

Adoption Application

Procedure: Fill out, sign application and return it to a volunteer at the adoption table. Allow 2-5 days for an initial call back if your application is being considered. If more than 7 days have passed, please assume that the animal was already placed or your application was not selected. The PGSPCA reserves the right to accept or reject any application without a detailed explanation.

Name of animal(s) you are applying for: _____

What interests you in this particular animal? (age, sex, breed, size, personality):

Name:	Date:
Address:	
City, State and Zip:	
E-mail address:	
Phone: (H)	(W) (C)
Best time to call: <input type="checkbox"/> Evening 6pm-9pm <input type="checkbox"/> Daytime 9am-5pm <input type="checkbox"/> Any	
Employer:	Since: (Month/Yr.):

Information about current and previous pets:

If more space is needed, please attach an additional sheet to this form.

Name of current pets	Type	Age	Sex/altered?

Names of previous pets	Type	What happened to pet?	How long ago?	Sex/ altered?

Vet's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name records are listed under: _____

If other vets were used, please explain and provide approximate service dates:

What training have you given your pets? Or, what training do you plan on giving your new pet?

Celebrating 25 Years in Animal Welfare

Preparing for your new pet:

Why do you want to adopt a pet?

Under what circumstances would you not keep this pet?

- Divorce Moving New Job New baby Illness
 Other (please explain) _____
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Have you ever adopted from an animal control or rescue agency? Yes No

Have you ever had an application declined by an animal control/ rescue agency? Yes No

Why was the application declined?

How much do you think it will cost per year to care for your pet? _____

Do you or any member of your family have any ongoing medical conditions including any allergies that might interfere with ownership of a new pet? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

What activity level best describes your home?

- Busy (Visits by friends, meetings, children, parties)
 Noisy (TV, stereo, machinery, tools, lots of kids)
 Moderate (Normal comings and goings)
 Quiet (“Homebodies”, few guests)

Have all adult family members met and agreed upon the pet? Yes No

Are you aware that PGSPCA requires that all dogs/cats in a home be spayed or neutered? Yes No

It may take anywhere from 2 weeks to a month for your new pet to be comfortable in its new home. Are you willing to work with it through this adjustment period? Yes No

Do you understand that some of the animals may not be housebroken and that changing their environment may cause the animal to have accidents and/or destroy household items? Are you willing to take the time to housebreak and train the animal? Yes No

What method of housebreaking do you plan to use?

This pet will primarily be a: In the House Outside Indoor/Outdoor

Where will the animal be left when you're away from home?

- Run of house Crate Garage Doghouse Basement Confined in a room



What is the longest period of time the pet will be left alone each day? _____

How many vacations does your family take per year? _____

What will happen to the animal at that time? _____

How many adults in the home? _____ How many children in the home? _____

Ages of the children at home: _____

Have your children been exposed to animals and the basic handling of them? Yes No

Who will be responsible for the care, walking and exercise needs of the animal?

In what type of home do you live?

Single Family Home Townhouse Apartment Mobile Home Duplex

Do you own or rent? Own Rent How long have you lived there? _____

Landlord's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Is your yard fenced? Yes No

Is the fence secure with no gaps, holes or open spaces? Yes No

How tall is the fence? _____

What material is the fence made of? _____

If you don't have a fenced-in yard how will you handle exercise & toilet duties? _____

Additional Comments: _____

References:

Please list two references (preferably not a relative)

Name:	Relationship:
Phone: (H) (W)	(C):

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Phone: (H) (W)	(C):

How did you hear about us? Petfinder.com Friend Ad

Website: _____ Other: _____



Adoption Application Contract Agreement

- Omission of pertinent information can result in my application being declined.
- If an omission or an untruth is discovered after an adoption has been completed, the SPCA/Humane Society of Prince George's County (PGSPCA) reserves the right to annul the adoption and reclaim the animal.
- I give the PGSPCA permission to investigate the information submitted. I also grant permission to conduct inquiries with veterinarians and related officials.
- If my application passes the above evaluation, I agree to allow a home and yard visit, on a mutually agreed upon date, by a representative of the PGSPCA.
- The PGSPCA adoption fee of _____ which includes microchipping, spay/neuter, DHPP shot, de-worming, rabies vaccine, heartworm test, and one month of Heartgard, is non-refundable when the adoption is finalized.
- The decision to adopt an animal to a specific home is dependent upon many varying factors including, but not limited to, the compatibility of the home and family to the individual animal and the number of applications received.
- The goal of the PGSPCA is to place the animal in the home it feels is most appropriate according to the animal's needs.
- The decision of the PGSPCA is final. I, therefore, will not argue with any member of the PGSPCA over a final decision on my application.
- Unless otherwise indicated by the PGSPCA, I may apply for another animal and undergo the application process again in order to achieve a successful adoption.
- If I have not been contacted by the PGSPCA within seven days, I must assume that the animal was placed in another home or my application was not selected.

____ Please initial to indicate that you have read and understand the policies as stated above. If you have questions or need clarification on any of the items, ask a volunteer for assistance.

Print Full Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Due to the number of adoption applications received, and the limited resources of the volunteer organization, the SPCA/Humane Society of Prince George's County cannot notify all individuals as to the status of their applications. Thank you for taking the time to fill out this application and your interest in adopting a rescued animal!

