



**INDIAN TRAIL  
ANIMAL HOSPITAL**

**Heartworm Testing  
Liability Release**

Client's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pet's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that Indian Trail Animal Hospital is recommending that my pet, listed above, be heartworm tested **annually**. We are in an area of the country that has the highest rate of heartworm infection and not testing annually is going against the recommendations set forth by the American Heartworm Society and the American Animal Hospital Association. I am declining this test, but elect to keep my pet on heartworm prevention, specifically \_\_\_\_\_.

I understand that there is a potential fatal risk to continuing to give this medication if an infection were present, and **I will not hold Indian Trail Animal Hospital liable** should a complication such as this arise.

I further understand that the **guarantees offered by most manufacturers will be void** because an annual heartworm test is not being performed. The company guarantees generally cover the cost of treatment for heartworm disease by the manufacturer if an animal with an annual negative heartworm test does test positive while on heartworm prevention.

**I am declining the recommended test for this year, and I understand that a test will be recommended again next year.**

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Signature of Owner or Authorized Agent

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Date

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ITAH Employee Witnessing