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Adoption Application and Contract (Dog/Puppy)

Please Note: This adoption application/contract is quite lengthy. Please answer all question completely. We do not mean to be intrusive, but our main concern is for the animals. We want to make sure our dogs/puppies get the best new home that they truly need. All of our dogs/puppies have had ruff beginnings, they all deserve happy endings!

All applicants are subject to a home visit before and after a pet has been adopted. We reserve the right to deny any applicant.

Date: _____

I am applying for the dog/puppy named: _____

Is this dog/puppy a gift for someone?:

If yes, who is it a gift for?:

Your Full Name:

Your Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Your Home Phone Number:

Your Cell Phone Number:

Your Email:

Your Age/Birth date (If under 21):

Your Occupation:

Your Employer:

Please describe your average workday:

How many hours a day will your pet be left alone?:

Where will you keep the dog while you are at work or out of the house (Inside, outside, in a crate etc.)?:

Marital Status:

Full Name of Spouse/significant other:

Please describe your spouse/significant other's average workday:

Do you have any children?:

If yes, how many?:

What are their ages?:

Please list any other people who reside in your home:

How long have you lived at your current residence?:

Do you own or rent?:

If you rent are you allowed to have pets?:

Does your landlord or association have any pet restrictions?:

If you rent- what is your landlords name and phone number?:

Do we have permission to contact your landlord?:

Do you plan on moving in the near future?:

What type of home do you live in (house, condo, apartment, townhouse, mobile home etc.)?:

Does your home have a fenced in yard?:

If yes, what type of enclosure is it (chain link, wood, 4ft, 5 ft etc.)?:

If no- how will you exercise your new pet?:

Would this pet be an inside or outside or both inside/outside pet?:

How long will the pet be left unattended outside?:

What if you had to move and the place you chose to move to, did not allow pets?:

Do you have any objection to a Ruff Beginnings board member visiting your home prior to and/or after adoption?:

What would you do with your pets if your life circumstances change, i.e. divorce, separation, death in the family, etc.?:

What accommodations will you make for your dog/puppy if you're away overnight or away on vacation or business?:

Does everyone in your household want this dog/puppy?:

Does any one in the household suffer from allergies or asthma?:

What would you do with the pet if you discovered you or someone in your family was allergic to the pet?

Do you have any other pets?:

If yes: what is their species/breed/gender/age?:

If no: did you have pets in the past? Where are those pets now?

Are all of your current pets up to date on vaccines?:

If no- why not?:

Are all of your pets spayed/neutered?:

If no- why not?:

If you own pets now, are they on heartworm preventative?:

If yes- what type?:

If no- why not?:

Where will the dog sleep at night?:

Are you acquainted with a nearby veterinarian?:

Please provide us with your veterinarians name and phone number:

Do we have permission to contact your veterinarian?:

Please provide us with a personal reference (Name and Number):

Do we have permission to contact your personal reference?:

I would give up my pet if...:

If you felt like you had to get rid of this pet, what would you do with it?:

How long do you plan on keeping this pet?:

Why are you interested in adopting this dog/puppy?:

How long have you been looking for a new pet?:

Why did you decide to rescue a dog/puppy?:

If your dog/puppy is not housebroken, how would you train him/her?:

Are you willing to enroll your dog/puppy in obedience class or other training if you experience behavior problems?:

Do you understand that your dog/puppy should NEVER be allowed off a leash in open places?:

Until your dog learns the rules of your home, he/she may urinate or defecate in your home, and may chew household items. How will you handle this?:

How will you discipline your dog?:

Are you prepared to make a lifetime commitment to this dog?:

Hurricanes have become a common occurrence here in Florida, if there was a hurricane/tropical storm headed our way, what precautions would you take to ensure your pet would be safe during and after the storm?:

Do you understand all of the expenses involved with caring for a dog, especially as it ages? Including but not limited to ordinary and emergency veterinary care, heartworm preventative, dental care, grooming etc.?:

Do you understand that if you do adopt a dog/puppy from us and we come for a home visit after you have the dog/ puppy, if the living conditions (including but not limited to, adequate food and water, proof of veterinary care, sleeping quarters, etc.) are not up to our standards we have the right to take the dog/puppy back into our custody?:

Do you understand that not all of our dogs/puppies are spayed/neutered but we do require the new owners to spay/neuter their new pets within 6 months of adopting them?:

Would you be willing to pay for the surgery/ post op medications and any other expenses that might be required by the veterinarian?:

Do you understand that if you are approved to adopt this dog/puppy and it is not already spayed or neutered, you can choose to have the surgery done at our vet for a discounted rate?:

Do you understand that even though our dogs/puppies are checked over by our veterinarian, there is no guarantee of their age/health/behavior or temperament?:

Do you understand that if you are approved to adopt this dog/puppy, you can take it to a vet of your choice within 72 hours, for an overall wellness exam (Any and all expenses of this visit are the adopters responsibility.) If for any reason the veterinarian says the animal was not suitable for adoption you can return the pet for a full refund with a written note from the vet's office?:

Do you understand, that if you are approved to adopt this dog/puppy, you can choose to take it to our vet (Clint Moore Animal Hospital) for a wellness exam (free of charge)?:

Do you understand that if you are approved to adopt this dog/puppy, we are not responsible for the pets health, medical bills, behavior (Including but not limited to bites/scratches) or temperament once it is in your care?:

Do you understand that if you are approved to adopt this dog/puppy, this pet can not be sold / adopted / given away and/or transferred and any attempt to do so will breach this agreement and require immediate return of the pet to Ruff Beginnings?:

Do you understand that there is an adoption fee of \$_____.00 that must be paid by the adopter to cover any and all cost associated with the rescue of this dog/puppy?:

How did you hear about us?:

I agree to care for this pet humanely and to provide my new pet with adequate food, water, shelter, companionship, and veterinary care. My new pet will not be used for medical purposes. I agree to adopt this pet with the understanding that no guarantee has been given as to the animal's health, disposition or conduct. I will not hold the adoption facilitator responsible for any and all animal bites/scratches that may occur, and I will be solely responsible for the pet's actions while it is in my custody. I will not sell, adopt out, give away or transfer ownership of this dog/puppy at any time. The adoption facilitator will reclaim the pet if any of the above terms and conditions are violated by me or members of my family and I will return the pet freely. I agree to donate \$_____.00 to Ruff Beginnings to help offset the costs and expenses of the rescue and adoption services. I will not hold Ruff Beginnings, its board members, or volunteers responsible for any behavior issues or medical expenses that might occur.

Do you agree to all of the above conditions as listed in the Ruff Beginnings adoption application/contract?:

Adopter's Signature: _____

Ruff Beginnings Board Member: _____

Date: _____

(For Ruff Beginning's use only)

Approved: _____

Not Approved: _____

Do we have permission to publish your FIRST name and a picture of you with your new pet on our website (www.ruffbeginnings.com)? :

Dog/Puppy being adopted: _____

Dog/Puppies new name: _____

