



DOG'S ANIMAL ID NUMBER _____

DOG ADOPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

It is our policy to make certain that each person who adopts a dog is aware of the responsibilities of pet ownership, and is capable of and willing to accept those responsibilities morally, physically, and financially. Not every person who desires to adopt a dog should do so.

By completing this questionnaire, you will aid us in determining if you and your family are indeed ready to become responsible pet owners. Should you agree that adopting a pet is a commitment throughout the lifetime of your companion animal, please fill out this questionnaire and hand it to an adoption counselor for further discussion on the adoption process.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____ AGE (if under 21) _____

Name of Spouse * Partner * Roommate _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone _____

Cellular phone _____ e-mail _____

Occupation: _____ Spouse's occupation: _____

Work schedule: _____ Spouse's hours: _____

Names of all persons living in your household, their relationship to you and their ages:

Please list two personal references and their relationship to you:

Name: _____ Relationship _____ Phone _____

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YOUR HOME

Type of dwelling? House - Building - Condo Other _____

Do you have a yard? Yes - No If yes, is it fenced? Yes - No If yes, height of fence? _____

Is there a pool on your property? Yes - No If yes, is it fenced? Yes - No

If building what are the building rules about pets? _____

Your Home has 1 story - 2 stories Own or Rent ?

If not a homeowner, do you have the landlord's permission to have a dog? _____

Landlord's name: _____ Phone _____

YOUR PETS

Do you presently own a dog ? Yes - No Have you previously owned a dog Yes - No

Have you ever trained a dog? Yes - No If yes, what type of training? _____

If you presently have a pet (s) or had pet(s) in the past, please complete the charts below. In the column , “ what happened “, write gave away, sold him/her, took to the shelter, abandoned, died, was in an accident, etc. (if pet died please state cause of death)

CURRENT PET(S)

Species & Breed	Owned how long?	Age	Sex	Altered?	How & why obtained?	Kept indoors or outdoors?

PREVIOUS PET(S)

Species & Breed	Owned for how long?	Sex	Altered	Kept indoors or outdoors	What happened?

Have any of your dogs/dogs ever had puppies? Yes - No

If yes were they breed for: Fun - Profit - Show - Accident

Has any member of your family ever experienced animal – related allergies? Yes - No

YOUR FAMILY VETERINARIAN:

Name _____ Phone _____

YOUR NEW DOG

What is your primary reason for adopting this dog?

Companion Guard Dog for a Business Fighting Attack Dog Other _____

Who will be responsible for the care of the dog? _____

Where will the dog live? Indoor only Outdoor Only Indoor & Outdoor

Do you have any of the following? Balcony - Pet Door - Unscreened windows or doors

Does your home have any other means of outdoor access for a dog?

If/when you travel how to you intend to provide for the dog while you are away?

What provisions would be made for the dog if you had to move to a place where no pets are allowed?

Locally? _____ **Out of State?** _____

Under what circumstances would you not keep the dog?

Divorce - Illness in family - Moving - New Baby - New Job - Potty- training problem
 Chewing furniture /carpet/drapes - Biting people - Fleas - Allergy - Shedding Conflicts with Children
 Conflicts with other pets - Dog became ill - High veterinary costs - None of the above
 Other (please explain) _____

What would you do if the dog grew bigger than expected? Return the dog to the shelter Keep the dog outside

Other _____

If the dog becomes ill or injured, are you financially prepared to provide medical care? Yes - No

If yes, is there a maximum amount you would spend? Yes - No Reason _____

Are you financially prepared to provide proper food and grooming for your dog? Yes - No

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

1. No person who is suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be allowed to adopt.
2. I understand that I am adopting a pet.
3. This animal will be cared for and treated with love and respect. I agree to assume full responsibility for its well-being, including providing adequate and wholesome food, fresh water, shelter from the weather and any veterinary treatment needed to provide for the continued health and well-being of the animal.
4. Dogs will **NOT** be kept on a chain because of, among other things, the health hazards that may occur, the lack of exercise chains prevent and the potential dangers chains may cause such as teasing and trapping the dog with no escape.
5. Dogs will **NOT** be used as hunting or guard dogs. Cats will **NOT** be used as barn cats or mousers.
6. I agree to abide by all city and county animal control ordinances, specifically any leash laws to prevent the animal from roaming and becoming a nuisance animal.
7. It is expressly understood that such animal is **NOT to be sold, traded, or given away for any purpose. It is not to be abandoned.** If I cannot provide for the animal any longer, I agree to return the animal to Animal Care and Control of NYC.
8. Animal Care & Control of NYC reserves the right to refuse to adopt any animal for any reason. Further, the Animal Care and Control veterinarian reserves the right to refuse to adopt any animal for any reason, including the health of the animal.

THE ABOVE IS A LEGAL AND BINDING CONTRACT. BY SIGNING BELOW, ADOPTER(S) AGREES TO COMPLY WITH EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THE CONDITIONS LISTED ABOVE. ADOPTER(S) FURTHER AGREES TO IMMEDIATELY SURRENDER AND RETURN THE ADOPTED ANIMAL(S) TO ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL OF NEW YORK CITY ("AC&C") SHOULD AC&C DETERMINE THAT ADOPTER(S) HAS FAILED TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE CONDITIONS LISTED ABOVE. SHOULD AC&C BE REQUIRED TO TAKE LEGAL ACTION IN ORDER TO SECURE THE ADOPTED ANIMAL(S), ADOPTER(S) SHALL PAY ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SAID LEGAL PROCEEDING.

PRINT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____