



ANIMAL ADOPTION APPLICATION

PERRY COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

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NAME OF ANIMAL INTERESTED IN ADOPTING: _____

*** ATTENTION! PLEASE FILL OUT THE APPLICATION IN ITS ENTIRETY OR WE CANNOT PROCESS IT.** Also, please verify any phone numbers that you provide for accuracy or we will be unable to contact you. Please include all Vet information for pets that you have owned in the last 10 years. Include Veterinarians including name and phone number, and the names of all animals (within last 10 years). Finally, please include the name the Vet account is under if your name has changed.

*** PCHS HAS A 100 MILE ADOPTION RADIUS.** If you are unable to keep your pets for any reason you would be required by law to return them to PCHS. In the past we have had issues with animals not being returned due to distance, and they have been unnecessarily euthanized. Unfortunately, 64% of all animals that end up at shelters are put to sleep for lack of homes. We are certain that you will be successful in reducing that percentage by adopting from a shelter near you. Thank you for choosing to adopt and not furthering the cycle of pet overpopulation through puppy and kitten mills.

- 1) DATE: _____
- 2) LAST NAME: _____ MIDDLE NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____
- 3) APPLICANT'S AGE: _____
- 4) MARITAL STATUS: Married Not Married
- 5) STREET ADDRESS: _____
- 6) CITY: _____ 7) STATE: _____ 8) ZIP CODE: _____
- 9) DAYTIME NUMBER at which you can be reached: _____
- 10) EVENING PHONE: _____
- 11) EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
- 12) EMPLOYER: _____ 13) SPOUSE'S EMPLOYER: _____
- 14) # OF ADULTS IN HOUSEHOLD: _____ 15) # OF CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD W/ AGES: _____
- 16) Is anyone in the household allergic to cats or dogs? _____

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- 17) Who will have the feeding responsibility? _____
 - 18) Who will have the training responsibility? _____
 - 19) What concerns, if any, does your family have about adopting a new pet? _____

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- 20) How long have you been considering a new pet? _____
 - 21) Do children visit? If yes, please list ages: _____
 - 22) Are you expecting or planning a family? _____
 - 23) What steps will you take to ensure your child(ren) are educated in pet ownership and proper pet care and interaction? _____

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- 24) Type of dwelling: House Apartment Trailer Condo Duplex Other
 - 25a) How long have you lived at this residence? _____
 - 25b) How many rooms are in your home? _____
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26a) If renting, Landlord name and phone number: _____

26b) If it's an apartment, what is the square footage? _____

27) Applicant's name on lease at time of rental: _____

28) If you move, what will you do with your pets? _____

29) Under what circumstances would you NOT keep your pets? _____

30) Would you be willing to let us visit your home? YES NO

31) Pets can take up to a month to adjust to their new homes, particularly if other pets are involved. Are you willing to devote this much time? _____

32) What makes you a good pet owner? _____

33) Have you ever applied with another Rescue/Shelter? If so, which one(s)? _____

34) If you are a first time pet owner, please provide us with a brief explanation why you have not owned pets and now want to adopt. Please list 3 personal references including their phone numbers: _____

35) Why did you choose this particular animal? _____

36) Have you or do you ever plan to use a training collar such as a cinch, pinch, choke, etc.? If yes, what types? _____

37) Are you willing to care for your adopted pet for the remainder of it's life? _____

*** FOR DOG APPLICANTS ONLY:**

- 1) Approximately how large is your yard? _____
- 2) Is it securely fenced? YES NO 3) If yes, what kind and how tall? _____
- 4) If no, will you fence it if you get a dog? YES NO
- 5) If your yard is not fenced, how do you plan to ensure that the dog receives safe and adequate exercise?

- 6) Will you be able to devote daily time to adequately walk your pet for proper exercise? YES NO
- 7) How would you rate your activity level? __High __Moderate __Low
- 8) Do you plan to keep the animal primarily outdoors or indoors (please be specific)? _____

- 9) Where will the animal be kept during the day (please be specific)? _____

- 10) Where would your animal be kept at night or sleep (please be specific)? _____

- 11) Do you plan to crate your animal? Why or why not? _____
- 12) Generally speaking, what kind of temperament are you looking for in a pet? _____
- 13) What amount of effort per week will you devote to training your pet? _____
- 14) What are your training objectives? _____
- 15) Are you likely to enroll them in obedience class? YES NO
- 16) Which family members would assist with home training? _____
- 17) What is your definition of disciplining your dog? _____
- 18) How would you deal with the following behavior issues:
 - Barking _____
 - Jumping _____
 - Chewing _____
 - Digging _____
 - Growling/Snapping (not biting) _____
 - Aggressive Behavior _____
- 19) How do you plan to housebreak your pet? _____

- 20) Describe how your pet would spend the day: _____

- 21) WILL THIS ANIMAL BE A GIFT TO SOMEONE? YES__ NO__
- 22) Is this pet for: COMPANIONSHIP__ GUARDING__ HUNTING__ FAMILY MEMBER__

*** FOR CAT APPLICANTS ONLY:**

1) Do you plan to keep the animal primarily outdoors or indoors (please be specific)? _____

2) Where will the animal be kept during the day (please be specific)? _____

3) Where would your animal be kept at night or sleep (please be specific)? _____

4) What sort of discipline would you use for problem behaviors? _____

5) Generally speaking, what kind of temperament are you looking for in a pet? _____

6) What amount of effort per week will you devote to training your pet? _____

7) What are your training objectives? _____

8) Which family members would assist with in home training? _____

9) How would you deal with the following behavior issues:

Chewing _____

Scratching _____

Hissing _____

Spraying _____

10) How do you plan to housebreak your pet? _____

11) Describe how your pet would spend the day: _____

12) WILL THIS ANIMAL BE A GIFT TO SOMEONE? YES NO

CURRENT PET HISTORY:

- 1) List all pets you currently own: _____

 - 2) Breed(s) of your current pets: _____

 - 3) List the ages of your current pets: _____
 - 4) List the sexes of your current pets: _____
 - 5) Are your current pets spayed or neutered? YES NO If not, please explain why: _____
 - 6) Are your pets kept indoors or outdoors? _____
 - 7) Where did you get your pets? _____
 - 8) What activities do you participate in with your pets? _____
 - 9) What brand of food do you feed your pets? _____
 - 10) What type of flea control do you use on your pets? _____
 - 11) When no one is home, where do your pets stay? _____
 - 12) Do you consider your current pets aggressive to other animals or people? YES NO
 - 13) What type of heartworm preventative do you give to your dog? _____
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PREVIOUS PET HISTORY:

* Please list any and all pets you have owned in the last 10 years. If you have animals after the 10 year mark that are listed on your current vets account, please list them to prevent any confusion when we call to verify your previous pets with your vet.

- 1) Pet(s) name, sex, age, and breed: _____

 - 2) How long did you have your pet(s)? _____
 - 3) Was your pet kept indoors or outdoors? _____
 - 4) Spayed or neutered, if not, please explain: _____
 - 5) Where is the pet now? (if deceased, list cause of death) _____
 - 6) Where did you get this pet(s)? _____
 - 7) What activities did you participate in with your pet(s)? _____
 - 8) What brand of food did you feed your pet(s)? _____
 - 9) What type of flea control did you use on your pet(s)? _____
 - 10) When no one is home, where did your pet(s) stay? _____
 - 11) Do you consider your previous pet(s) aggressive to other animals or people? YES NO
 - 12) What type of heartworm preventative did you give your dog? _____
 - 13) Did you attend obedience class with your dog? YES NO
 - 14) Was your cat(s) tested for disease such as feline leukemia or feline aids? YES NO
 - 15) Have you ever given up a pet(s)? If yes, please explain: _____
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CARE AND VETERINARY INFORMATION:

- 1) What brand of food will you feed your new pet? _____
- 2) Your annual estimated cost of food for your new pet: _____
- 3) Will you be willing to take your new pet to the groomer if needed? YES NO
- 4) Your annual estimated cost of grooming for your new pet: _____
- 5) Will you agree to keep your pet on heartworm preventative (for dogs) and flea preventative (for dogs and cats)?
YES NO
- 6) Will you agree to keep your pet up-to-date on all required routine vaccinations? YES NO
- 7) Your annual estimated cost of routine Veterinary care for your new pet: _____
- 8) What would you do if emergency or general medical care exceeded one thousand dollars? _____

- 9) List your current Vet's information to include: name, phone number, address, and owner's name on file: _____

- 10) Please list your previous Vet's information to include: name, phone number, address, and the owner's name on file: _____

*** PLEASE NOTE, IF VETERINARY INFORMATION IS NOT PROVIDED, YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED!**

Without a vaccination and/or spay and neuter history for your pet, we will be unable to verify your pet's medical history. If you have changed Vets at any time while owning your current or previous pets, please make sure that you list previous Vetting information.

I, the undersigned attest the above information is accurate and complete at the time of signing. I understand that falsely providing information can mean that my application will be denied. If submitting this application on the PCHS website, I understand that by typing my name I am signing this document.

If submitting in person or by mail, please sign and date below:

SIGNATURE / DATE

Thank you for your cooperation by completing this comprehensive application and questionnaire in its entirety. This questionnaire allows us to place the right dog or cat with the right family in a forever loving home. An improper placement or one in which not all details are disclosed can end tragically, usually at your new pet's expense.

Please be aware that submission of an application does not guarantee that your application will be approved. We have strict guidelines that we must adhere to in order to provide the best possible homes for all of our pets. We will contact you within 2-3 business days after we have had a chance to review your application and follow up with your references. You should receive an automatic response within 24 hours upon submission of the online version of this application to verify receipt and with instructions on what happens next.

Thank you!

Perry County Humane Society