

MASSACHUSETTS HUMANE SOCIETY

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ADOPTION APPLICATION/AGREEMENT for DOG/PUPPY

Please note, once this contract is approved and signed by all parties it is legal and binding.

Thank you for considering to adopt a dog/puppy. This form is designed to assist you in selecting a dog or puppy that is suitable for you, your family and your lifestyle. Our goal is to find a loving, responsible and PERMANENT home for the dog/puppy in our care.

Adoption Fee: Adult - \$200.00 \$ _____ (includes young dogs)
Adoption Fee: Puppy - \$125.00 \$ _____ Altered: Y____ N____
Spay/Neuter Deposit: - \$25.00 \$ _____ (Puppies)

*Once you mail proof that your puppy was spayed or neutered you will get your deposit back.

In order to be considered for adoption, you must:

- Be 18 years of age and have current identification on ALL heads of household.
- If you own your own home, must show proof of home ownership.
- Have the landlord's name and telephone number, if you rent.
- Understand that we must review and approve your application and then you will receive a telephone return call back.

(Optional) Interested In: (Dog's Name) _____

DATE ___/___/___ NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

(Home Phone) _____

(Work Phone) _____

(Cell Number) _____

E-mail : _____

Do you live in a: Single-family house Multi-family house

Apt. Condo/Duplex Studio Mobile home

Public housing With parents Student residence Other

Do You: Rent Own

If you Own, Please Attach *Proof Of Ownership* via - Tax Bill, Water Bill.

If you rent, are animals allowed in your residence? Yes No

Landlord's Name _____ Phone# _____

How long have you lived at this address?: _____

Are you planning to move in the near future: Yes _____ No _____

If you move in the future, what will you do with the dog?

Who lives in your household?

List by name & relationship. (Also list children's ages).

Your Age: _____

Name _____ Relationship _____ Age _____

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Is this dog for: Self _____ Someone Else _____ Gift _____

My dog(s) will be primarily: Outdoor _____

Indoor _____

Both _____

Do you have a fenced in yard? _____ If not, how will you take the dog/puppy outside. _____

Will you walk the dog on a daily base and for how long? _____

What kind of fencing do you have and how high is the Fence? _____

Could the dog get out by digging, jumping or other ways? _____

I had/have had my dog (s) for how long?

Name: _____ Age _____ Still Have? Y ___ N ___

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What happened to your dog(s) if you no longer have (them)?

Name of your veterinarian:

Telephone #:

Do you or anyone in your household have allergies to dogs?

Yes ___ No ___

How will your new dog/puppy spend its days? *(check all that apply)*

Indoors Basement Garage Porch Yard Outdoors Other

How will your new dog/puppy spend its nights? *(check all that apply)*

Indoors Your bedroom Kitchen Basement Garage Porch

Outdoors Other

On average, how many hours each day will the dog/puppy be:

Alone: _____ With you & your family: _____

Do you travel? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, what are your plans for caring for your dog/puppy while you are away?

Please describe the activity level of your home:

What are your hobbies, interests and activities?

What OTHER animals (besides dogs) have you owned in the past?

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NAME: _____ TYPE/BREED _____/_____ AGE/SEX___/___

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Still own any? (If YES, please list names below).

Names: _____

(If no, please explain)

Do you understand why we require all dog's to be spayed or neutered?

Yes _____ No _____

I agree to get this puppy spayed or neutered at the appropriate time.

(if not already fixed). Yes _____ No _____ Initial if Yes: _____

Please tell us why you would like to adopt a dog/puppy:

Please give two references - No Family.

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Day Phone: (_____) _____

Evening Phone: (_____) _____

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Day Phone: (_____) _____

Evening Phone: (_____) _____

How long of a period are you willing to allow for the dog/puppy to adjust to your home?

Is Your Household Smoke Free? Yes _____ No _____

If you could not keep this dog/puppy for any reason, what would you do?

Would you allow a member of the Mass Humane Society to do a home check?

Yes _____ No _____

Dogs can live 10 to 15 years, are you prepared to take responsibility for the dog's entire life? (Please consider issues such as moving, children, planning to have children, teenagers off to college, change in life style?) Yes _____ No _____

Often you may have to separate new pets from existing ones in order to introduce them in a gradual manner. Can this be done at your home & do you have the space to do this? Yes _____ No _____

Have you ever brought a pet to a shelter? Yes ____ No _____

If yes, please explain the circumstances.

Many shelter animals have unknown medical histories, are you prepared to provide and pay for any necessary medical treatment that may occur in the future?

Yes _____ No _____

Will you use a crate for your dog? If so, for how long is the dog in the crate?

Will you supply food and water in the crate? Is the crate door open or closed?

I agree that if I am no longer able to keep this dog/puppy for any reason that he/she must be returned to the Massachusetts Humane Society and is NOT to be given to a friend, family member or any other shelter/animal organization or Veterinary Animal Hospital or other.

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

We will discuss the following:

- Adjustment to new home.
- Identification.
- House Breaking.
- Dog General Training Classes.
- Dog Obedience / Behavioral Training Classes.
- Best Choice of Toys.
- Best Choice of Chewing Bones.

DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

BY SIGNING BELOW, I UNDERSTAND AND I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION I HAVE GIVEN IS TRUE AND THAT I RECOGNIZE THAT ANY MISREPRESENTATION OF FACTS MAY RESULT IN MY LOSING THE PRIVILEGE OF ADOPTING A DOG/PUPPY. I UNDERSTAND THAT A MEMBER OF MASSACHUSETTS HUMANE SOCIETY HAS THE RIGHT TO DENY MY REQUEST TO ADOPT A DOG OR PUPPY AND MAY MAKE AN UNSCHEDULED VISIT TO CHECK ON THIS DOG/ PUPPY. I AUTHORIZE INVESTIGATION OF ALL STATEMENTS ON THIS APPLICATION.

Signature _____ Date _____

Print Name: _____

"I hereby swear, under the pains and penalties of perjury, that the information I have provided above is true, and to the best of my knowledge and belief".

\$25.00 of this adoption fee will be allocated towards "Shelter Maintenance."

You will only get a call back, if you have been approved for the adoption of the animal. Unfortunately, we do not have the manpower to call each and every applicant back. Thank you for your cooperation !!