

# Adoption Application

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Please complete and submit DAWG's application on our web site for quickest response; or fax to 301-576-3811. DAWG resolves applications by email approximately 24 hours after receipt. DAWG chooses applications that "match" each dog with an adopter best suited to the dog's personality. All household members must meet the potential dog prior to a home visit. A contract is signed and adoption fee paid when the dog is placed in the dog's new home.

Applicant(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ Since \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find us? (Petfinder, referral, other) \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name of dog(s) you would like to adopt: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Have you met the dog(s) yet, or would you like to meet at the next adoption show? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Explain preferences (age, sex, breed, personality) you seek: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Have you submitted an adoption application with another organization? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

5. How do intend to housetrain your new dog and handle behavior such as barking or protectiveness?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Do you or another person in the household smoke? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Does any member of the family have any allergies to animals? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no Explain \_\_\_\_\_

8. Describe the kind of situation where you might have to return your adopted dog: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. For whom are you adopting the dog? \_\_\_self \_\_\_ gift \_\_\_ other family member

10. Please list your and household member ages and relationships to each other: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. Who will feed the dog? \_\_\_\_\_ Who will walk the dog or take outside? \_\_\_\_\_

12. How have you prepared for a new dog? \_\_\_\_\_

13. Describe pets you currently own:

**If you have more animals than space provided, please use an additional sheet of paper and add to this form.**

a. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Type \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Is the pet spayed or neutered? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

Primarily indoor or outdoor? Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you had this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Type \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Is the pet spayed or neutered? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

Primarily indoor or outdoor? Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you had this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

14. Describe past pets owned during the last 15 years:

**If you have had more animals than space provided, please use an additional sheet of paper and add to this form.**

a. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Type \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Was the pet Spayed or Neutered? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

Primarily indoor or outdoor? Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

How long did you have this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Year deceased (or last year you had pet)? \_\_\_\_\_

Cause of death, or where pet is now (detail) \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Type \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Was the pet Spayed or Neutered? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

Primarily indoor or outdoor? Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

How long did you have this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Year deceased (or last year you had pet)? \_\_\_\_\_

Cause of death, or where pet is now (detail) \_\_\_\_\_

15. If you were not able to keep a prior pet, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

16. List current and past vet/animal hospitals:

**If several vets were used, please provide approximate service dates. Application review cannot be completed unless each vet's contact information is provided. If the space provided is insufficient, please use an additional sheet of paper and attach to this form.**

Full contact information (practice name and phone #): \_\_\_\_\_

Owner name(s) on record: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate date of last vet visit: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Name of vet you will use for your new pet: \_\_\_\_\_

18. What type of home do you live in? \_\_\_house \_\_\_townhouse \_\_\_duplex \_\_\_condo \_\_\_apt \_\_\_mobile

19. Do you rent or own your residence? \_\_\_rent \_\_\_own

**IF YOU RENT:**

20. Landlord name \_\_\_\_\_ Landlord phone #(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_

What type/size pets are allowed? \_\_\_\_\_

**If you have rented your current residence for under a year, please provide prior address and prior landlord contact phone number:**

Prior address \_\_\_\_\_

Prior Landlord's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Landlord phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

21. Do you have a fenced yard? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

**Note: Secure, fully fenced yards are typically required for homes with children. For some dogs, fences of minimum 5 to 6 ft are required.**

What type of fence? \_\_\_\_\_

How tall? (Give range of heights, if relevant) \_\_\_\_\_

Any holes or gaps? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

Is the fence attached to the home? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

22. Describe on-leash activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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24. How many hours will the dog be left unattended (i.e., workday)? \_\_\_\_\_

25. Where will the dog be when you are at home? \_\_\_\_\_

26. Where will the dog be when you are not at home? \_\_\_\_\_

27. Where will the dog sleep? \_\_\_\_\_

28. Do you plan to install a dog door? \_\_\_\_\_

29. How often do you travel? \_\_\_\_\_

30. Are you or your spouse with the military? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

31. If you move, what will you do with the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

32. Are you aware of the \$250 nonrefundable adoption fee? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

**I understand this application is not binding on either party, and that an omission of information, untruth, and/or failure to answer all questions can result in this application being declined. I also understand DAWG reserves the right to annul an adoption and reclaim a dog if an application omission or untruth is discovered post-adoption. I give Best Dawg Rescue, Inc. permission to fully investigate the information provided as well as contact veterinarians and related officials.**

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Full Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_