

Shelby County Animal Shelter

Deputy Sheriff Kelli Ward, Dog Warden

A department under the Shelby County Sheriff's Office

John R. Lenhart, Sheriff



ADOPTION APPLICATION

DATE: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL: _____

DRIVERS LICENSE: _____

ARE YOU ADOPTING FOR:

YOURSELF FAMILY OTHER

IF OTHER, EXPLAIN:

LIST OTHER MEMBERS IN THE HOUSEHOLD AND THEIR AGES:

HOW EXPERIENCED DO YOU FEEL YOU ARE FOR CARING FOR THIS TYPE OF PET?

NO EXPERIENCE, BUT EXCITED TO LEARN
 SOME EXPERIENCE, I HAVE A VET I KNOW I CAN CALL
 LOTS OF EXPERIENCE

OFFICE USE ONLY

YRLY #: _____

DOG'S NAME: _____

BREED: _____

SEX: _____

COLOR: _____

AGE: _____

DO YOU: OWN RENT

DO YOU LIVE IN A:

HOUSE APARTMENT MOBILE HOME

LANDLORD'S NAME: _____

LANDLORD'S PHONE #: _____

DO YOU HAVE A FENCED YARD: YES NO

TYPE AND HEIGHT OF FENCE:

ARE YOU ABLE TO PAY FOR VETERINARY CARE:

YES NO

DO YOU AGREE TO SPAY OR NEUTER THE DOG?

YES NO

WHAT VETERINARIAN DO YOU USE?

HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE YOUR HOUSEHOLD?

- VERY QUIET, ONLY A FEW RESIDENTS AND NOT VERY MANY VISITORS
- AVERAGE, NOT TOO QUIET BUT NOT TOO ROWDY EITHER
- VERY BUSY, LOTS OF PEOPLE COMING AND GOING

DOG ADOPTERS: WHAT ENERGY LEVEL ARE YOU LOOKING FOR IN A NEW DOG?

- HIGH ENERGY, NEEDS LOTS OF EXERCISE, RUNNING, ETC.
- MEDIUM ENERGY, DAILY WALKS, MODERATE EXERCISE
- LOW ENERGY, SENIOR OR COUCH POTATO, YARD TIME IS SUFFICIENT

CAT ADOPTERS: WHAT ENERGY LEVEL ARE YOU LOOKING FOR IN A NEW CAT?

- VERY ACTIVE, A KITTEN OR YOUNG CAT THAT WILL ZOOM AROUND THE HOUSE AN NEEDS LOTS OF PLAY TIME
- MEDIUM ENERGY, A CAT THAT WILL ENJOY PLAY TIME AND CATNIP, BUT ALSO ENJOYS NAPS
- NOT ACTIVE, A CALM, MATURE CAT THAT WILL SPEND MOST OF THE TIME NAPPING AND SNUGLING

PLEASE TELL US ABOUT THE OTHER DOGS AND CATS CURRENTLY LIVING IN YOUR HOME.

NAME	PET TYPE	AGE	SPAYED/NEUTERED	VET/CLINIC
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

I understand that: 1.) Adopting a pet is a long term commitment; 2.) The Shelby County Animal Shelter reserves the right to refuse/reject any application at its discretion; 3.) My signature allows release of any information necessary to process this application; and 4.) The Shelby County Animal Shelter may perform a criminal background check as part of the application process.

Furthermore,

I, the undersigned and person named above, do hereby declare that I am aware The Shelby County Animal Shelter makes no claims as to the temperament of the dogs adopted. I hereby release and waive any rights against the The Shelby County Sheriff’s office, The Shelby County Animal Shelter and it’s employees for any loss, liability or damages to persons or property caused by the dog identified by the shelter number listed above. I agree to confine and license the dog in accordance with sections 955.22, 955.01, and 955.21 of the Ohio revised code. I agree to provide adequate food, water, shelter and veterinary care for the dog in accordance with sections 959.131 of the Ohio revised code. I hereby declare that the statements and information given in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ALL DOGS AND CATS ADOPTED MUST BE SPAYED OR NEUTERED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF ADOPTION.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

ADOPTION POLICIES

- _____ 1. To adopt an animal you must complete an adoption application and be approved by the shelter staff. All required documentation must be turned in before an application will be considered.
- _____ 2. No adoption applications will be accepted until AFTER the mandatory hold period.
- _____ 3. In the case of multiple applications for a single animal, the applications will be reviewed in the order we receive them.
- _____ 4. Applications are not kept on file. You will need to complete a new application each time you are interested in an animal.
- _____ 5. There will be no "same day" adoptions. In other words, the animal will not go home with you the same day you turn in the application. The only exception would be out of town adopters who have submitted an application in advance.
- _____ 6. We REQUIRE all unaltered animals be spayed or neutered within 45 days of adoption. We sponsor low cost spay/neuter clinics several times a year to assist with this requirement. We reserve the right to confiscate the animal if this requirement is not met. You will be required to provide proof of the spay/neuter to the shelter within the 45 day time frame.
- _____ 7. Animals at the Shelby County Animal Shelter have NOT been vetted or temperament tested. We do not guarantee the health or temperament of any animal adopted from the shelter. We do our best to make sure the animals are healthy and they do receive their first round of vaccinations. We encourage all adopters to take their animal to their vet for a wellness check as soon as possible after adoption.
- _____ 8. All adoptions are FINAL.

By initialing above and signing below, I agree to the adoption policies as outlined in the adoption application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____