LIGHTHOUSE ANIMAL SHELTER DOG ADOPTION APPLICATION

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Name of dog(s) I am interested in adopting:

Thank you for considering a shelter animal! Before you decide to adopt a dog, please consider the time, effort & funds (supplies, food, vaccines, vetting, preventatives, etc.) needed to properly care for an animal. Responsible pet ownership requires a commitment to provide care & companionship for the life of the animal. Please carefully read & fill out this adoption application to help us help you in selecting an animal that will be a good fit for your family situation.

Name: Age: Email:

Co-Adopter: Age: Email:

Primary Phone #: Alternative Phone #:

How do you prefer to be contacted?

Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

I currently live in a: ◯ House ◯ Condo ◯ Apartment ◯ Other

◯ I own ◯ I rent: Landlord Name: Landlord Phone #:

**If your relative/friend/etc. owns the home you reside at, please leave their name & number above as the landord.*

How long have you lived at your current residence?

How many adults live in your home? Children's Ages:

Is everyone in your household agreeable to adopting a dog? ◯ Yes ◯ No May we visit your home? ◯ Yes ◯ No

What type of fencing do you have? ◯ None ◯ Partial ◯ Electric Fence ◯ Enclosed Pen feet high

◯ Fully Fenced ◯ Stockade feet high ◯ Chainlink feet high ◯ Picket feet high

Additional Notes on your fencing/yard:

How many hours/day will your new dog be alone?

What is your plan for those times a responsible adult is not home/You may also provide more info on your schedule here:

What qualities are you looking for in your future dog? Good with: ◯ Kids ◯ Dogs ◯ Cats

◯ High Energy ◯ Medium Energy ◯ Low Energy ◯ Calm ◯ Independent ◯ Snuggly ◯ Playful

Weight range you're looking for: Additional qualities:

Age range you're looking for:

Please check all behaviors with which you would NOT be comfortable in handling.

◯ Barking ◯ Chewing ◯ Growling/Fear Aggression ◯ Shyness ◯ House Training Issues ◯ Jumping
◯ Counter Surfing ◯ Separation Anxiety

Other:

List all animals you've had within the last 7 years, even if they are no longer in your care:

Species	Name	Age	Fixed	Male/ Female	Vaccinated	How long have you had this pet?	Is this pet still in your care? If not, what happened to him/her?
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Current Veterinarian: Vet Phone #:

Previous Veterinarian(s): Vet Phone #:

Vet Phone #:

If your vet history is not under your name, who's name is it under? (Sometimes we are unable to find the correct file due to the vetting history being under a relative's name, roommate's name, maiden name, etc.)

What are the personalities of your current animals?
(i.e. dominant, submissive, good with other dogs - male and/or female, energetic, laid-back, etc.)

Please provide 2 personal references (not related, who know of your experience with animals):

Name: Phone #:

Name: Phone #:

Please contact your vet, references & landlord as applicable to let them know we'll be calling.

How did you hear about us?

If we didn't leave you enough room for a question above, please leave additional notes here:

Lighthouse Animal Shelter selects the best match between dog and family, rather than adopting on a first come, first serve basis to increase the likelihood of a successful adoption experience. If your application is approved, but the dog you are interested in adopting is a better fit for another family, we will keep your application on file and work with you to find a dog that is a good match for your family.

Most rescue dogs will need to go through an initial adjustment period. They may have accidents, bark or whine,

chew, and/or need to learn to get along with other dogs and/or cats in the household. Are you willing to work with your new dog in dealing with obedience training and house training issues? ◯ Yes ◯ No

Our adoption fee is $400.00 ($415.00 if paid by credit card) which helps to cover the expenses incurred in the dog's rescue. This includes spay/neuter, vaccinations, heartworm testing, and flea/tick & heartworm preventatives and de-worming while in our care, transport, boarding and other misc. expenses, and in most cases a microchip.

Please remember that your new dog should never be left around children unsupervised, and that your new dog needs to be kept in a secure fenced in yard, or on a leash when not inside, until (s)he is well-bonded to you, knows his or her territory, and is consistent in coming when called.

The Adopter hereby understands, promises, and agrees that in consideration of the receipt of this dog, that they and each of them forever release, discharge and covenant to hold harmless Lighthouse Animal Shelter and any other person, firm, or organization charged or chargeable with responsibility or liability, their heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns from any and all claims, damages, costs, expenses, loss of services, actions and causes of action belonging to the said Adopter, or to any other person or entity, arising out of any act or occurrence from the present time and particularly on account of the conduct, actions, adoption and/ or recovery by Lighthouse Animal Shelter of the dog identified in the contract attached.

Adopter Signature: _____ Date: _____