



## **Sheracoons Maine Coons Cats & Kittens Contract**

Lisa Baron

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This Maine Coon cat/kitten is being sold as PET ONLY to the approved Buyer ONLY, as listed on this contract. Ownership cannot be transferred to any other person without prior approval from Sheracoons Maine Coons. who must be given first right to rehome the cat/kitten.

This is a family first cattery. Simply put, our cats are our family members, they are cared for and treated as such. The fact that they can and do breed is a bonus. There is nothing that comes before their health, safety and happiness. They live the life of luxury. All kittens are properly socialized before they go home. This is very important, as the breed has a great reputation of being very friendly, who like and want to be near their chosen human(s)! Our kittens are never caged and want for nothing. It is suggested that there should be another animal in the home (kitten, cat, dog), so they have someone to bond and play with while the humans are gone to work for the day, etc.

This contract will be fully enforced in the state of Maryland, county of residency of Sheracoons and reproduced in the state that buyer resides in and fully enforced to the letter of the law.

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| Seller: Lisa Baron  | Buyer:   |
| Address:<br>Columbia, MD 21045  | Address: |
| Phone: (443)812-2464  | Phone:   |
| Email: <a href="mailto:sheramom07@yahoo.com">sheramom07@yahoo.com</a> | Email:   |

Description of Kitten/Cat:

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Sire: \_\_\_\_\_ Dam: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Kitten/Cat (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Color/Pattern: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit Amount:     \$500.00     Purchase Price: \_\_\_\_\_

This cat or kitten is Registered with: TICA

No cat or kitten sold from Sheracoons cattery will ever be sold, given away, placed in a shelter, sold to a pet store, given to a laboratory or anywhere else without prior permission from the breeder, Lisa Baron.

If for any reason Buyer does not take possession of cat/kitten by specified pick up date, ceases to reciprocate Seller's communication attempts, or becomes unreachable by Seller, the Seller reserves the right to sell cat/kitten to another approved home and no monies will be refunded. If the buyer does a chargeback for any money's seller reserves the right to come claim back ownership of the kitten/cat immediately.

A Deposit is required within 48 hours upon approval of Kitten Application and to choose a particular kitten. Should we not receive Deposit within 48 hours of approval notification, we reserve the right to move on to the next approved applicant.

Deposits are non-refundable and will be applied toward the total price of the kitten.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initials) In the event that your chosen kitten has become unavailable due to circumstances beyond the breeders control your deposit will then be transferred to another kitten as per this agreement. No others are warranties are expressly implied or guaranteed as we are dealing with a living animal.

However, a deposit can be transferred to another available kitten if the new choice is made before the previously chosen kitten reaches 8 weeks of age. The buyer can also wait for another litter to be born and will have the pick of that litter if he/she so chooses up to one (1) year after deposit has been placed.

Kittens may go to their new homes between 12-14 weeks of age at Seller's discretion.

Remaining Balance Owed is preferred to have paid 2 weeks prior to pick up of kitten.

At time of pick-up/delivery, Remaining balance owed to be paid in cash ONLY, (except for pet nanny deliveries). We DO NOT accept Checks.

If we have agreed to extend the delivery or pickup date there will be a boarding be applied of \$10 per day or \$100 per week. The buyer is responsible for any costs of transporting the kitten. However, the breeder may assist in making travel arrangements as needed.

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Prior to the delivery of kitten/cat, Seller reserves the right, at any time and for any reason, to terminate or modify this contract.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initials)All monies paid, including the \$500.00 NOT transferable to any other parties, nor are they in ANYWAY refundable. I FULLY understand and accept this

**Payment Information:**

**Deposit:**

Cash, PayPal, Venmo & Zelle are acceptable forms of payments for Deposits.

- Deposits made with PayPal, add PayPal charge of \$17 , please make sure to include their fees.
- For Venmo Payments if using Friends & Family, no fees are charged.
- If utilizing Venmo Business option, please add \$9 to your payment for fees.

**Final and/or Multiple Payments:**

Cash, Venmo & Zelle are acceptable for all other forms of payments.

- We DO NOT accept PayPal for installments or Final Payment for your kitten
- Prepayment of kitten in full is accepted, as well as any, or as many, payments at any time the Buyer wishes to for their convenience through Venmo or Zelle only.
- For Venmo Payments if using Friends & Family, no fees are charged. If utilizing Business option, please add \$9 to your payment for fees.
- Remaining Balance Owed is preferred to have paid 2 weeks prior to pick up of kitten.
- At time of pick-up/delivery, Remaining balance owed to be paid in cash ONLY. We DO NOT accept Checks.

PayPal: [tryingfornumber7@verizon.net](mailto:tryingfornumber7@verizon.net)

Zelle: 443-812-2464

Venmo: @lisa-baron-0

**Conditions of the Sale:**

- To the best of Seller's knowledge, Buyer is receiving a healthy cat/kitten free from any serious genetic deficiencies and not harboring any disease, virus or parasites.
  - Since cat/kitten is a living animal, Breeder cannot guarantee a lifetime of health for this animal, nor that it will not contract some form of illness, fungus, virus, or parasites at some point in its lifetime. Therefore, this cat/kitten is being sold "as is".
  - Fecal tests are done randomly, at least 1 time per every 60 to 90 days. IF you want one done, there is an additional \$80

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- Seller assumes no responsibility for this cat/kitten after it leaves the premises, and it then becomes the Buyers responsibility for all veterinary care, medical expenses, landlord disapproval, family disagreement, mortality, animal allergies, coccidiosis, internal and external parasites, fungus, or any other reason not specified in this document.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initials) Kittens can be very hard to sex. I have had a few, where even the vet got it wrong. THIS IS NOT INTENTIONAL! ERRORS MUST BE brought TO BREEDER WITHIN 48 HOURS OF GOING HOME! AFTER THAT BREEDER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE.

- Gender determination of kittens can be difficult and mistaken at times. Seller is not responsible if the gender determination of kitten is incorrect. Seller assumes no responsibility for this cat/kitten after it leaves the premises, and it then becomes the Buyers responsibility for all veterinary care, medical expenses, landlord disapproval, family disagreement, mortality, animal allergies, coccidiosis, internal and external parasites, fungus, or any other reason not specified in this document.

\_\_\_\_\_(initials) Kittens may stress with the change of location, diet, etc. This could consist of sneezing, runny eyes/nose, or possible diarrhea. This is not serious and should go away in a few days on its own. During the initial adjustment period kittens do best when confined to a quiet room with carrier, food/ water, & litter box easily accessible

\_\_\_\_\_(initials) When you bring home your new kitten it is not advisable to allow them to interact with other animals immediately. They should be quarantined for a period of time until they are used to your home and a slow introduction is always recommended. Animals stress when going to their new home. It is a period of huge change for them.

- Kitten must be seen within 72 hours by a licensed veterinarian after pickup/delivery EXCEPT Sundays and Holidays. If kitten is not seen within the 72 hours, Warranty is void.
- The cat will not be denied necessary medical attention. If the owner is unsure whether the animal needs medical services, a vet will be contacted, the situation will be explained, and the vet's advice will be acted upon.
- The cat will not be allowed outside. Contact with outside cats or unvetted indoor cats will void the health guarantee.
  - Unvetted cats can carry diseases that are not treatable, and you wouldn't want to lose your beloved Maine Coon! Allowing the kitten outdoors or exposing to Outdoor Cats before it has been fully vaccinated exposes them to panleukopenia, a deadly virus for which there no treatment.
  - Kittens are extremely susceptible to many serious viruses and can become very ill and it is for these reasons we state in our contract that you do not allow your kitten or cat outside except when transporting to the vet.
  - We cannot be held liable or responsible should they contract anything after leaving our cattery and this will void our health and genetic guarantee. Additionally, should you allow the exposure of other diseased cats this will also void our health guarantee as well.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initials) **The Kitten/cat will NEVER BE DECLAWED.** This is an unnecessary, and barbaric surgery that will cause permanent damage to their paws. There are plenty of other options to reduce scratching, and negative behavior. In doing so, will result in losing said animal back to the breeder, and you will get no refund, and will not be allowed ever adopt another kitten/cat from breeder. This is for life.

- The cat will receive frequent and kind human attention and not be neglected or mistreated. Maine Coons love attention!
- \_\_\_\_\_(Initials) I understand the breeder will have first rights to take this kitten back at anytime due to unforeseen circumstances and you must contact the breeder first before attempting to give up or rehome this kitten. If breeder finds out kitten has been sold or rehomed without first being offered to the breeder a fine of \$2500 will be due the breeder within 30 days.
- No cat/kitten from this cattery may be sold or given to an animal shelter, a pet store, abandoned, or given to a laboratory!!

### Alterations/Breeding

- Kittens and cats purchased from Sheracoons Maine Coons MUST be altered at the expense of the Buyer.
  - Females, recommended age of 6-9 months, no later than 1 year from birth
    - This is our recommended age due to studies that show that removing hormones too early leads to health & bone issues later in life.
  - Males, recommended age of 7-10 months, no later than 1 year from birth
    - This is our recommended age due to studies that show that removing hormones too early leads to health & bone issues later in life.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial) I, the buyer understand that should I have my kitten spayed/neutered before the recommended age as stated in this contract, contract is void.
  - TICA Registration paperwork will be provided upon receipt of Proof of Alteration from a licensed Veterinarian on their letterhead within 1 year Birth Date of Kitten/Cat. This will be verified.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial) Once verified, papers will be issued within 90 days. Failure to provide paperwork by the age of one year will be an automatic judgement for \$6000 plus court fees. It will be fully enforced in the state of Maryland and reproduced in the state that buyer resides in and fully enforced to the letter of the law.
- At NO time are any Sheracoons Maine Coon kittens to be used for breeding without express written/registered consent of Sheracoons Maine Coons.
  - If we find that any cats or kittens have been sold, or are intentionally, or unintentionally, being bred, the Buyer of said animal will pay the full breeding right fee according to that specific litter, and then again for each time breeding occurs.
  - The fees are as following: \$3000 for each breeding, plus \$2000 for each kitten born, whether they are full blood or mixed.
  - Sheracoons Maine Coons retains the rights to take legal action to receive these fees if not paid in full within 30 days of finding a cat or kitten has been sold or bred.
  - All legal fees will be at the expense of the Buyer of the kitten or cat purchased from Sheracoons Maine Coons.

### Vaccinations:

Your kitten has received his or her first two FVRCP vaccines and in some cases the full series and his or her rabies depending on the age. They have also been dewormed 3-4 times.

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If the cat is exposed to cats who are being shown, and/or cats new to the household, we recommend it be vaccinated with a booster vaccine at six-month intervals.

We strongly recommend you do not let your kitten associate with any outdoor cats or unvetted indoor cats, this will also void our Health Guarantee.

Buyer agrees not to board kitten until kitten has completed series of core vaccines which include FVRCP and rabies vaccines. If kitten has been boarded before vaccines have been completed contract is voided.

Cats can easily transmit the very common coronavirus (similar to the human cold) and in some 5% of cats, this virus can mutate into FIP, currently incurable, however there are treatments available. Should your kitten contract the mutated form of FIP buyer will contact the breeder and will not put the kitten to sleep.

We recommend giving only the core vaccines which are the FVRCP and rabies vaccines and spacing out vaccines, not giving more than 1 vaccine at a time as this can be a lot on your kitten or cats' immune system and cause a vaccine reaction.

We do not recommend the Feline Leukemia vaccine as there have been known to be severe side effects with it.

### **Health Guarantee:**

- To the best of our knowledge, our kittens are free of genetic defects at the time of sale and copies of the veterinary records/shots will be sent home with the Buyer as well as a veterinary health certificate from our veterinarian.
- If anything is discovered later in life (diabetes, hypertension) the buyer agrees to let the breeder know about it because it helps everyone be able to better the line and head off any possible issues later on.
- Parents are tested for HCM, SMA, PK Def, FELV/FIV
- Your kitten DOES NOT come microchipped.
- Our Health guarantee covers viral and bacterial diseases for 3 days after Buyer receives the kitten.
  - Kitten must be seen within 72 hours by a licensed veterinarian after pickup/delivery EXCEPT Sundays and Holidays
  - **If during this time your cat/kitten seems ill, it should be examined by your veterinarian. If the vet feels that the animal is ill and that the illness was present prior to sale, the Breeder should be contacted at once, before any major treatment has begun (except in emergency situations). No veterinary fees will be reimbursed as Trupanion health insurance is given free for 30 days to help cover such unexpected expenses, however you do have option of returning the kitten as well for a full refund of the purchase price. After 72 hours this option is no longer valid.**
- Seller guarantees that kittens parents are free of HCM, SMA, and PKDEF the time of the sale. We do test the parents however this does not always guarantee that your kitten will never get these. It just means that your kitten does not have the markers present to be predispositioned to get these genetic conditions.
  - In the event, HCM, SMA, PKDef or a Genetic Condition such as Hip Dysplasia is found and documented by a licensed veterinarian within 1 year, and the condition is expected to result in death, the breeder agrees to replace the kitten.
  - A statement from a veterinarian is required for proof of any genetic issue and a necropsy.

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- No medical or shipping costs will be refunded. We do NOT reimburse for any medical or veterinarian costs or other costs related to the kitten. This is why we highly recommend having insurance and why is it mandatory to use your insurance policy within 24 hrs of going home with your new kitten. Failure to do so will void the health guarantee of the contract.
- The guarantee will be free replacement of a similar kitten.
- The buyer accepts all legal and financial responsibilities for this kitten once final payment has been made.
- **All kittens go home with 30 days of FREE TRUPANION health insurance. This MUST be activated the day before, day of, or day after your kitten leaves. PIN CODE is: BR1SC3122**

All veterinarian fees are the sole responsibility of the buyer. In case of illness, the Breeder must be notified immediately by phone, or this guarantee is null and void. The kitten is guaranteed free from life threatening genetic defects for 1 year from date of sale.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initials) The breeder’s liability will not exceed the purchase price the adopter paid

**Non-Disparagement Agreement.**

No Negative Postings.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initial) I, The Buyer, understand that if I have an issue or concern regarding my kitten, Sheracoons, Lisa Baron, or in any way related to this contract or my purchase of a kitten, my remedies are limited to binding arbitration, as set forth above. I agree that under no circumstances will I utilize the internet, any form of social media, any written advertising, or speak to anyone, other than an arbitrator, my lawyer, or my vet, to express such concerns.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initial) I, The Buyer understands that this contract will be fully enforced in the state of Maryland, county of residency of Sheracoons and reproduced in the state that buyer resides in and fully enforced to the letter of the law.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initial) I, The Buyer, understand that the negative impact of such written statements, even if true, cannot be measured, and therefore agree to liquidated damages in the amount of \$500 per day for each day such negative statements posted by me or at my direction remain public.

\_\_\_\_\_(Initial) I, The Buyer, will never post any negative information (even if true) regarding my kitten, Sheracoons, Lisa Baron, or any matter related to this Contract.

We, the signing parties, consider this document to be legally binding. All parties must initial any changes or additions to this contract.

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| Breeder/Seller: Lisa Baron  | Purchaser’s Name: |
| Email: <a href="mailto:sheramom07@yahoo.com">sheramom07@yahoo.com</a> | Email:            |
| Date:   | Date:             |
| Signature:  | Signature:        |

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**Congratulations on your purchase of a Sheracoons Maine Coon. You'll be getting an amazing Maine Coon with excellent bloodlines and pedigree.**

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