



ADOPTION APPLICATION

Kennel #: _____
Name: _____
Microchip #: _____
S/N?: <u>Yes</u> <u>No</u> Rabies?: <u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>
Application Date: _____
Release Date: _____
Hold Number: _____

Please read the following information:

The Humane Society of St. Joseph County strives to place each animal in the very best possible home. Your honest answers to the following questions will ensure the lasting happiness of both your family and your new pet. *Please make sure that every question is answered completely, blank spaces may delay the approval process.*

Please tell us a little about your family and your home:

Your Name: _____ DOB: _____

NAME	AGE	Relationship to You (child, spouse, etc)	Allergies? (Please List)

Current Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____ Phone: Home: _____

Cell: _____ Other: _____

Do you own your home? _____ If yes, how long have you lived there? _____

If no and you rent or lease, please provide us with your landlord's name and telephone number:

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If you have been at your current residence for less than three years, please list your previous address:

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Please check all that apply:

I live in a:
house
condo

apartment
farm
other

I live on/near a:
very busy street
busy street

quiet street
in the country, no traffic
other

My family's lifestyle is:

very active
somewhat active
sedentary
noisy
quiet

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PLEASE LIST THE ANIMALS THAT YOU OWNED OR HAVE OWNED IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS AND ANY ANIMALS CURRENTLY LIVING IN THE HOUSEHOLD (ROOMMATE'S PETS, FAMILY MEMBER'S PETS, ECT.)

Pet#1		
Animal Name:	Breed:	Age:
Vet/Clinic:	What <u>owner name</u> is the Vet records under?	Do you still own this pet? YES / NO
How did you come to own this pet?		

If you no longer own this pet, please explain why: _____

Pet#2		
Animal Name:	Breed:	Age:
Vet/Clinic:	What <u>owner name</u> is the Vet records under?	Do you still own this pet? YES / NO
How did you come to own this pet?		

If you no longer own this pet, please explain why: _____

Pet#3		
Animal Name:	Breed:	Age:
Vet/Clinic:	What <u>owner name</u> is the Vet records under?	Do you still own this pet? YES / NO
How did you come to own this pet?		

If you no longer own this pet, please explain why: _____

Pet#4		
Animal Name:	Breed:	Age:
Vet/Clinic:	What <u>owner name</u> is the Vet records under?	Do you still own this pet? YES / NO
How did you come to own this pet?		

If you no longer own this pet, please explain why: _____

Any other Pets: _____

How many other pets have you owned in your lifetime as an adult? (estimate) _____

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Dog Adoption Questionnaire

(please check all that apply)

Why do you want to adopt a dog?

Family companion

Companion for present pet

Gift for _____

Hunter/guard dog

Other _____

Where will your new dog live?

Inside only

Outside only

Allowed to roam in and out of the house

Outside during the day, inside at night

Inside during the day, outside at night

When outside, how will you confine your dog?

leash

run line

fenced yard

kennel

other _____

I will not confine my dog

Do you have a fenced yard? YES / NO

How high is the fence? _____

What is your estimated cost of owning a dog in the first year? (this estimate includes vet care, supplies, food and toys) _____

What amount of vet care are you willing to provide to your new dog?

Annual check-up and vaccinations

Initial check-up and vaccinations

Vet care only in an emergency

What will you do if your new dog chews or exhibits other destructive behavior?

If you are unable to keep your dog for any reason, will you return it to the Humane Society?

YES / NO

What do you think are acceptable reasons for returning a dog to the Humane Society?

What is the breed, or breed mix, of the dog you are interested in? _____

Please tell us what you know about this breed(s):

I don't know anything about this breed, I just like the way it looks.

I am interested in this dog based on my observations of its behavior and personality, the breed isn't my primary concern.

What housetraining methods have you used previously? _____

What housetraining method will you use for your new dog? _____

What obedience training experience have you had?

How will you train your new dog or puppy?

How often will your dog be exercised?

2 or more times/day

once a day

other _____

Please add any additional comments here:

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Cat Adoption Questionnaire

(please check all that apply)

Why do you want to adopt a cat?

- Family companion
- Companion for present pet
- Gift for _____
- Hunter/mouser
- Other _____

Where will your new cat live?

- Inside only
- Outside only
- Outside during the day, inside at night
- Inside during the day, outside at night
- Allowed to roam in and out of house

What is the estimated cost of owning a cat in the first year? (this estimate includes vet care, supplies, food, and toys) _____

What amount of vet care you are willing to provide to your new cat?

- Annual check-up and vaccinations
- Initial check-up and vaccinations
- Vet care only in an emergency

What will you do if your new cat claws furniture or exhibits other destructive behavior?

If you are unable to keep your cat for any reason, will you return it to the Humane Society?

YES NO

What do you think are acceptable reasons for returning a cat to the Humane Society?

Please add any additional comments here: _____

ALL APPLICANTS PLEASE ANSWER & SIGN BELOW

How much time are you willing to allow your new pet to adjust to your home? _____

If you currently have pets in your home, how do you plan on introducing the new pet?

How many hours will your new pet be alone each day? _____

While your pet is alone, will it have free roaming privileges inside the house? YES / NO

If not, how will the animal be confined? _____

*I certify that I am at least 18 years of age and the information provided is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Humane Society of St. Joseph County reserves the right to deny any application for any reason. Providing false information may result in the denial of this application or reclamation of the adopted animal by the Humane Society of St. Joseph County. I am fully aware that I am adopting a living creature and that the Humane Society of St. Joseph County is unable to guarantee the health of any animal. I understand that I may return the animal to the Humane Society if it is diagnosed with a Life-threatening illness by a licensed veterinarian within 7 days of my adoption. I understand that, if I choose to treat the animal for any illness that develops, I do so at my own expense. In addition, we need information about the pets that you now own and have in your care and custody. To release this information from your Veterinarian about your pets and their care you need to give us permission to obtain the records that your Veterinarian has in their possession about your animal(s). We will also need permission to follow up on the animal or animals that you are trying to adopt to make sure they have been spayed or neutered and vaccinated. **When you sign this document you are giving us permission to ask your Veterinarian to give us all the information we request and you are certifying that all information provided on the adoption application is true and is your honest response.***

Signature: _____ Date: _____

