

## Dog Adoption Application

Pet guardianship is a serious commitment that the entire household needs to consider and agree to before the animal is adopted. We want to ensure that each adoptive household is aware of and willing and able to accept the physical and financial responsibilities of pet guardianship. Not everyone who desires to adopt a pet is ready to properly care for one. This application will assist both you and us in determining if your household is prepared to assume the role of responsible caretaker for one of our rescue animals. **Please note that applying does not ensure approval.** Buffalo Humane reserves the right to refuse adoptions to anyone. No animal will be adopted to prospective guardians who mislead or fail to provide accurate information on the adoption application.

**Return completed application to:** Email, mail, or fax your completed application to us as indicated at the top of this application form. Or, you may give to a Buffalo Humane representative in person.

Last Name	First Name	Age	Today's Date	
Address		City	State	Zip
Phone: (include area code) Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____				
Email _____				
Other persons who reside in your household (name, relationship, age):   				
<b>Veterinary Reference:</b> Please provide information on a vet that you have used most recently. Name of vet (or clinic) _____ Address _____ Phone (include area code) _____ Will you use this vet for this animal? Y N				
<b>Personal Reference #1:</b> Please provide someone who can comment on your capability as a pet owner. Name _____ Relationship to you or your family _____ Address _____ Phone (include area code) _____ Email _____				
<b>Personal Reference #2:</b> Please provide someone who can comment on your capability as a pet owner. Name _____ Relationship to you or your family _____ Address _____ Phone (include area code) _____ Email _____				

**Dog Adopter Survey** (modified slightly, © 2004 ASPCA. All rights reserved. Reprinted with permission of the ASPCA.)

1. I have owned a dog before:  No  Yes
2. The last time I had a dog was:  Within the last yr  2-10 yrs ago  over 10 yrs ago
3. My dog needs to get along with my other dogs:  No  Yes → List below:

**For each dog, list name, age, gender and spay/neuter status**

4. My dog needs to be good with: (Check all that apply)  
 Children over 8 yrs  Children under 8 yrs  Elderly  Cats  Animals other than dogs/cats
5. My dog will primarily be an . . .  Indoor dog  Outdoor dog
6. How many hours will your dog spend outdoors per day? \_\_\_\_ hrs
7. During the day, my dog needs to be able to be alone . . .  
 Under 2 hrs  2-4 hrs  4-6 hrs  6-8 hrs  8-10 hrs  10-12 hrs  More than 10 hrs
8. When I'm at home, I want my dog to be at my side . . .  
 All of the time  Some of the time  Little of the time
9. When I'm not at home, my dog will spend its time . . .  
 In the garage  In a crate in the house  In an outside pen or run  In the yard  
 Loose in the house  Confined to a room or other area in the house
10. I want my dog to (check any that apply):  be a guard dog  hunt or herd with me
11. I want my dog to be the type that is very enthusiastic in the way s/he shows s/he loves people:  
 Not at all  Somewhat  Very much so
12. I want my dog to be playful:  Not at all  Somewhat  Very much so
13. I want my dog to be laid back:  Very much so  Somewhat  Not at all
14. I am comfortable doing some training with my dog to improve manners such as jumping, stealing food, and pulling on the leash:  
 No training  Some training  A lot of training
15. I (or my children) want to compete in Flyball, Agility, or Obedience with our dog:  No  Yes
16. I currently:  Own my home  Rent
17. Is your yard fenced?  No yard  Unfenced yard  Partially fenced  Completely fenced  
→ Type of fencing:  Privacy  Chainlink  Invisible  Other \_\_\_\_\_
18. Which animal(s) (if any) are you interested in? \_\_\_\_\_

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The information I have provided and my answers to the above questions are true and factual to the best of my knowledge. I understand that providing misleading or false information will immediately render any adoption agreement null and void, and Buffalo Humane can immediately seize the animal as its rightful owner. I also authorize Buffalo Humane and/or its representative to contact my personal and veterinary references.

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_