



## Dog Adoption Application

\*\*\*Completion of application does not guarantee approval\*\*\*

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you 19 years of age or older? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live in a: House \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ Condo \_\_\_\_\_ Town House \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you: Own \_\_\_\_\_ Rent \_\_\_\_\_ or live with someone who does own? \_\_\_\_\_

Landlord's name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you talked with roommates/landlord/parents about adopting? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any kids in the household? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what ages? \_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone in the household have pet allergies? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how will they be handled? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the noise/activity level in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a first time dog/puppy owner? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want a dog? (check all that apply)

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> House pet              | <input type="checkbox"/> Companion for family       | <input type="checkbox"/> Companion for another pet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Companion for children | <input type="checkbox"/> Protection for home/family | <input type="checkbox"/> Watchdog                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> As a gift              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____      |  |

Have you ever given up an animal to someone else or another shelter? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Other pet (specify number of each): Dogs \_\_\_\_\_ Cats \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

If you have dogs or cats, are they spayed/neutered? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

What pets have you had in the past? \_\_\_\_\_

What happened to the ones you no longer have? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a way to keep the animals separate if they do not immediately get along? \_\_\_\_\_

If you move are you committed to finding a place that will allow you to keep your dog? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Where would the dog go when you go for vacation? \_\_\_\_\_

Name and number of current veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

How would you train this dog? (check all that apply)

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|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obedience Classes     | <input type="checkbox"/> Hit with newspaper   | <input type="checkbox"/> Choke collar           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Firm verbal commands  | <input type="checkbox"/> Clicker/hand signals | <input type="checkbox"/> Positive Reinforcement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ |   |   |

Dogs who are not allowed to get enough exercise are more prone to having behavioral problems (chewing up things, too much energy, barking, and even some aggression). How and how often do you plan to exercise your dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be committed to potty train if needed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Pets are an investment of your time and money. Can you afford to provide medical care, grooming, proper diet, proper shelter, and exercise for your new pet? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Are you able to make a long term commitment to care for this dog for its entire life span (\$500-\$1,000/year for 12-20 years)? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

How will you pay for any medical emergencies your pet is likely to experience at some point during its life?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Will you be able to live with hair on your furniture, stains on your rugs, a warm body in your bed, and an animal that might be destructive at times? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

How much time will the dog spend: Inside \_\_\_% Outside \_\_\_%

How long will the dog be left alone without humans? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the dog be when left alone (crate, inside, outside)? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you dog-proofed this area to prevent escape? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Do you have a fenced in yard? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, how tall is the fence? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the dog sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

If something happened to you, who would care for the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Under what circumstances would you not be able to keep this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you adopted a shelter animal before? \_\_\_ Where are they now? \_\_\_\_\_

**By signing this adoption application I understand:**

For the safety of your pet, all dogs are required to leave with a collar and a leash. We have some for sale from \$6-\$12, or you may bring one with you at the time of adoption. All proceeds from this purchase benefit shelter animals.

LCHS cannot guarantee the health or temperament of any animal. We encourage adopters to contact us with questions to find quick and effective advice for everyday problems. If an adopter is no longer able to keep an animal for any reason we require that the animal be returned to LCHS.

The adopter agrees that all information on this application is accurate. LCHS has the right to contact your landlord, rental company, and/or veterinarian.

\_\_\_\_\_(initial) THE HOLD FEE IS NON REFUNDABLE. IF YOU DECIDE NOT TO PROCEED WITH THE ADOPTION, YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE A REIMBERSEMENT FOR ANY FEES PAID, INCLUDING THE HOLD FEE.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

LCHS Representative: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_