VELVET BELLY

DOG GROOMING LLC

GROOMING CONSENT & RELEASE WAIVER

Valid for One Year from Date of Signature

CLIENT & PET INFORMATION

Owner Name: _____	**Pet Name:** _____
Phone: _____	**Breed / Age:** _____
Email: _____	**Veterinarian:** _____
Address: _____	**Emergency Contact / Phone:** _____

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOUR PET

Your pet's comfort, safety, and well-being are our highest priorities. This agreement helps us provide safe, professional care and clear communication.

1. CONSENT FOR GROOMING SERVICES

I am the legal owner or authorized caretaker of the pet identified above. I authorize Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC to provide requested grooming services, which may include bathing, drying, brushing, de-shedding, nail care, ear cleaning, clipping, scissoring, and related handling.

Owner Initials: _____

2. EMERGENCY VETERINARY CARE

In the unlikely event of illness, injury, or a medical emergency, I authorize Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC to seek veterinary care for my pet if I cannot be reached promptly. Every reasonable effort will be made to contact me first. I accept responsibility for veterinary, transportation, and related expenses. I release Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC from liability for good-faith efforts to obtain emergency care, except in cases of gross negligence, reckless conduct, or intentional misconduct.

Owner Initials: _____

3. HEALTH & VACCINATION INFORMATION

I certify that my pet is healthy enough for grooming and current on legally required vaccinations. I will disclose known medical conditions, medications, allergies, injuries, heart conditions, seizures, mobility limitations, recent surgeries, pregnancy, contagious conditions, behavioral concerns, and handling sensitivities. I understand grooming may be stressful and may reveal or aggravate an underlying or previously unknown condition.

Owner Initials: _____

4. SENIOR & SPECIAL-NEEDS PETS

I understand that senior pets and pets with health concerns may face increased risk of stress or complications during routine grooming. I authorize Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC to use reasonable care and professional judgment, including modifying or discontinuing services when needed for my pet's safety.

Owner Initials: _____

5. COAT CONDITION & MATTING

My pet's comfort takes priority over maintaining coat length. If the coat is matted, I authorize humane mat removal, including shaving when necessary. I understand matting may conceal skin problems and increase the chance of redness, irritation, clipper burn, minor cuts, or abrasions. Additional fees may apply for the extra time and care required.

Owner Initials: _____

6. BEHAVIOR & SAFETY

I understand that even well-behaved pets may react unexpectedly during grooming. I will disclose any history of anxiety, aggression, biting, scratching, or sensitivity to handling. Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC may refuse, modify, reschedule, or discontinue services when a pet's condition or behavior creates a safety concern. Charges may apply for work already completed. Bites requiring medical attention may be reported as required by law.

I accept responsibility for reasonable losses, damages, medical expenses, or property damage caused by my pet's behavior.

Owner Initials: _____

7. FLEA & TICK POLICY

Is your pet currently on flea and tick prevention? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Type: ☐ Oral ☐ Topical ☐ Other: _____

If fleas or ticks are discovered, I authorize reasonable measures to protect my pet and other animals in the salon. Additional fees may apply. Repeated infestations may result in refusal of future services.

Owner Initials: _____

8. APPOINTMENT POLICY

I understand that at least 24 hours' notice is requested for cancellations or rescheduling. Missed appointments, late cancellations, late arrivals, or delayed pickups may be subject to fees under Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC's current salon policies.

Owner Initials: _____

9. PHOTO & MEDIA RELEASE

☐ **YES, I authorize** Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC to photograph or record my pet and use the images for lawful business purposes, including social media, website content, advertising, and promotional materials, without compensation.

☐ **NO, I do not authorize** the use of my pet's image for marketing or promotional purposes.

No identifying personal information about me will be published without separate permission.

Owner Initials: _____

10. ACKNOWLEDGMENT, ASSUMPTION OF RISK & RELEASE

I understand that professional grooming involves live animals and inherent risks that cannot be completely eliminated despite reasonable care and professional handling. These may include stress, sudden movement, minor cuts or abrasions, nail quicking, skin or clipper irritation, product reactions, and aggravation of pre-existing conditions.

In consideration for grooming services, I voluntarily assume these ordinary risks and agree to release and hold harmless Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC, its owners, employees, contractors, agents, and representatives from claims, losses, damages, veterinary expenses, or liabilities arising from normal grooming services or my pet's behavior.

This release does not apply to damages directly caused by gross negligence, reckless conduct, or intentional misconduct by Velvet Belly Dog Grooming LLC.

Owner Initials: _____

11. WISCONSIN LEGAL TERMS

Governing Law. This agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Any legal action relating to this agreement shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Wisconsin.

Severability. If any provision is found invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will remain in effect.

Entire Agreement. This document represents the entire understanding between the parties regarding grooming services and supersedes prior oral or written agreements on the same subject.

Duration. This agreement applies to services provided for one year from the date signed, unless replaced by a newer written agreement.

OWNER ACKNOWLEDGMENT

BY SIGNING BELOW, I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS, AND VOLUNTARILY AGREE TO ITS CONDITIONS.

Owner Signature	**Date**
Printed Name	**Pet Name**
Velvet Belly Representative	**Date**