

## OUR BEST FRIENDS RESCUE

### ~~~~~ADOPTION/FOSTER APPLICATION~~~~~

As proud members of one of the best rescue organizations on Long Island, our goal is to place our homeless rescues in permanent, loving homes, as their former owners have already abandoned them at least once before. As we strive to place the appropriate dog/cat in homes, this application helps us to learn more about you. Most rescue animals are either spayed or neutered before adoption, BUT if they have not been proof of altering after adoption is required.

PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS AN ALL VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION AND ALL PERSONS INVOLVED HAVE JOBS AND FAMILIES AND A LARGE NUMBER OF FOSTER DOGS TO CARE FOR. PRIOR TO ANY INTRODUCTION TO THE ANIMALS WE MUST GO OVER THE APPLICATION AS A GROUP, DO BACKGROUND CHECKS AND REFERENCE CHECKS. DEPENDING ON THE ANIMAL(S) YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS MAY TAKE ANYWHERE FROM FOUR TO FOURTEEN DAYS TO COMPLETE THE INITIAL PROCESS IF VOLUNTEERS ARE UNAVAILABLE TO HELP OR IF DOGGY EMERGENCIES OCCUR. WE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO GET BACK TO VIABLE APPLICATIONS IN AS TIMELY A FASHION AS POSSIBLE.

Please return the completed email to:

[ourbestfriendsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:ourbestfriendsrescue@gmail.com)

FAX (516) 595-9596

Please fill out **ALL** the questions. If any question does not apply, write N/A.  
**Leaving questions blank can delay the adoption process.**

Today's date:

Which dog/s are you interested in?

What attracted you to this particular dog?

Are you interested in fostering or adopting a dog permanently?

How did you hear about our rescue group?

Personal Information:

Name:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip code:

Email Address:

DOB:

Day/Work/Phone:

Day/Work/Phone:

Evening/Home Phone:

Cell:

Best time to call:

REFERENCES~

Please provide Vet references for veterinarians you have used before.

Vet Name and Phone Number:

Vet records are under the name of:

If you plan to use a different vet please list this vet also.

**New vet you plan to use:**

**If you are in need of a vet recommendations please let us know.**

Please provide the names of two personal references I may call.

(Please **do not** use family members for a reference.)

#1:

#2:

Please list place of employment for yourself and your spouse.

I do not call employers - this is simply for our records.

SELF: Name:

Address of Employer/Phone:

SPOUSE: Name:

Address of Employer/Phone:

*HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION~~*

3. Residence (check one): rent apt\_\_\_ own apt\_\_\_ own home\_\_\_ other\_\_\_(specify)

a. How long have you lived here?

b. What floor do you live on? Do you have a terrace?

c. Are you moving in the near future?

NOTE: If you rent, please provide your landlord's contact information so that we may verify that you are allowed to have a pet.

4. Landlords name: address & phone number:

5. Is everyone in the household aware of and agreeable to your interest in fostering or adopting?

6. Does anyone in your house have asthma or any known allergies to dogs or cats?

7. Please list below all people who currently live at this residence (including your self). Please include name, relation to you, and age.

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9. Please complete this regarding any other pet you have owned in the past. Include name, type/breed, age, how long owned, what happened to pet.

10. Have you ever taken one of your pets to a shelter or given an animal away? If so, please describe circumstances.

*CARE OF THE DOG~~*

11. Do you have a completely fenced in area on your property?

Approx. how large is the fenced in area?

Can strangers gain access to your yard?

Does the gate have a lock on it?

If so, what type?

If you have a pool, is it fenced in?

12. Are there regular visitors to your home (human or animal) where your new dog must get along?

If yes, whom?

13. If you have no fence, how do you plan to have your new dog relieve and exercise itself?

14. Who will be responsible for the care of this dog?

15. Do all adults work full time?

16. How many hours each day will your new dog be alone?

17. How many hours each day will you spend time with your dog?

18. Where will your new dog be kept when it is alone?

19. Where will your new dog be kept during the day?

20. Where will your new dog sleep?

21. Will the dog be allowed on the furniture? If not, how do you plan to get the dog off the furniture if she/he does jump up there?

22. Do you plan to rough-house (play rough) with this dog?

23. Are you familiar with positive methods (no hitting) of dog training?

24. Do you want a trainer recommendation?

25. Who will care for your pets when you are on vacation?

26. What is the name of your local animal shelter?

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**The Foster/Adoption Process**

The Foster/Adoption Process **REQUIRES** filling out this application and a meeting with the dog/dogs and an in-person interview as well as home checks before, during and after the fostering /adoption.

Signing of this application agreeing to all the terms which stipulates the animal **MUST** be returned to us if you can no longer care for him/her. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial

**Adopters**, please be aware that these are **rescued animals**. We recommend that they be seen by your vet as soon as possible. Although we are extremely careful and all our animals are vet checked, we are not responsible for any illnesses that surface after the adoption, or, that were underlying prior to the adoption. We do not adopt animals out that have health issues that we are aware of and we are very explicit and make all adopters aware of any issue and they must agree to treat the animal and give it the care necessary for it to have a good life. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial

If the foster dog or cat needs to be vetted the foster **MUST** get permission from the rescue staff. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial

If fostering please note, sometimes dogs will need vet care while being fostered or adopted, including visits to the vet, boosters or heartworm and flea/ and tick preventative meds, etc. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial

Fostering/adopting a pet may be a long-term commitment - please consider this before you adopt or foster. Are these terms acceptable to you? \_\_\_\_\_ Initial

Upon adoption if pet is not micro-chipped proof of the pet being micro-chipped is required by the owner within one week. We require the microchip number. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial

We reserve the right to remove the dog from any home if there are any concerns about the welfare of the dog during foster or after the adoption. \_\_\_\_\_ Initial

**Signature of foster/adopter:**

*DONATIONS~~*

We are an individual not for profit rescue organization.

We do not receive funds from any outside sources.

We pay all expenses out of profit and with the donations of individuals and our adoption fee. Any donation or foster home is always welcome, and very much needed.

All donations and adoption fees are applied toward caring for the dogs, vet bills, medications, follow-up visits, rechecks and boarding expenses we incur.

Please note our adoption fees are between \$50.00 -\$700.00 and is **non refundable**. The adoption fees go towards the care and fostering of our rescues and allow us to help more animals.

Careful thought and consideration needs to be put in before adopting or fostering.

Rescues often come with special needs, require training and need extra time and attention.

If you are unable or unwilling to care for this pet at anytime the cat/dog is to be returned to **OBFR WITHOUT EXCEPTION**.

Please indicate compliance of these rules by printing and signing your full name below.

Print name:

Sign:

Print

Date:

