



# DOG ADOPTION APPLICATION

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		<b>Date</b>	
<b>Name</b>		<b>Dog's name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	_____		
<b>City, State, Zip</b>	_____		
<b>Email</b>		<b>Home phone no.</b>	
<b>Cell no.</b>		<b>Work no.</b>	

1. When you have finished the application, please reattach the application as a word document and send to [adoption@tailsofcourage.org](mailto:adoption@tailsofcourage.org)
2. Please read the adoption agreement. You must sign this in order to adopt a dog(s).
3. All potential adopters must agree to a home visit. This is to ensure that our wards are being adopted into safe homes.
4. Adopting a dog is a meeting of the heart as well as of the mind. It is a lifetime commitment to an animal that will be your loving companion and your best friend.

*Completing an application does not guarantee an adoption.*

*We, of course, keep all applications confidential and never sell any names.*

### Step 1: Information on the dog you would like to adopt

<b>A.</b> Are you interested in a specific dog? If so, which one? What do you like most about him/her? If <u>no</u> , please move on to question B.
<b>B.</b> If you aren't applying for a specific dog, please let us know what kind of dog you are looking for. Please provide as much information as possible, ie. breed, gender, age, temperament, fur length, size, etc. Are there any characteristics you are <u>not</u> looking for?
<b>C.</b> What do you like most about having a dog? And least?
<b>D.</b> Who will be the primary caregiver of the dog?

### Step 2: Personal information

<b>A.</b> Are you over 21?	
<b>B.</b> Is your home telephone listed under your own name?	

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If no, whose name is it under and what is their relation to you?	
<b>C.</b> Are you adopting a dog for your home, business, or for someone else?	
<b>D.</b> Please list all persons living with you, their ages, and their relationship to you. If any household member does not want to adopt a dog, please explain.	
a.	
b.	
c.	
d.	
e.	
<b>E.</b> Is anyone in your household allergic to dogs? If so, how do you plan to resolve this?	
<b>F.</b> Briefly describe your residence (ie, 1 bedroom apt, townhouse, etc, )	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do you have a backyard?</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If yes, is it enclosed?</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If a fenced yard, how high is the fence?</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you have no fence, how will your dog relieve/exercise her/himself?</li> </ul>	
<b>G.</b> How long have you lived at this residence? Do you own, rent or sublet?	
<b>H.</b> If you rent, does your building allow dogs?	
<b>I.</b> Please provide name of landlord and contact info.	
<b>J.</b> What is your place of employment? (please include address & phone)	
<b>K.</b> How long have you worked there?	

**Step 3: Pet care**

<p><b>A.</b> Have you ever had a dog before? If deceased, please give circumstances and date(s) of death. If you have had multiple pets, please feel free to give information on only the most recent.</p>	
<p><b>B.</b> Do you currently have other companion animals living in your household?</p>	

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If yes, please list species, age, breed, sex of each animal. Are they spayed/neutered?							
Name	Dog/Cat	Age	Breed	M/F	Altered?	Up To Date with Vaccinations?	Cat: Familiar w/dogs?
C. Have you ever taken a pet to a shelter? If yes, please explain why and when.							
D. Can you financially afford to care for your new pet?							
E. Do you agree to take your dog for yearly veterinary checkups?							
F. Who is your local veterinarian? (We are happy to provide recommendations if needed.)							
Name:				Phone no:			
G. What kind of food do you expect to feed your dog? (We are happy to provide recommendations if needed, otherwise you may speak with your vet.)							
H. What is your household activity level? Please explain.							
I. How many hours per day will your dog be alone?							
J. Where will your dog be kept during the day? And at night?							
K. Who will walk your dog and how often?							
L. Who else will be spending time with your dog?							
M. What sort of training do you plan on providing?							
N. If the dog is a puppy, are you able to housetrain your dog?							
O. Would you object to a visit to your home before and after the adoption is completed?							
P. Who will care for your dog while you are traveling?							
Q. If you became ill, disabled or died, who will care for this dog? Please provide name, address and phone no.							

**Step 4: References and certification**

A. Please supply two references who are not family members. We will contact both of them.		
Name	Phone number / email (best time to call)	Relationship to applicant

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B. Please sign your name below to indicate that you agree with the following statement: (Your typed signature is considered as binding as a handwritten signature on this document.)

*I certify that the above information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that my completion of this form in no way obligates TOC to adopt a dog to me. I further understand that in order to complete the adoption process, TOC may conduct a home visit.*

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

*IF APPROVED FOR ADOPTION OF A DOG, YOU WILL BE PROVIDED WITH THE ADOPTION CONTRACT WHICH MUST BE SIGNED AND RECEIVED PRIOR TO ADOPTION.*