



Hillsborough County
Animal Services
ADOPTION APPLICATION

(Incomplete Application will not be approved)

Name: _____ Mate/Spouse _____ Date _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home phone: (____) _____ Alternate phone: (____) _____

Employer: _____ Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Are you over 18 years old? [] Yes [] No How many children live in your home _____ Ages: _____

Type of dwelling you reside in? [] Single residence (house) [] Condo/Apt [] Mobile Home [] Other _____

Do you [] Own [] Rent [] Live with parents Landlord or owner's name: _____ Phone: _____

Any restrictions on owning pets? [] Yes [] No What are they? _____

How many animals live at your address at this time? Cat's _____ Dogs _____ Other _____

Are their rabies vaccinations current? [] Yes [] No Veterinarian's Name: _____

Tag Numbers: _____

Where will you house the animal? [] Indoors [] Outdoors Is your yard fenced? [] Yes [] No

Where will the animal sleep? _____

Type of outside shelter available for pet if living outdoors: _____

Have you read the "Education Questionnaire" form? [] Yes [] No

Have you ever adopted from us before? [] Yes [] No When? _____

Since most animals have unknown medical backgrounds, do you agree:

A. to take the animal for a complete veterinary exam within 72 hours? [] Yes [] No

B. provide any necessary medical treatment at your own expense? [] Yes [] No

Will you be responsible for all the animal needs? [] Yes [] No Other _____

Table with 2 columns: Why do you want an Adoption Animal? and How will you exercise your Adoption Animal? Each column lists options with checkboxes and instructions to circle all that apply.

To the best of my knowledge, the information provided above is accurate. I understand that a field investigation may be required before approval of my application. I further understand the animal I wish to adopt today may no longer be available for adoption when my application is approved and that my approved application will be kept on file for 180 days. I have a general understanding of the requirements of companion animal ownership, and I agree to abide by the county ordinance relating to the care and licensing of the animal I adopt. I also understand that Hillsborough County Animal Services (HCAS) has the right to deny my request for adoption.

I agree to allow HCAS at any time or times within one year from the date of adoption to investigate the premises where the animal is kept and to reclaim the animal if, upon reliable evidence, HCAS staff investigates and determines that the animal is not being adequately cared for. In the event HCAS reclaims the animal, I knowingly and freely hold harmless Hillsborough County from any and all liability, damages, debts, costs, or expenses incurred during my possession of the animal.

Signature of Applicant _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY ANIMAL SERVICES PERSONNEL ONLY

Application: [] Approved [] Not Approved Reason: _____



Responsible Pet Ownership Education Questionnaire

1. Have you given thought to what type of pet you want? Yes No
2. What type of pet do you want? Dog Cat Other Don't know
3. Is everyone in your household aware of your intention to adopt a pet? Yes No
4. Is anyone in your household allergic to pets? Yes No
5. Do you have the time to feed, groom and exercise a dog cat other ?
6. Do you understand that you as the owner are responsible for all costs of care for your pet, including food, grooming and veterinary care? Yes No
7. Do you have pet supplies at home now? Yes No
8. If adopting a cat, do you have a litter box ready at home? Yes No
9. A dog's average lifespan is 12 years; a cat's is 14 years. Are you willing to make a lifelong commitment to your newly adopted pet? Yes No
10. Our adoption dogs and cats have a microchip implanted in them. As the owner, your name, address and phone number will be registered to your pet's microchip number. Do you understand the importance of keeping this information updated so that you can be reunited with your pet should it become lost? Yes No
11. Who will be responsible for training and housebreaking your pet? _____
12. You may have to deal with your new pet having accidents on carpets and furniture. Will you be able to tolerate this until house trained? Yes No
13. Puppies can be very destructive, chewing, digging, etc. This can last in some breeds for up to 18 months or longer. Will you be able to tolerate this? Yes No
14. Puppies go through many changes; you might adopt a small puppy that will grow up larger than expected. Would you be able to keep it as part of your family or would you have to return it if it gets too large? Yes No
15. Are you aware that most of our animals were strays? That we don't know their backgrounds. Since they are strays, most dogs have gone under, over, or through the fence. Behavior training would be helpful. Would you be willing to take your pet for training if needed? Yes No
16. Have you read any materials to prepare yourself to be a new pet owner? Yes No
17. Different breeds have different needs, are you aware of this? Yes No
18. Cats have a mind of their own; they sometimes jump on tables, counter tops, etc. They also may scratch your furniture, are you prepared to work with the behavior training of your new cat? Yes No
19. All animals will shed; will this be a problem? Yes No
20. Do you feel that the adoption of your new pet should be a family decision? Yes No
21. Should all family members be present at time of adoption, to be sure that everyone accepts each other? Yes No

Signature _____ Date _____