

# Dog Adoption Application



Whiskers, Tails and Feral is committed to finding permanent, responsible, and loving forever homes for our rescue pets. This application will help us find the best match for your family. You must be at least 18 years old to adopt an animal. **Please be aware that the adoption process may take several business days for approval.** Submission of an application does not guarantee that you will be able to adopt one of our animals.

Home visits may be requested prior to approval, and follow-up visits may be required as part of the adoption agreement. **All applicants must provide proof of home ownership or a lease showing a pet is allowed in the home, as well as yard photos detailing the fencing and overall yard condition.** Your donation will help cover the medical expenses associated with rescue. All dogs are spayed/neutered, vaccinated, microchipped, flea-treated, dewormed and more. Large breed puppies under one year old may require a training deposit fully refundable upon proof of completing a basic training program 6 months from adoption date.

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog(s) interested in adopting: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Whiskers, Tails and Ferals and this animal? \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse or Partners Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Best number to reach you \_\_\_\_\_

Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit/Apartment Number: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ I own \_\_\_\_\_ I rent \_\_\_\_\_

How long at current address? \_\_\_\_\_ Nearest cross street: \_\_\_\_\_

Housing type: House \_\_\_\_\_ Condo \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Home \_\_\_\_\_ Dorm \_\_\_\_\_ Compound or Estate \_\_\_\_\_

I live with: Alone \_\_\_\_\_ Family \_\_\_\_\_ Parents \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Roommate \_\_\_\_\_

Landlord name: \_\_\_\_\_

Landlord phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have lived at your current address less than a year, what was your previous address?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Are you employed? Full time \_\_\_\_\_ Part time \_\_\_\_\_ Not employed \_\_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_

How long? \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your spouse or partner employed? Full time \_\_\_\_\_ Part time \_\_\_\_\_ Not employed \_\_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_

How long? \_\_\_\_\_ Partner's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a Facebook account? \_\_\_\_\_ What is your facebook name? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware and willing to spend approximately \$800 per year to keep a dog? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Do you anticipate any major lifestyle changes (moving, marriage, new baby, new job)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Does any member in the household have allergies to dogs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Was your entire family involved with selecting this dog? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been thinking of adopting? \_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) for adoption: Gift \_\_\_\_\_ Companion for self \_\_\_\_\_ Companion for a child \_\_\_\_\_ Companion for other pet \_\_\_\_\_ Protection \_\_\_\_\_ Hunting \_\_\_\_\_ Other reason for wanting to adopt \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to crate train your new dog or puppy? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever crate trained a dog? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ What would you do about barking? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the dog be kept when alone? \_\_\_\_\_

Who will care for the dog should you go on vacation? \_\_\_\_\_

Which member of the household will hold primary responsibility for caring for your dog(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Feeding: \_\_\_\_\_ Training: \_\_\_\_\_ General Care: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware that you may need to house train this dog or puppy? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to house train this dog or puppy? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan on exercising and walking this dog on a regular basis? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever applied with our organization before? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever adopted from other rescue organizations or a shelter? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Please list names of organizations: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever surrendered any animals to an animal shelter before? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what was the reason? \_\_\_\_\_

Has anyone in your household been convicted of a charge related to cruelty to animals or child abuse? \_\_\_\_\_

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Are any abuse, neglect, or criminal charges pending? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had to find another home for one of your pets? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

What approach did you take to rehoming the pet(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

It may take up to a month or longer for your new pet to adjust to other pets in its new home. Are you prepared to allow this much time? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Dogs can live longer than 15 years. Are you ready to take responsibility for this dog's entire life? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If a behavior problem arises, what steps will you take to work it out? \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate your experience with dogs. I've never had a dog \_\_\_\_\_ I grew up with dogs \_\_\_\_\_ I had a dog as an adult \_\_\_\_\_ I know all the poop \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check any behaviors that might make you return this dog.** Allergies \_\_\_\_\_ Moving \_\_\_\_\_ Change in marital status \_\_\_\_\_ Having or adopting a child \_\_\_\_\_ Destructive behavior \_\_\_\_\_ Aggressiveness \_\_\_\_\_

Vet bills \_\_\_\_\_ Not the right personality \_\_\_\_\_ Vacation plans \_\_\_\_\_ House training issues \_\_\_\_\_ Job change \_\_\_\_\_

Chewing/Scratching on furniture \_\_\_\_\_ Divorce \_\_\_\_\_ Not getting along with current pets \_\_\_\_\_ Shedding \_\_\_\_\_

Digging in yard \_\_\_\_\_ Dog hair on furniture or clothing \_\_\_\_\_ Poor Guard Dog \_\_\_\_\_

Biting or scratching a family Member \_\_\_ Jumping on people \_\_\_ New spouse doesn't like dog \_\_\_ Excessive Barking \_\_\_ Not Friendly with guests(barking/hiding) \_\_\_  
Note other reasons you may return a dog or clarify an answer \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Description of your perfect dog. Select all that apply.**

Age: Puppy \_\_\_ Young \_\_\_ Adult \_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_

Size: Under 10 lbs \_\_\_ 10-20 lbs \_\_\_ 20-40 lbs \_\_\_ 40-60 lbs \_\_\_ 60 lbs + \_\_\_

Coat: Short \_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_ Long \_\_\_

Gender: Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_

Breed(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Mixed breed \_\_\_\_\_

**Current pets in household**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Years owned \_\_\_\_\_ Cat \_\_\_ Dog \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Where is pet kept \_\_\_\_\_? Spayed/neutered? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Licensed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Current vaccinations? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dog is tested annually for heartworm? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dog receives monthly heartworm prevention Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Breed of dog \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Years owned \_\_\_\_\_ Cat \_\_\_ Dog \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Where is pet kept \_\_\_\_\_? Spayed/neutered? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Licensed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Current vaccinations? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dog is tested annually for heartworm? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dog receives monthly heartworm prevention Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Breed of dog \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Years owned \_\_\_\_\_ Cat \_\_\_ Dog \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Where is pet kept \_\_\_\_\_? Spayed/neutered? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Licensed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Current vaccinations? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dog is tested annually for heartworm? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dog receives monthly heartworm prevention Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Breed of dog \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Years owned \_\_\_\_\_ Cat \_\_\_ Dog \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Where is pet kept \_\_\_\_\_? Spayed/neutered? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Licensed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Current vaccinations? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dog is tested annually for heartworm? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Dog receives monthly heartworm prevention Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Breed of dog \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_.

May we contact the veterinarian to verify the above information? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**Deceased pets**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Years owned \_\_\_\_\_ Cat \_\_\_ Dog \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Age at death \_\_\_ Cause of death \_\_\_\_\_

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**Household details**

Number and ages of family members living full or part-time in the household

Adults 17-25 years \_\_\_\_\_ Adults 26-49 years \_\_\_\_\_ Adults 50+ \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_ Age(s) of children \_\_\_\_\_

Is the atmosphere in your home Quiet or calm \_\_\_\_\_ Moderate \_\_\_\_\_ Busy \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours will the dog be left home alone on weekdays? Rarely \_\_\_\_\_ 3-5 \_\_\_\_\_ 5-8 \_\_\_\_\_ 8+ \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours will the dog be left home alone on weekends? Rarely \_\_\_\_\_ 3-5 \_\_\_\_\_ 5-8 \_\_\_\_\_ 8+ \_\_\_\_\_

The dog will live: Inside most of the time \_\_\_\_\_ Inside and outside \_\_\_\_\_ Outside, it's just a dog \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your pets or yourself?

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**Whiskers, Tails and Ferals expects that you are going to make a lifelong commitment to this pet. However, if you decide this dog is not right for your household you will be required to return it to us.**

**I understand that this is an application only. All statements have been answered truthfully and to the best of my ability.**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse or Partner -**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Would you like to foster a cat, kittens, dog or puppies or do you know someone who would?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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