

**Birmingham Boston Terrier Rescue**

**Application to Adopt and/or Foster**

Please fill all information out to the best of your ability and then email to Boston@bhambtr.org OR mail back to us at Birmingham Boston Terrier Rescue, 2898 Acton Road, Birmingham, AL 35243  
Thanks!

**Your Information:**

Full name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address (Street/City/State/Zip): \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home, Cell, and Work phone numbers with area code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Typical work-week schedule: \_\_\_\_\_

**Defining Your Needs in a Dog:**

Please tell us what your considerations are regarding a Boston Terrier.

Have you ever been owned by a Boston Terrier? \_\_\_\_\_  
Which of the following are you wanting to do, adopt, foster, or both? \_\_\_\_\_  
Would you consider a mixed-breed dog? \_\_\_\_\_  
Would you consider a senior Boston Terrier? \_\_\_\_\_  
Would you consider a special-needs Boston Terrier? \_\_\_\_\_  
Would you consider a Boston Terrier that is not fully housetrained at the point of adoption? \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you willing to teach basic obedience commands, such as "sit," "stay," and "down"? \_\_\_\_\_  
What research have you done on the Boston Terrier breed? \_\_\_\_\_

What Boston Terrier(s) are you interested in adopting?  
1st Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please tell us about your family and home environment. While Birmingham Boston Terrier Rescue will adopt a dog to a home with young children, we do carefully review the situation to be certain that the family situation and the dog are a good match so that the children are not put in danger. This said, it is the responsibility of the parents to safeguard their children; and if at any point they feel the dog is a danger to their child (or the child to the dog), they must bring the dog back to the rescue.

**Household Information:**

How many adults live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_ (Please list their ages)  
How many children live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_  
Please list their ages.  
Child Number 1 Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Child Number 2 Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Child Number 3 Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Child Number 4 Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you have small children who visit your home frequently? \_\_\_\_\_  
Please list their ages.  
Child Visitor Number 1 Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Child Visitor Number 2 Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Child Visitor Number 3 Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Child Visitor Number 4 Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Environment:**

Does anyone in your household smoke and if so, how much? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a doggie door installed leading to your backyard? \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not have a doggie door, are you willing to install one? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of dwelling do you have (house owned, house rented, condo, townhome, apartment, trailer, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your dwelling's approximate square footage? \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not own your dwelling, do you have permission from your landlord and/or do your tenants' association rules allow you to have a dog on the premises? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a backyard? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a backyard, approximately how large is your backyard (indicate whether measurement is given in square feet or in acreage)? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a backyard, is it entirely fenced? \_\_\_\_\_

If your backyard is entirely fenced, describe in detail the fence's specific construction (chain link fence, horizontal wooden slat fence, vertical wooden slat fence, etc.) the fence's height, and the spacing in inches between slats if fence is wooden.

\_\_\_\_\_

Does the gate(s) that is built into your backyard fence remain closed at all times with a suitable, sturdy hasp to preclude the gate from unintentionally opening? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a digital camera? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a digital camera, please take several photos of your backyard: one facing east, one facing west, one facing north, and one facing south, with each showing the fence and any gates. Send these digital photos to [boston@bhambtr.org](mailto:boston@bhambtr.org)

**Narrative:**

Please tell us a little about your lifestyle and any activities in which you would like for a Boston Terrier to be able to participate \_\_\_\_\_.

Please explain why you want to adopt a Boston Terrier. \_\_\_\_\_

## **Pet History:**

If you have pets or have had pets in the last 3 years, Birmingham Boston Terrier Rescue requires a reference from your vet prior to adoption. We will need to know that all pets in your care are up to date with all required vaccinations and that all dogs in your care are on heart worm preventative. Applications that do not provide complete veterinary information will not be considered. Please tell us about the pets you have recently owned.

### **Pet #1**

What is this pet's status? \_\_\_\_\_ (living, deceased, ran away, rehomed)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Species: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed/Neutered: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet up-to-date with distemper & parvo vaccinations? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, what is the date of the last distemper & parvo vaccinations? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet up-to-date with rabies vaccination? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, what is the date of the last rabies vaccination? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet receiving a heart worm preventative? \_\_\_\_\_,

Date of last dose administered? \_\_\_\_\_

How often is the heart worm preventative is administered? \_\_\_\_\_

If this pet is not up-to-date, that is, not within the past 12 months, with its distemper, parvo, and/or rabies vaccinations, please explain why there is a lapse.

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### **Pet #2**

What is this pet's status? \_\_\_\_\_ (living, deceased, ran away, rehomed)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Species: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed/Neutered: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet up-to-date with distemper & parvo vaccinations? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, what is the date of the last distemper & parvo vaccinations? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet up-to-date with rabies vaccination? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, what is the date of the last rabies vaccination? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet receiving a heart worm preventative? \_\_\_\_\_,

Date of last dose administered? \_\_\_\_\_

How often is the heart worm preventative is administered? \_\_\_\_\_

If this pet is not up-to-date, that is, not within the past 12 months, with its distemper, parvo, and/or rabies vaccinations, please explain why there is a lapse.

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### **Pet #3**

What is this pet's status? \_\_\_\_\_ (living, deceased, ran away, rehomed)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Species: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed/Neutered: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet up-to-date with distemper & parvo vaccinations? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, what is the date of the last distemper & parvo vaccinations? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet up-to-date with rabies vaccination? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, what is the date of the last rabies vaccination? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet receiving a heart worm preventative? \_\_\_\_\_,

Date of last dose administered? \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Vet Care History:**

Have you used a veterinarian for the pets listed above within the last 3 years?: \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered no or N/A, then provide an explanation as to how medical care was provided to the pet(s) listed above. \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, then complete the following section.

Name of primary veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of primary veterinarian office or clinic: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street/City/State/Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Office phone number with area code: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of account: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of pets in care of primary veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Expectations for Adoptive Dog:**

If approved, please explain how you would care for your adopted Boston Terrier

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Will the Boston Terrier be allowed in the house? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, how many hours a day will the Boston Terrier be allowed in the house?

\_\_\_\_\_

Will the Boston Terrier live solely outside? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the Boston Terrier stay when you are away from the house?

What is your work schedule (hours per day, days per week)? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you made arrangements with a family member, neighbor, or friend who will take care of the Boston Terrier while you are at work? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, explain what these arrangement are. \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the Boston Terrier sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of shelter will the Boston Terrier have access to while outside? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you familiar with the use of a dog crate to train and/or confine a Boston Terrier during your absence or at night? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to use a crate? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware that Boston Terriers are active and that they shed hair all year long? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware that routine costs of maintaining a Boston Terrier averages \$500 + yearly?

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Where would your Boston Terrier stay when you are out of town? \_\_\_\_\_

What would you do with your Boston Terrier if you were to move? \_\_\_\_\_

What would you do with your Boston Terrier should you become unable to care for him/her?

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever sold, given away, or surrendered a pet to a shelter? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered yes, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applications To Other Rescue Organizations:**

Have you applied to any other canine rescue groups, including any other Boston Terrier Rescue groups?

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 If you answered yes, which one(s) and what was/were the approximate date(s) of the applications?

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 What was the outcome of the application? \_\_\_\_\_

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**The adoption application process consists of several steps:**

- Fill out an on-line adoption application
- Obtain and study published literature about the Boston Terrier Breed
- Veterinarian check performed by BhamBTR
- Home visit performed by BhamBTR
- Be patient during application review process, which can take from a week to several weeks.
- If approved, then adoption fee is per the above pricing schedule and is payable in full upon receipt of Boston Terrier via cash, check, PayPal, or credit card
- Read, understand, and sign adoption contract.
- Read and understand Donna's *Your-New-Dog* manual.

I have read and understand these steps. \_\_\_\_\_

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I have read and do understand Frequently Asked Questions. \_\_\_\_\_

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The submission of this application form does not guarantee that you will be approved to adopt a Boston Terrier from Birmingham Boston Terrier Rescue.

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I authorize the aforementioned veterinarian and associated clinic personnel to release information about my pet and its care to Birmingham Boston Terrier Rescue, Inc. \_\_\_\_\_

PRIVACY POLICY: Information given to Birmingham Boston Terrier Rescue, Inc., is confidential and will not be shared with any individuals or organizations. Birmingham Boston Terrier Rescue, Inc., does not sell or rent the information you provide online to third parties.

I, , swear or affirm that all the information of this application is true and correct. I further swear or affirm that nothing has been withheld that would adversely affect my consideration in adoption of a Boston Terrier, or any other dog, and that nothing in my background might disallow me from being considered for the adoption of a dog or any other animal. I swear or affirm that this dog is for my own personal enjoyment and is expected to be my dog and that I am not making this application for any third person or organization or group.

I, , further swear or affirm that I have never been prosecuted, successfully or unsuccessfully, on animal cruelty or similar charges, am in good standing with law enforcement, have no outstanding arrest warrants, and that I have never been refused by any other dog rescue or dog adoption agency, animal shelter, or similar adoption agency of a dog or any other animal.

Electronically signed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_