



# Adoption & Foster Application

This application is for (name of dog or cat): \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in: Adopting      Fostering

Is everyone in the household in favor? \_\_\_\_\_

## **Part 1: About You!**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Partner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Do you work?

Yes      No

Profession: \_\_\_\_\_

Partner's Profession: \_\_\_\_\_

How many adults & children in home:

Men: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Boys: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Women: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Girls: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Home:

Rent      Own

Length of time: \_\_\_\_\_

If you rent, please provide proof of landlord permission and their contact info:

\_\_\_\_\_

Type of Home:

House      Apt      Condo/Town House      Trailer      Other \_\_\_\_\_

## **Part 2: Pet Wanted**

Gender:

Male      Female      No preference

Age:

Puppy      1-3 yrs      3-6 yrs      6+      Senior      No preference

Color preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to adopt/foster two?

Yes      No

Why do you want a pet?

Companionship      Watch Dog      Gift      Company for current pet(s)

Other \_\_\_\_\_

## **Part 3: Everyday Life for this Pet**

Do you have a fenced yard?

Yes      No

If no, will you fence before adopting?

\_\_\_\_\_

Plans for safety if no fence:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

An exercised animal is happier and better behaved. How will your pet be exercised and how often?

\_\_\_\_\_

How would describe your lifestyle and activity level?

Crazy about exercise and outdoor time

Walk daily or more

Walk every so often, more likely to have dog spend time in backyard

Not very outdoorsy, prefer my comfy couch

Where will the animal sleep?

\_\_\_\_\_

Will they spend more time indoors or out?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to use a crate?

Yes      No

How many consecutive hours a day are you away from home?

\_\_\_\_\_

How will you handle pet care if you are gone a lot during the day?

\_\_\_\_\_

And on vacation?

\_\_\_\_\_

We hope all human relationships are forever but in the unlikely chance you part, what will happen to the pet?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone in your home smoke?

Yes      No

Do you currently have other pets?

Yes      No

If so, please list all species, gender, age, and temperament:

Dog(s): Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Temperament \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed/Neutered \_\_\_\_\_

Cat(s): Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Temperament \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed/Neutered \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

What activities do you currently do with your pet(s)?

\_\_\_\_\_

What kind of food do you feed your pet(s)?

\_\_\_\_\_

What circumstances, in your mind, justify giving an animal up? (Check all that apply)

Moving      Medical problems      Divorce      Housebreaking challenges

Not getting along with other pets      Getting out of a fence      New baby

Behavioral challenges      Requires too much time      Shedding      Allergies

Have you ever given an animal up?

Yes      No

If yes, please explain the circumstances and what happened:

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If your pet develops a medical problem that becomes expensive, what would you do?

Find another home for pet      Pay whatever it takes      Return to a rescue  
Take to a shelter      Other

List pets you have previously owned:

Species/Breed: \_\_\_\_\_      How long owned: \_\_\_\_\_  
Where is the pet now? \_\_\_\_\_      If deceased, cause of death: \_\_\_\_\_  
How old are/were they? \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Part 4: Pet Care**

Do you know much about pet insurance (we don't sell it but see great benefit in it)?

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Will you take care of medical problems should they arise even if it requires daily medication?

Yes      No

If you are low on funds and there is an animal emergency, how will you handle?

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Is shedding an issue for your home?

Yes      No

Some companion animals want to be with you as much as possible. What's your reaction?

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When animals are senior, their health is vulnerable. What will your plan be?

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The removal of a limb puts uneven strain on the remaining limbs, what is your plan to reduce arthritis and other possible repercussions?

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## **Part 5: Good Boy/Girl**

What type of behavior(s) do you expect?

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What amount of time and effort, per week, do you want to devote to training your dog(s)/cat(s)?

None      3-5hrs      5-7hrs      7-10hrs      10+hrs

Are you likely to enroll your dog in obedience class?

Yes      No

Why or why not?

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Which family members would be expected to assist in home training and care giving?

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What is your definition of disciplining your dog?

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## **Part 6: References**

Vet Reference:

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

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

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please accompany application with photos of the following:**

- 1. Your home**
- 2. Yard/fence**
- 3. Proof of residence**

**Terms of Adoption/Foster (final signage of this page is your contract and will be hand signed for file at the point of adoption).** Please note that the language included in the contract is specific.

We have had many great homes and we believe yours is one. Others who have failed to be good home is why this language unfortunately is necessary.

**I/We Commit:**

- 1) To keep this animal in my personal possession and provide proper and sufficient food, water, shelter, grooming, tooth and gum care, and humane treatment at all times.

- 2) To procure veterinary care at once if this animal becomes sick or injured, and to keep current all vaccinations as recommended by law and my veterinarian.
- 3) To have the pet spayed or neutered within two weeks of adoption, with proof to FDM when applicable.
- 4) To install and activate a microchip within two weeks of adoption, with proof to FDM.
- 5) To obey any and all animal control regulations governing the area in which I live, and to license this dog(s)/cat(s) according to such regulations within two weeks of adoption (i.e. rabies tag, pet license).
- 6) To never sell, trade ownership, abandon, or dispose of this animal in any way, but to notify Ferry Dog Mothers if I must relinquish custody. This includes release to family members. I will work with FDM, knowing it is not a shelter, by holding the animal until a suitable home or foster is found, with the understanding they are working on it quickly. I understand taking the animal to a shelter is a legal breach of this contract, and can result in legal action as well as being added to the national Do Not Adopt registry.
- 7) To allow Ferry Dog Mothers to examine the animal and its living conditions and to surrender it to said person for return if the conditions are found unsatisfactory.
- 8) To assume full responsibility for this animals' actions, including any damage done by this animal.
- 9) To immediately pay the adoption fee unless prior arrangements have been made. Failure to do so means the animal belongs to FDM and can be relinquished at any time. I also understand failure to pay means I will be added to the national Do Not Adopt registry.

I understand the temperament; health, habits and physical condition can't be guaranteed. I am in full agreement with these terms of adoption. Ferry Dog Mothers is in no way liable or responsible for any damage, accident, or injury resulting from the placement of an animal into my household.

Proof of all requirements outlined above will be sent to:

**Lyndsey Gauthier at [LyndseyGauthier@Gmail.com](mailto:LyndseyGauthier@Gmail.com)**

**& Ferry Dog Mothers at [fkrokower@msn.com](mailto:fkrokower@msn.com)**

By signing below, you certify all information is true and correct to the best of your knowledge.

Applicant Signature & Commitment: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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