

# ADOPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

## *Country Acres Rescue*

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This questionnaire must be filled out by the person responsible for the animal's care. The information you provide will not be given to any other organization. It is our job to find permanent, responsible homes for as many of our animals as possible, and at the same time find the right pet for you. To do this, we need the following information:

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/ domestic partner name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License No. \_\_\_\_\_ State of Issue \_\_\_\_\_

1. I am interested in: Pet's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

2. I live in a \_\_\_\_\_ House \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ Condo \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Home \_\_\_\_\_ Townhouse \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. I \_\_\_\_\_ Own \_\_\_\_\_ Rent \_\_\_\_\_ Live with a parent or relative \_\_\_\_\_ Live on campus \_\_\_\_\_

4. Are you planning on moving soon? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_ In Town or Out of State? \_\_\_\_\_

5. If you are renting your house/Apt., what is the name of your landlord and/or Apt. complex?

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

6. Number of children living at home \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_  
Have they been around animals before? \_\_\_\_\_

7. What level of supervision will children/minors have with the cat/dog?

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8. List other family members/roommates/tenants that reside in household?

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9. Has everyone in your household been included in and agree with the decision to adopt a cat/dog?

☐ Yes ☐ No If No, please explain:

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10. Who will be the primary caretaker for the cat/dog?

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11. For what purpose are you interested in adopting a pet: \_\_\_\_\_ as a gift \_\_\_\_\_ companionship  
\_\_\_\_\_ barn cat/mouser \_\_\_\_\_ for my children or grandchildren to play with \_\_\_\_\_ watch dog

12. What traits are you looking for in the animal you are adopting (please circle all that apply):

calm   energetic   fun loving   assertive   docile   submissive

shy   lively   lap animal   other \_\_\_\_\_

13. Are you familiar with the breed you are adopting?   \_\_\_\_ Yes   \_\_\_\_ No   \_\_\_\_ Somewhat

14. Do you know how to introduce the animal into your household? \_\_\_\_\_

15. Please list the breeds and ages of any other pets in your house \_\_\_\_\_  
How many of these animals have been Spayed/Neutered? \_\_\_\_\_

16. Do you have a veterinarian: \_\_\_\_ Yes   \_\_\_\_ No   If yes, please provide the following:  
Name of Doctor \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Clinic \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

17. Owning a pet is an investment in both time and money. Can you afford proper vet care, training, shelter, food, boarding, etc.?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, how much do you expect to spend each year for basic care? \_\_\_\_\_

How much do you expect to spend in an emergency? \_\_\_\_\_

18. Do you have a family member or support system to care for the Dog/Cat in your absence should you become ill or injured?

\_\_\_\_ Yes please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ No please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

19. Have you previously owned/adopted other dogs or cats who are not currently with you anymore?   Yes   No

If yes, where are they now?   \_\_\_\_ Gave away to someone   \_\_\_\_ Gave to a shelter

\_\_\_\_ Lost – please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Died – please explain: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

20. Under what circumstances would you decide not to keep your new cat/dog?

☐ Moving   ☐ Separation/Divorce   ☐ Pregnancy or New Baby   ☐ New Roommate   ☐ Illness/Allergies  
☐ New Carpet/Furniture   ☐ Behavioral Problems   ☐ Veterinary Expenses   ☐ Change In Employment  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

21. Are you or anyone in your household allergic to:   Cats?   \_\_\_\_ Yes   \_\_\_\_ No  
Dogs?   \_\_\_\_ Yes   \_\_\_\_ No

22. Where will your new pet sleep? \_\_\_\_\_

23. If you are adopting a CAT:  
Will he/she be allowed outside?   \_\_\_\_ Yes   \_\_\_\_ No   \_\_\_\_ Maybe  
Do you plan on having the cat declawed?   \_\_\_\_ Yes   \_\_\_\_ No   \_\_\_\_ Maybe

24. If you are adopting a DOG:  
Do you have a fenced in backyard? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No If yes, how high? \_\_\_\_ What kind? \_\_\_\_  
If No, how will this animal be exercised? \_\_\_\_\_

25. Please describe your expectations regarding the dog's behavior/training:

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26. Are you willing and able to attend weekly training classes upon adoption?

☐ Yes ☐ No

27. If behavior problems arise in the future, are you willing to hire a trainer or behaviorist?

☐ Yes ☐ No

28. Please provide any additional information that you would like us to know about you as a potential adopter:

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29. Are you aware of pet health insurance? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No If yes, have you had pet insurance previously? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No Previous Insurance Co. \_\_\_\_\_

30. How did you hear about *Country Acres Rescue*? \_\_\_\_\_

31. I understand there will likely be multiple applications for each of our animals. **A C.A.R. representative will only call you if you are the chosen family for the animal listed on Page 1 of this document. Please Initial \_\_\_\_.**

Because of our concern for placing the appropriate animal in the best suited home, we ask that you please read and abide by the following:

- You must be at least 25 years old, with proof of identification.
- Current identification must show your correct address and phone number.
- A C.A.R. representative may visit my home and/or request photos to verify any information given on this questionnaire.
- A C.A.R. representative may make an adoption follow-up either in person or by telephone.
- The adoption process can take anywhere from a few hours to a few days.
- Please note that we do not adopt on a first-come, first-serve basis. There are times when we receive multiple adoption applications for a particular animal. We try to look at an animal's unique personality and needs, matching this with the best living situation. It also means we sometimes do have to turn down an application.
- The decision of the C.A.R. personnel is final.
- All adoptions must meet the criteria of C.A.R.'s GENERAL ADOPTION POLICIES.
- If approved you must carefully read the terms of our Adoption Contract and be willing to agree to the terms.
- Finally, you must pay a *non-refundable* Adoption Fee as determined by C.A.R.

I have answered all questions on this application truthfully and to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Application reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_ NK/P \_\_\_\_ R