

Date: _____

ACR #: _____



OAKLAND ANIMAL SERVICES DOG ADOPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: _____

Address: _____

(h): _____ (w) _____

Email Address: _____

STAFF ONLY

ID Verified

Database Checked:

Age Checked: _____

Age Checked: _____

Proof Shown:
Home ___ Rent ___

- ◆ Why do you want a dog?

- ◆ Have you adopted from us before? **YES / NO**

- ◆ Are you 18 years or older? **YES / NO**

- ◆ Do you own a home or rent? **OWN / RENT**
If you rent, do you have permission to have a dog? **YES / NO**

- ◆ How much time did you spend with the dog outside of its kennel at the Shelter? _____

- ◆ How many people live in the home where the dog will live? _____

- ◆ Are there children in the home or do children visit the home regularly? **YES / NO**

- ◆ How many of the following do you currently have? **Dogs** _____ **Cats** _____ **Other** _____

- ◆ Have you had dogs in the past? **YES / NO** If yes, how many? _____
What happened to them? _____

- ◆ Where will the dog stay during the day? **Describe:**

- ◆ Where will the dog stay at night? **Describe:**

- ◆ Do you have a yard? **YES / NO**
If yes, how high is the fence around the yard? _____ Is it locked? **YES / NO**

- ◆ How will you exercise your dog?

- ◆ On average, how long will the dog be alone each day? _____
- ◆ Where will the dog be kept when it is alone?
- ◆ Who will take care of the dog when you are away for an extended period?

- ◆ Do you understand that your new dog may show unexpected and unwanted behaviors, such as destructive chewing, loud/excessive barking, dog aggression, separation anxiety and even signs of human aggression, when he/she becomes comfortable in your home? **YES / NO**
- ◆ How will you handle behavior problems when they appear?

- ◆ What dog training class(es) will you attend? _____
Or list the name of the dog trainer you will use: _____

◆ How will you housetrain the dog?

◆ What is the name of the veterinarian will you take your dog to?

◆ Do you understand that we can not guarantee the health of this dog? **YES / NO**

◆ How did you hear about the Oakland Animal Shelter? _____

As a Responsible Dog Owner:

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I will provide my dog with good care, including making sure my dog has appropriate food, water, shelter, veterinary care, exercise, toys and attention.

I will make sure my dog has a current rabies vaccination (after the age of four months), has a current license and wears a collar with a current license tag.

I will register my dog's microchip with 24 Hour Pet Watch and notify Oakland Animal Services and 24 Hour Pet Watch if my address/phone number changes.

I will keep my dog on a leash in public areas and avoid taking my dog into City of Oakland Parks (except in specifically marked locations).

I will limit the number of dogs in my household to 3 (for residents of Oakland).

I will watch for any signs that my dog is developing any behavior problems, especially signs of aggression towards humans or other animals, and address these issues quickly, such as contacting a dog trainer for assistance. I understand that it is never recommended to leave my dog unsupervised with children.

I will take the appropriate actions to prevent my dog from barking incessantly and disturbing the peace and comfort of others. I understand that it is not recommended to leave my dog outside at night.

I understand that it is illegal to keep my dog chained or tethered.

I have considered the time and financial demands of having a dog. I understand that caring for a dog can cost approximately \$50-100 a month and that I need to spend time with my dog each day to keep my dog healthy and happy.

I have checked with my homeowner's insurance or landlord if I am going to adopt a dog such as a rottweiler, pit bull, chow, akita, doberman, etc, since some insurance companies and landlords discriminate based on breed.

I understand that if I am no longer able to keep or care for my adopted dog and am unable to re-home the dog, I will bring the dog back to the Oakland Animal Shelter.

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Oakland Animal Shelter reserves the right to deny the adoption of any animal. I understand that if I do not follow the City and State laws related to keeping a dog, I risk losing the rights to my dog.

Applicant's Signature

Date

