trapped in the mats. Heavy matting can also trap moisture and urine near the pet’s skin allowing mold, fungus or bacteria to grow, producing skin irritations that existed prior to the grooming process.

After effects of de-matting can include itchiness, skin redness, self-inflicted irritations or abrasions and failure of hair to regrow.

**Pet Owner’s Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Cancellations/No Shows**

If you are going to miss your appointment for any reason, please contact South Bay Dog Training Center as soon as possible. South Bay Dog Training Center requires a 24 hour notice for all cancellations or reschedules to allow me time to fill the space with a customer from my waiting list. South Bay Dog Training Center will hold grooming appointments for 15 minutes past the scheduled drop off time. Appointments later than 15 minutes may be released based on demand. No shows and cancellations with less than the required 24 hour notice will incur a fee of $35.

**Pet Owner’s Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Photographs**

This release authorizes South Bay Dog Training Center to take photos of your pet for client file and my website, Facebook, Yelp, Google and other social media platforms.

**Pet Owner’s Initials:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**I have reviewed this Service Contract for accuracy and understand. The contents of this contract. I affirm that I am the rightful legal owner of the dog(s) for which services are being rendered. I authorize this signed contract to be valid approval for future grooming services, permitting South Bay Dog Training Center** **to accept future telephone reservations for grooming services without additional signed contracts or written authorizations. I understand that pricing is subject to change. This agreement is valid for all pets that I currently own or will own in the future.**

**Pet Owners Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Pet Owners Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**