

# Smiling Dog Farms



## ADOPTION APPLICATION/CONTRACT

Our goal is to place pets in permanent, loving homes. Please complete this application and contract so we, SMILING DOG FARMS, may assist you in finding a special, compatible companion to join your family. With this information, we, SMILING DOG FARMS, minimize the risk of a failed adoption. We do not adopt dogs or cats on a "first come, first served" basis, but rather make every attempt to match families with the most compatible pets. We reserve the right to decline any application. Our dogs are heartworm tested and placed on heartworm preventative. **I understand that if the dog is heartworm positive, Heartgard® is the only preventative or treatment that may be administered. Any other type of heartworm preventative or treatment could cause the dog to become seriously ill or even die.**

Please print clearly.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of animal in which you are interested: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed/Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female \_\_\_\_\_

### Release for Veterinary Reference: (to be completed by potential adopter)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby give permission for any veterinarian providing service to me to release medical information on any/all of my animals to SMILING DOG FARMS.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

My previous or current veterinarian was/is \_\_\_\_\_  
located at \_\_\_\_\_ and can be reached at (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (include City and Zip Code) \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ What are your hours? \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

How long would the pet be left alone? \_\_\_\_\_ Where would the pet stay? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you or your spouse/partner travel frequently? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, how often? \_\_\_\_\_

What will you do with the pet when you travel? \_\_\_\_\_

What will you do with this pet if you have to move? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing/able to purchase and use a crate if needed or advised? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a pet door? \_\_\_\_\_ How would you handle the dog's/cat's potty needs? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you housetrained an animal before? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, describe how you accomplished this \_\_\_\_\_

How would you exercise the pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Where would the pet sleep? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live alone or with family? \_\_\_\_\_ Does **every** adult in the household agree on owning this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone in the household have allergies? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, are they allergic to animal dander? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children/grandchildren? \_\_\_\_\_ What ages? \_\_\_\_\_

Do they live in the household? \_\_\_\_\_ If they do not live with you, how often do they visit? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing and able to commit to behavior and/or dog obedience training? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent? \_\_\_\_\_ House or Apartment? \_\_\_\_\_ If renting, how long at this location? \_\_\_\_\_

If renting, does your lease allow pets? \_\_\_\_\_ Breed or weight restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

Pet deposit? \_\_\_\_\_ (We will need confirmation of payment of any required pet deposit.)

Rental manager's name and phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a fully enclosed fenced in yard area? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what type of fence and how high? \_\_\_\_\_

If partially fenced in, please explain how your yard is set up: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a pool? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, is the area fenced off? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you owned this breed/mix before? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you owned a rescued animal before? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever adopted from a rescue group or shelter? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what group/shelter? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied to adopt an animal and been declined? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, why? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever given up animal(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, why? \_\_\_\_\_

What did you do with the animal(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

What qualities are you looking for in a pet? (Please be specific) \_\_\_\_\_

What traits or characteristics are you sure you do **NOT** want? \_\_\_\_\_

If the pet becomes ill or injured, are you financially prepared to provide the medical care needed? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you give permission for a SMILING DOG Farms representative to visit your home prior to adoption to do a home check and after adoption to do follow up checks on the pet? \_\_\_\_\_

### PET OWNERSHIP HISTORY

Do you or did you have other pets? Please state the breed, sex, etc. of each pet, including whether it was spayed or neutered and on heartworm preventive, and how and when the pet was acquired and why you no longer have the animal. If necessary, attach another sheet or write on the back.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Dog or cat? \_\_\_\_\_ How acquired? \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Male or Female? \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed/neutered? \_\_\_\_\_

Age of pet \_\_\_\_\_ Length of ownership \_\_\_\_\_

Heartworm preventative? \_\_\_\_\_ What kind of Heartworm preventative? \_\_\_\_\_ When last given? \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last shots: DHLPP \_\_\_\_\_ Bordetella \_\_\_\_\_ Rabies \_\_\_\_\_

Where did this animal sleep? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did the pet stay while you were away or at work? \_\_\_\_\_

Did this pet have any problems or conditions? \_\_\_\_\_

What happened to this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. I agree that I will never sell, trade, or give away this pet to anyone. I will never relinquish this pet to any shelter or pound, whether "no-kill" or otherwise. I will notify SMILING DOG FARMS if I am unable or unwilling to keep this pet, and I will return this pet to SMILING DOG FARMS after arrangements have been made for such return. If this pet is lost or stolen, I will notify SMILING DOG FARMS within 24 hours. I will keep tags on the dog with current information at all times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. I agree that all future medical and health maintenance treatments are my responsibility, unless SMILING DOG has specifically agreed to pay for them under the "special provisions" at the end of this contract. I will administer monthly heartworm preventative to the dog year round. If the dog is heartworm positive, I understand that Heartgard® is the only preventative/treatment that may be administered. Any other type of heartworm treatment or preventative could cause the dog to become seriously ill or even die.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3a. My dog will be primarily indoors, interacting with my family, and will not to be banished to the back yard. I will never tie my dog to a chain or rope or leave him/her unattended for long periods.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3b. My cat will be kept indoors at all times and will never be subjected to surgical removal of its claws.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. I will protect this pet with annual vaccinations and routine medical care and health maintenance as recommended by my veterinarian. I will seek immediate (at time of injury or signs of illness) veterinary care if this pet becomes ill or is injured. I understand this is for the lifetime of the pet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. I agree that the pet SHALL NOT be physically altered in any manner (docking tails, cropping ears, declawing, etc.).
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. I will comply with all state and local ordinances in the confinement, care, and licensing of this pet. I will reclaim this pet promptly, and pay any required fees if it is picked up by an animal control agency. Rabies and ID tags will be kept on the animal at all times. Cats will only wear a breakaway collar specifically designed for cats.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. I understand that SMILING DOG FARMS does not make any guarantees regarding the age, nature, temperament, or health of this pet. I assume all risk and responsibility of ownership of this pet once he/she is in my possession. I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless SMILING DOG FARMS and its agents against any and all claims including claims of property damage and/or personal injury, which arise from my adoption of this pet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. **If I fail to fully and timely comply with the terms of this contract, I will, voluntarily, immediately release ownership, possession, custody and control of this pet to SMILING DOG FARMS, and if I fail to do so, SMILING DOG FARMS will be entitled to enforce specific performance of this contract in addition to any other legal remedy available to SMILING DOG FARMS.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. I affirm that all information in the Application is true, complete and correct and agree that any false or misleading statement thereon will constitute a breach of this contract.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Special provisions of this contract, if any, are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**My signature below affirms that I have read and agree to all the above conditions:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**THE BELOW IS FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY**

<b>ACCEPTED BY          SMILING DOG FARMS          Houston, TX 77082</b>	Adoption Fee Received _____  Cash _____      Check _____
<b>Medical Records Delivered:</b>	<b>Heartworm Preventative Due On:</b>
<b>Flea/Tick Preventative Due On:</b>	<b>Microchip Information</b>