
ADOPTION APPLICATION

North Coast Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Ohio, Inc.

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for inquiring about adopting a Bernese Mountain Dog from our Rescue Program. If you can offer the special kind of home these dogs deserve, we may be able to provide you with a dog who will be a wonderful addition to your family.

The procedure for adopting a dog is as follows:

- 1.) Please completely read our Rescue Policy and fill out the Adoption Application.
- 2.) If your application is accepted, we will arrange a home visit when an appropriate dog becomes available. After the home visit you will receive an information packet to help you prepare for your rescue dog.
- 3.) You will get a phone call to set up an appointment to visit the dog. All members of your family who will be living in the home with the dog must come to the visit.
- 4.) After the visit there is a 3-day cooling off period to allow you and your family to be certain that this is the right dog for you.
- 5.) If you decide to adopt this dog you will be given a phone number to call and make arrangements for the adoption. If you feel that this dog is not right for you, we will try to offer you another dog when one is available.

Rescue Policy:

All rescue dogs are spayed and neutered, wormed, immunized, and examined by a veterinarian prior to being offered for adoption. Most of the dogs who come into our program are from home situations where a move, a divorce, allergies, or lack of time have made keeping the dog impossible.

North Coast BMD Club Rescue is a group of volunteers dedicated to seeing these wonderful dogs placed in loving, permanent homes and given a second chance at a happy life. If you are patient with our process, we will do our best to match you up with a devoted, loving companion... a Bernese Mountain Dog.

North Coast BMD Club Rescue requires a nominal donation when you adopt a dog to help offset veterinarian costs, and enable us to continue helping other dogs. If, for any reason, you cannot keep the dog for its entire lifetime the dog must be returned to the North Coast BMD Club Rescue. Rescue dogs **may not be resold or rehomed** without the consent of the North Coast BMD Club.

We reserve the right to refuse any applicant.

Fencing Policy:

We require all prospective new homes to have an appropriately sized fenced in area for the dog. **It must be a hard fence, not an electric fence.**

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NAME _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE _____

HOME PHONE (APPLICATIONS WITHOUT A PHONE NUMBER WILL BE DISCARDED.) _____ CELL/BUSINESS PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT US? _____

NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF YOUR VETERINARIAN _____

Where do you live? **Own home** **Own condo** **Rent apartment**

Do you have children? **Yes** **No**

LIST NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND THEIR AGES _____

Do you have a fenced in yard? **Yes** **No** *If no, will you comply with Rescue's fence policy as stated on page 1 of this application?* **Yes** **No**

COMMENTS _____

IF YES, LIST TYPE OF FENCE, SIZE OF AREA CONTAINED, HEIGHT OF FENCE _____

Do you have other pets? **Yes** **No**

LIST TYPE, AGE, SEX OF PETS _____

Do you currently own a dog? Yes No

Have you ever owned a dog? Yes No

NUMBER OF DOGS YOU OWN/HAVE OWNED

Have you ever owned a Bernese Mountain Dog? Yes No

WHY DO YOU WANT A BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG?

WHERE WILL THE DOG BE DURING THE DAY?

DURING THE NIGHT?

DO YOU PREFER A MALE, FEMALE, OR HAVE NO PREFERENCE?

WHAT AGE DOG WOULD YOU PREFER?

Are you willing to take the dog to Obedience Classes? Yes No

COMMENTS

Are you willing to have a member of Rescue visit your home prior to adoption (by appointment)? Yes No

Are you willing to accept follow-up home visits? Yes No

Are you willing to accept follow-up phone calls? Yes No

Would you be willing to become a member of the North Coast Bernese Mountain Dog Club? Yes No

I have read the North Coast Bernese Mountain Dog Rescue Terms of Adoption and I am willing to abide by those terms if I am to adopt a Bernese Mountain Dog.

SIGNATURE

DATE

**Please mail your completed application to NCBMDC Rescue Contact:
Sherry Gedeon, 619 Tallmadge Avenue, Kent, OH 44240-3434 (phone: 330-673-8230)**