

# C.A.R.S.

Companion Animal Rescue Society

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## Canine Adoption Application

The answers you give on this application will help us to arrange the best possible match between you and the dogs/puppies available through CARS. Please fill out the form completely. Incomplete applications will not be considered. You must supply a phone number where you can be reached or your application will not be processed. The application approval process will usually take 24 to 48 hours or longer, depending on the particular dog. Please email us at [adoption@carspetrescue.org](mailto:adoption@carspetrescue.org) if you have not heard from us within 48 hours.

**\*\*Please Print Legibly**

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### Your Information:

Name of Adopter: \_\_\_\_\_

Resident Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Mailing Address: (if different from above):

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

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: Work \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_ At Which #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Years at Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Reference:** You must provide at least **2** personal references to be contacted by CARS. Please no more than ONE Family member or person living with you!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Housing:**

Do you live in a: House  Condominium  Apartment  Mobile Home Park   
Other  (Describe)

Do you : Rent  Own

If you rent, do you have your landlord's permission to have a dog? Yes  No

Landlord Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\*If you are renting, you will be required to present proof of permission to have a pet before pet will be released to your care.

Square Feet of living area: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a fenced enclosure (or yard/property)? Yes  No

If yes, what kind of fence? \_\_\_\_\_ How High? \_\_\_\_\_ Size of fenced area? \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not have a fence or kennel, how do you plan to provide the following:

Safe confinement? \_\_\_\_\_

Bathroom needs? \_\_\_\_\_

Exercise needs? \_\_\_\_\_

**Members of Household:**

Please List the number and ages of children living in your home or that will be spending a large portion of time with the dog:

\_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults living in home? \_\_\_\_\_

**Pet Information:**

Is there a particular breed, sex, age, coat length, personality or color of dog that you want? (Please also note ID and/or name of particular dog you would like to adopt here)

\_\_\_\_\_

Reason for wanting a dog: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does everyone in your household want to adopt a dog? Yes  No

Have you owned a dog before: Yes  No

Have you had other dogs in the last 5 years? Yes  No  How Many? \_\_\_\_\_

If you no longer have them, what happened to them? -BE SPECIFIC: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had to give up a pet? Yes  No

If yes, please explain the circumstances: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List pets in your possession:

Species and/or breed:

Sex: Male  Female  Is this pet Spayed/Neutered? Yes  No

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\*\*Use back of sheet to list additional pets if needed.

Do you have any livestock (sheep, goats, horses, cows, chickens, etc.)? Yes  No

Are they: On your property?  Nearby?  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Care of Dog:

Do you have a regular veterinarian? Yes  No

If yes, give name and location (city): \_\_\_\_\_

Who will provide primary care for this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Who will be responsible for the welfare of this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the dog spend most of its time? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours a day will the dog spend alone (without people home)? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the dog spend its time when alone?

Loose in Home  Garage/Carport  Loose in Basement

Loose in Fenced Yard  Loose in Kennel Run  Crate

Tied up Outside  Other -Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the dog spend the night:

Loose in Home  Garage/Carport  Loose in Basement

Loose in Fenced Yard  Loose in Kennel Run  Crate

Tied up Outside  Other -Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Do any members of your household have known allergies to dogs? Yes  No

If yes, how will this be managed? \_\_\_\_\_

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

What arrangements will be made for your dog when you are on vacation? \_\_\_\_\_

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Annual medical costs to maintain the health of a pet can be anywhere from \$100 to \$500 depending on the age and overall condition of the dog. Are you prepared to make the financial commitment to this pet in order to keep him/her healthy and happy?

Yes  No

Do you realize most dogs can live upwards of 14 years and are you committed to care for it that long? Yes  No

What would you do if your dog needs emergency medical treatment? \_\_\_\_\_

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Emergency medical treatment for a pet will usually cost more than your regular veterinarian. Would you be willing to spend: (Be Realistic!)

\$100  \$250  \$500  \$1000  As much as is needed?

Other: Please Specify amount \_\_\_\_\_

How would you pay for this care? Checking Account or Cash  Savings

Credit Card  Loan  Other-Please Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**What will happen with this dog if you move:**

Locally? \_\_\_\_\_

Out of state? \_\_\_\_\_ Overseas? \_\_\_\_\_

In with family or friend? \_\_\_\_\_

To a place that does not accept pets? \_\_\_\_\_

**What circumstances, in your mind, justify giving a dog up? (check all that apply)**

Divorce/Breakup

Move

New Job

New Baby/Pregnancy

Illness (not the dog's)

Allergies

Not getting along with other pets

Getting out of a fence

Dog behavior

Shedding

Housebreaking problems

New/Additional Pet(s)

Children lost interest

Too time consuming

Other : Please Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever given a dog up or had a dog for a brief period of time and it didn't work out? Yes  No

If yes, please briefly explain the circumstances: \_\_\_\_\_

What type of behavior(s) do you expect from this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Dogs have been known to dig, bark, chew and otherwise cause property damage as well as inappropriately urinate or defecate, etc. (especially when moved to new surroundings). How do you plan to deal with these potential problems? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to deal with other behavioral challenges? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your definition of disciplining your dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you likely to enroll your dog in obedience class? Yes  No

How did you learn about this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about this rescue organization? \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Please write any additional information on the back of this sheet as needed.

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I certify that the information given herein is true and that any false information may exclude my application from consideration and/or nullify an adoption. I give permission for CARS to check any references that I have provided on this form.

\*Information provided by the applicant to CARS will never be released to unauthorized sources.

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Signature

Date

***We reserve the right to refuse any applicant for any reason!***

*The adoption fee for dogs starts at \$140. It may be more for certain breeds and sizes. These fees help to offset the costs associated with rehabilitation and housing of the dogs in our care, including medical treatment, microchip, spay/neuter surgery, vaccines and medicine, food, and transportation. Donations of additional money are gladly accepted. Your donation helps us to continue our mission to help homeless, abandoned, and abused pets become healthy and happy and to find permanent, loving adoptive homes.*

\*Donations are tax deductible-we will gladly provide you with a receipt if requested.

For CARS' Use:

Pet ID Number and/or Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Description/Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

CARS Representative Receiving App. \_\_\_\_\_ Approved  Not Approved  By: \_\_\_\_\_