



## PUPPY ADOPTION APPLICATION

This application MUST be completed by anyone interested in adopting a pet from PAWS Atlanta. PAWS Atlanta reserves the right to refuse an adoption for ANY reason. All applicants must be 21 years or older and provide a valid ID. All applicants interested in breeds historically used for guarding or fighting (Rottweilers, Pit Bulls, Dobermans etc.) will have their application reviewed by the shelter manager, and adoptions may not be same-day. We want this to be a wonderful experience for you and your family, but our first responsibility is for the health, welfare, and happiness of the animals in our care.

PAWS Atlanta will work with owners to keep the animal in the home as long as a safe and loving environment can be provided. However, if you find it absolutely necessary to give up your adopted animal, you agree to return the animal to PAWS Atlanta. If the animal is showing any signs of aggression towards people or other dogs, PAWS Atlanta will NOT accept that animal back into the shelter. A temperament test by our certified trainer will be a pre-requisite before any animal is considered for return. If the animal is accepted back into the shelter, you agree to bring all paperwork, tags and medical records obtained after the adoption. A \$50 surrender fee will be required.

This application and the information it contains is the property of PAWS Atlanta. By filling out this application, I am releasing my information to PAWS Atlanta. Your personal information will not be given out to any other company or organization.

Please initial: \_\_\_\_\_

### Personal Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Will the animal live at the address above? Yes  No

If "No", please give address where the animal will live: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning on moving? Yes  No

### Home Information

Type of Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you Own Home  Rent Home

Landlord's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Deposit Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Proof of residence must be provided before adoption. PAWS Atlanta reserves the right to contact landlord or apartment complex to verify information\*\*

Do you have a securely fenced yard (no gaps)? Yes  No

Type of fence \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_

Yard size is: Small  Medium  Large  Acreage  No Yard

Is the home in an Urban  Rural  Suburban Setting?

How long have you been at this residence? \_\_\_\_\_

How many times have you moved in the past 5 years? \_\_\_\_\_

How many adults live in the home? \_\_\_\_\_ Children? \_\_\_\_\_ Ages of Children \_\_\_\_\_

Does any member of the household have pet allergies? Yes  No

### **Animal Ownership History**

How many dogs have you had in the past? \_\_\_\_\_

If any, please describe what happened to each of them: \_\_\_\_\_

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How many dogs have you raised from a puppy? \_\_\_\_\_

\*How did you housetrain the puppy? \_\_\_\_\_

\*How did you deal with the puppy's behavioral issues such as chewing and damaging personal property? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Where did your puppy sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Where did your puppy stay when alone during the day? \_\_\_\_\_

What member of your family will be the primary trainer and caregiver of the puppy? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to train your puppy? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of behaviors will not be tolerated from your new puppy? \_\_\_\_\_

When your puppy is fully grown, how large or small would you prefer him/her to be? \_\_\_\_\_

Why have you chosen this particular puppy to adopt? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all pets and species/breeds of animals currently living in the home: \_\_\_\_\_

Are your current pets spayed or neutered? Some  All  None

Are the animals current on their vaccinations? Yes  No

Name of Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had a pet for a short time (less than six months) and it didn't work out? Yes  No

If yes, please explain the circumstances and what happened to it \_\_\_\_\_

Do any of your pets now live, or have lived in the past, primarily outdoors? Yes  No

If yes, please describe pet and its living conditions \_\_\_\_\_

Have any of YOUR pets (not strays) been picked up by or taken to animal control? Yes  No

If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*PAWS Atlanta reserves the right to check county animal control records\*\*

### **Current Pet Owners**

Where does your current pet stay when home alone during the day? \_\_\_\_\_

Where does your current pet sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your current dog on heartworm prevention? Yes  No

If yes, how often do you give the heartworm medication? \_\_\_\_\_

What brand do you use? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your current pet on flea and tick prevention? Yes  No

If yes, how often do you give the preventative? \_\_\_\_\_

What brand do you use? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Plans for this animal**

With this pet, how many animals will live in the household? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want another animal? (please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Companion      | <input type="checkbox"/> Guard Dog                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pet for Child  | <input type="checkbox"/> Companion for Another Pet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pet for Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Breeding                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gift for Adult | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gift for Child | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____               |

Are you looking for a:  Male  Female  Either

Do you prefer a:  Puppy  Adult  Either

Do you prefer a dog to be:  Spayed/Neutered  NOT Spayed/Neutered  No Preference

\*\* If you have specified that you want a puppy, please reconsider adopting an adolescent or adult dog. The puppy stage only lasts for about six months and comes with much added responsibility. Adult dogs are terrific too and bond just as well with their adoptive families. Older animals are the ones that really need rescuing.\*\*

Where will your new puppy stay when alone during the day? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will your new puppy sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

What percentage will the puppy spend inside % \_\_\_\_\_ outside% \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours will the puppy be alone each day? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to exercise this puppy? \_\_\_\_\_

What circumstances, do you think, justify giving a dog up?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Moving   | <input type="checkbox"/> Dog gets too big       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New baby   | <input type="checkbox"/> Children lost interest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not getting along with other pets                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Too time consuming     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage/Divorce   | <input type="checkbox"/> Shedding               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Getting out of fence   | <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Behavioral problems (potty training issues, separation anxiety, etc) | <input type="checkbox"/> Aggressive behavior    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please explain) _____   |   |

Are you prepared to provide a safe and permanent home for this dog for the next 10 to 15 years (average lifespan of a dog)? Yes  No

### **Medical Information**

What do you expect annual pet care (vet care, medication, heartworm prevention, grooming, etc.) to cost? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you expect to pay in the event of a medical emergency? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan to prevent fleas and ticks? \_\_\_\_\_

