

Dog Adoption Application

Better Life Canine Center

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Please e-mail completed application to: Adoption@BetterLifeCanineCenter.org

Procedure: * Completely fill out & sign application. * You will hear back within 7 days, or please assume your application was not selected. * For applications selected, a vet-check will be done, then a home visit made. * If the adoption is approved, an adoption contract will be completed, donation accepted, and then you take your new canine friend home.

Today's Date:

Name of Dog(s) Applying for:

Breed/Type:

Please print identification information clearly, *especially email address*:

Applicant(s) Name:

Address

City State Zip

Place of Employment

Since (mo/yr)

E-mail

Home Phone

Work Phone

1. Why do you want to adopt a dog?
2. What do you think are the most important responsibilities in owning a dog?
3. Please list any preferences (age, sex, breed, personality)
4. Have you ever had an application declined for adoption of an animal from an animal welfare group/animal control facility?

Explain:

5. Are you willing to take the time to housebreak a dog, and do you understand that changing a dog's environment may cause the dog to have accidents?

6. If a behavioral problem arises, what steps will you take to work on it?
7. If you are applying for a puppy/dog who is not housetrained, how will you housetrain the dog:
8. Does any member of the family have any allergies to animals?
Explain:
9. Describe the kinds of personal situations where you might have to return your adopted dog, i.e., job loss, children, move, marital change, etc.
10. For whom are you adopting the dog? self gift other family member
11. How many people live in your home?
12. Are there any children in the household?
If yes, what are their ages?
13. Who will be responsible for feeding and taking the dog outside?
14. Who will take care of the dog in the absence of the primary caretaker?
15. What reading and other/or steps have you taken to prepare for a new dog?
16. Will you take obedience training?
17. Will you be willing to obtain an appropriately sized, open-wire crate, if recommended?
18. What kinds of animals have you owned?

19. Describe those pets you currently own:

If you have more animals than space provided, please use an additional sheet of paper and attach to this form.

a. Name	Type	Age	Sex
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Is the pet Spayed or Neutered?

Primarily indoor or outdoor?
Explain:

What year did you get the animal?

How did you acquire the animal?

Comments:

b. Name	Type	Age	Sex
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21. List each vet/animal hospital where your animal(s) received care over the last 10 years:
If several vets were used, please explain and provide approximate service dates. Please note that application review cannot be completed unless each vet's phone number is provided. If the space provided is insufficient, please use an additional sheet of paper and attach to this form.

Name(s) Phone # with area code (for each)

What owner name(s) are records listed under:

Date of last vet visit:

22. Name of vet you will use for your new pet:

23. What kind of veterinary care do you plan to provide:

24. Have you considered the extra expenses that will come with having a dog including vet care, food, supplies and equipment, toys, training and boarding?

Please explain:

25. What type of home do you live in?

House townhouse duplex condo apt mobile

26. Do you own or rent your residence? Own Rent

27. If you rent: Landlord name: Landlord phone #:

What type/size pets are allowed?

If you have rented your current residence for under a year, please provide prior address and prior landlord contact phone number:

Prior address:

Prior Landlord's name: Landlord phone #:

28. Do you have a fenced yard?

Note: Secure, fully fenced yards are typically required for homes with children under age 12. For some dogs, fences of minimum 5 to 6 ft are required.

What type of fence?

How tall? (Give range of heights, if relevant)

Does the fence belong to you, or to neighbors?

Any holes or gaps? Is the fence attached to the home?

29. If you do not have a fence, do you plan to install a fence?
If yes, when?

30. Describe the circumstances in which you would walk/exercise a dog on leash:

31. Describe the circumstances in which you would walk/exercise a dog off leash:

32. How often will you exercise the dog and for approximately how long?

33. How many hours will the dog be left unattended (i.e., workday)?

34. When you are home, where will the dog be kept?

35. Where will the dog sleep?

36. When no one is home (i.e. at work, shopping), where will the dog stay (be specific)?

37. Have you used or do you plan to install a dog door?

38. How often do you travel?

39. What will you do with the dog when you travel?

40. If you move, what will you do with the dog?

41. Are you or your spouse with the military?

42. Are you aware of the adoption fee **\$300.00**?

Puppy adoption fee is **\$400.00. \$100.00 refunded upon completion of spay or neuter.**

When you adopt a dog from Better Life Canine Center it is up to date on all vaccines, has been neutered/spayed(unless too young, see above), and has completed home preparation and obedience training. Also included is one year of free family training with your new dog and 50% off on any future training for the lifetime of your dog.

43. Are you familiar with your local animal control laws?

44. Have **all adult** family members met with and agreed upon the dog?

I have read the above information carefully and have filled out this application honestly. I understand that omission of information and/or failure to answer all questions and sign the application can result in this application being declined. Also, if an omission or untruth is discovered after an adoption takes place, I understand that the Better Life Canine Center reserves the right to annul the adoption and reclaim the animal. I give the permission to Better Life Canine Center to fully investigate the information provided as well as contact veterinarians and related officials. If the application passes this review, I agree to a home and yard visit on a mutually agreed date by a volunteer before an adoption decision is made.

In addition, I understand the adoption decision is dependent on many factors, including but not limited to the compatibility of the family and home to the individual animal, and other applications received on this animal. I understand it is the Center's prerogative to decide which home is most appropriate and that their decision is final, and therefore I will not argue with the decision. Unless otherwise indicated by the Partnership, I am free to apply and undergo the application process in the future.

Signature(s)

Date:

Printed Full Name(s)