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Dog Adoption Application

Pet ownership is a serious responsibility. Harbor Humane Society strives to ensure that each person who adopts a pet is aware of, and willing to, accept that responsibility. The questions on this form are designed to help our staff make sure there is a good match between each animal and family.

PLEASE NOTE: It is our policy to only adopt to homes where the current pets are up to date on vaccinations and/or have received routine Veterinary care. Applications that do not meet this policy shall be rejected.

Our Adoption Procedure: (You Must be 21 or older to adopt) Completely fill out, sign, and submit this Application. Your application will be reviewed, and a vet-check done. Upon final adoption approval, an adoption contract will need to be completed; the adoption fee paid, and then you can take home your new family member after they have been spayed/neutered.

APPLICANT'S NAME: <i>(First, Middle, Last)</i>	HOME PHONE:
Age:	WORK PHONE:
Date of Birth:	CELL PHONE:
ADDRESS:	ZIP CODE:
CITY & STATE:	EMAIL:
COUNTY:	

Name/s of animal/s desired (if known):

Do you live in a **House, Condo, Apartment, Townhouse, Mobile Home, Other:**
Do you currently **Own** or **Rent**?

Name of Property Management or Landlord:
Property Management/Landlord Phone Number:

NOTE: If you rent or lease, please provide a copy of your lease agreement, OR written permission from your landlord for a pet, noting any pet restrictions such as size, weight or breed limitations.

How long have you lived at this address?

Are you planning to move within the next 6 months?

What will happen to your pets if you move?

Name of current Veterinarian:

Phone Number:

*****Please contact your Veterinarian and authorize Harbor Humane Society to obtain information regarding your current pet's vaccinations and spay/neuter history***

Name of previous veterinarian *(if different in the last 5 yrs)*

Phone number:

All of our adopted animals require vet care within 2 weeks of adoption, if you do not have pets and therefore do not have a current vet please list the vet you will be taking your new pet to:

Have you ever adopted an animal from Harbor Humane Society before?

If yes, please tell us the name of the animal(s) adopted and when did you adopt:

Have you ever surrendered any animal to HHS or any other animal welfare organization? If yes, please explain in detail the circumstances:

Have you ever lost an animal? If yes, please explain in detail the circumstances:

Have you ever given away an animal to a friend, relative or other? If yes, please explain in detail the circumstances:

Why do you want to adopt a companion animal?

What reading/other steps have you taken to prepare for a new animal?

Are you adopting a companion animal for yourself, your spouse, your child, other:

Who will be primarily responsible for the care of your companion animal? (vet care, exercise, feeding, training, etc)

Estimate the yearly cost for a dog in your household, include cost of food, medications, vet care, dog license, grooming, etc.

Do any members of your family have allergies? If yes, please explain

What will happen to your companion animals if you were to move?

How many hours will your companion animal be alone during the day without humans?

Where will your companion animal stay during the day when you are home? (inside, free roam, outdoors in fenced yard, outdoors in a dog kennel/pen, inside in a designated room or area, etc)

Where will your companion animal stay during the day when you are NOT home? (inside free roam, crated indoors, indoors in a designated room or area, garage, outdoors in a fenced yard, outdoors in a dog kennel/pen, etc)

Where will your companion animal sleep at night?

Do you have a fenced in yard? If yes, please describe (ex: 6 ft wood privacy, 5 ft chain link, 3 ft picket fence)

Do you have an invisible fence?

If you don't have a fenced yard, what measures are you prepared to take to allow the dog to be outside safely and securely?

What will happen to your companion animal if you are away (vacation, medical emergency, family emergency, business, etc)

In the event that you are unable to care for your animal (Hospitalization, disability, assisted living, etc.), **who will be responsible for the care of the animal?**

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

HHS reserves the right to contact the above person and verify this information

Do you believe that all companion animals should be spayed or neutered? If no, please explain

How will you housetrain your companion animal?

Do you understand that changing an animal's environment may cause it to have accidents?

If a behavior problem arises (chewing, digging, barking, destructive behavior, fearful behaviors, etc) **what will you do to help resolve the issues?**

How much time do you feel is appropriate to reverse negative behaviors?

How have you prepared yourself and your family for the commitment and responsibility of a companion animal?

**Are you interested in taking your companion animal to obedience classes?
If no, please explain**

**Are you familiar with crate training?
Are you willing to use a crate for training and safety reasons with your new
companion animal?**

**Will you be taking your companion animal off leash in unsecured areas? If yes, please
describe the circumstances in which you would be doing this (dog park, training,
swimming, etc)**

**What steps will you take to be sure your companion animal will be safe if off leash in
unsecured areas?**

Under what circumstances would you give a companion animal away?

What behavior issues would be reason or cause to return this animal to HHS?

**Please initial that you accept and understand that a representative from HHS has the
right to do a home visit prior to adoption and as follow up after adoption.**

**Do you understand that Harbor Humane Society requires all adopted dog(s) to be
spayed/neutered?**

**Are you aware of the \$ 100-150 adoption fee that is non-refundable unless there is a
medical problem?**

Do you have any questions or comments?

**I am adopting an animal as a companion pet. I agree to obey all local and
state laws regarding pet ownership. This means that I agree to provide my
animal with humane treatment and will prevent my animal from becoming a
nuisance or hazard to others.**

I certify I have read the above information carefully. I certify that the information in this application is true, and understand that false information may result in denying or nullifying this adoption. I understand that if an omission or untruth is discovered after an adoption takes place, Harbor Humane Society reserves all rights to annul the adoption and reclaim the animal.

I give Harbor Humane Society permission to fully investigate the information provided, as well as contact veterinarians, and related officials.

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 Harbor Humane Society's prerogative to decide which home is most appropriate and that their decision is final; therefore, I will not argue with the decision. Unless otherwise indicated by Harbor Humane Society, I am free to apply and undergo the application process in the future.

Applicant Signature

Print Name _____ **Date** _____

Co-Applicant Signature

Print Name _____ **Date** _____