

**SNARR Animal Rescue Northeast Inc.  
Special Needs Animal Rescue & Rehabilitation  
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*UNIVERSAL ADOPTION APPLICATION*

YOU MUST COMPLETE EACH QUESTION ON THIS APPLICATION. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. PLEASE ANSWER EACH QUESTION IN AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE, PROVIDING PHONE NUMBERS AND APPROPRIATE CONTACT PERSONS AS REQUESTED. CUT AND/OR COPY, AND PASTE IN AN E-MAIL OR AS AN ATTACHMENT

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Name of Dog(s) You Wish to Adopt: \_\_\_\_\_

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Shelter Name and animal ID ( if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Applicant Age : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find out about S.N.A.R.R.?

Why do you want to adopt a dog?

What do you think are the most important responsibilities in owning a dog?

Are you willing to take the time to work with a dog on housebreaking issues, should the need arise? \_\_yes \_\_no

Do you understand and accept that changing a dog's environment may cause the dog to have accidents, especially in the early days of the adoption? \_\_yes \_\_no

If a behavioral problem arises, what steps will you take to work on it?

Does any member of the family have any allergies to animals? \_\_yes \_\_no  
If yes, please explain:

For whom are you adopting the dog?

Have you ever owned a pet before? \_\_yes \_\_no  
If yes, what kinds of animal(s) and when?

Which of these pets do you still own?

Please describe any pets you still own, in as much detail as possible (type, age, sex, etc.).

Is/are the animal(s) spayed/neutered? \_\_yes \_\_no

Which pets do you no longer own?

What happened to him/her/them?

Were they spayed/neutered? \_\_yes \_\_no

Have you ever given any of your animals away for any reason?  
\_\_yes \_\_no

If yes, please explain the reason(s):

What do you consider a good and valid reason for giving up a dog?

What is the name and phone number of the veterinary hospital where your animal(s) has/have received care and vaccinations? Please make sure to provide full information

Do you have a different vet in mind for your new pet? yes no  
If yes, please specify, and kindly say why you are changing vets.

What kind of veterinary care do you intend to provide?

Will you consider obedience training for your dog? yes no

Do you have any experience with obedience training? If so, please specify:

Would you be willing to obtain a crate if recommended for the dog? yes no

How many people currently reside in your household?

Is everyone equally enthusiastic about adopting a dog?  
yes no Please explain your answer:

How would you describe the activity level in your household?

Are there any children in the home? yes no  
If yes, what are their ages?

If there are children in the home, do any have experience with animals? yes no  
If yes, please provide some details:

Who will be responsible for feeding the dog and taking him/her outside?

In the absence of the primary caretaker, who will take care of the dog?

Do you own or rent your residence?  own  rent

If you rent, what is the name of the landlord and the phone number?

-- Are pets allowed?  yes  no

Do you live in a:

Single family home

Duplex

Townhouse

Mobile home

Condominium

Apartment

Other (please explain):

Are there any restrictions or covenants where you live?

yes  no

If yes, please list them:

Do you have a fenced yard?  yes  no

If yes, how high is the fence?

-- What type of fence is it?

-- Any holes or gaps or weak areas?

-- If you do not have a fence, do you plan to get one?  yes  no

-- If so, when?

--If not, why not?

Would you walk/exercise a dog on or off-leash or both?

Where will the dog be kept?  indoors only  outdoors only  both in/out (explain):

How much time will the dog spend outdoors?

Explain:

Will anyone be home during the day? yes no

-- How many hours will the dog be left unattended?

When you are home, where will the dog be kept?

When no one is home, where will the dog be kept?

Where will the dog sleep?

Are you willing to keep a collar with a tag bearing your name and phone number on your dog at all times?

yes no

How often and for what reasons do you travel?

What will you do with the dog when you travel?

What will you do with the dog if you move/change housing?

Have you ever bred dogs? yes no

Are you aware and do you accept that S.N.A.R.R. requires that all dogs and cats in the household be spayed/neutered before an adoption of a S.N.A.R.R. dog can take place? yes no

Are you aware and do you accept that S.N.A.R.R. requires an adoption fee ? yes no

The average dog has a lifespan of 12 to 15 years. Are you willing to make a commitment to this dog for the rest of his/her life? yes no

If this is a long distance adoption, are you willing to:

Travel to get the dog (by plane or car or both?)

Pay for the costs of transportation.

Meet somewhere along the way.

Unable/Unwilling to travel or assume costs.

If, for any reason, you are unable to keep your dog, do you agree to notify S.N.A.R.R. immediately? yes no

If you are unable to keep your dog, do you agree to return him/her to S.N.A.R.R. without hesitation? yes no

If this is a long distance adoption, and you are unable to keep your dog, are you willing to assume the responsibility, including travel, boarding and financial responsibility, for returning the dog to S.N.A.R.R. ? yes no

Please list any preferences you have in adopting a dog (age, sex, breed, personality, etc.):

Please provide the names and numbers of TWO people we may contact to serve as references for you. This could be your vet or vet staff members or anyone who knows you, especially with respect to your interaction with animals.

Please list any concerns or final questions here:

I have read the above information carefully and have filled out this application honestly. I understand that omission of information and/or failure to answer all questions and sign the application can result in this application being declined. Also, if an omission or untruth is discovered after an adoption takes place, I understand and accept that S.N.A.R.R. has the right to annul the adoption and reclaim the dog.

I give S.N.A.R.R. permission to fully investigate the information provided as well as contact veterinarians and related officials. If the application passes this review, I agree to a home and yard visit on a mutually agreed date by a S.N.A.R.R. representative before an adoption decision is made.

Furthermore, I understand and accept that the adoption decision depends upon many factors, including – but not limited to – the compatibility of the family and home to the individual dog and other applications received on the dog. I understand and accept that S.N.A.R.R. will decide which home is most appropriate for the individual dog, and therefore I will not take issue with the decision. Unless otherwise indicated by S.N.A.R.R. , I may be considered for another dog.

Signature:

\_\_\_\_\_

Printed Full Name:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Adoption agreement – MUST be signed (electronic or actual signature)

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Age: \_\_\_\_\_

This agreement is entered into this date by and between SNARR RESCUE and the applicant ("Adopter") for the adoption of the above identified rescue dog ("the dog").

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

1. Adopter agrees the dog is to be a family companion and agrees to provide the dog with a safe home, adequate food, water, proper care, exercise, love and attention. Adopter agrees not to violate any federal, state, or local laws or ordinances with the dog. The dog is not to be used as an attack or protection trained dog and will not be used for commercial guard work.
2. Adopter agrees to keep a buckle collar on the dog with ID tag, current rabies tag and town dog license. The dog is only to have a choke collar on during training and walks. If at any time the dog is lost, stolen, hurt or killed, the Adopter is to notify SNARR immediately via writing.
3. Adopter agrees that the dog will be confined inside the home when no one is at home. When the Adopter is to go away for a prolonged period of time or vacation, Adopter is to pre-arrange proper care for the dog.
4. The dog is not to ride loose in the bed of pickup trucks, convertibles or to be left in a car when air temperatures exceed 65 degrees.
5. Adopter agrees to have a clean, secure fenced area for the dog. If a fenced enclosure is not available, Adopter agrees to leash walk dog. If Adopter uses invisible fencing, the dog is to be sufficiently trained before releasing it inside the system. Under no circumstances is the dog to be kept routinely on a runner or tie out.
6. Adopter agrees to have the dog examined by a licensed veterinarian at least once each year and provide for all vaccinations and treatments necessary to ensure good health. If euthanasia becomes necessary as determined by a licensed veterinarian, Adopter agrees to have it performed by such a licensed veterinarian. Adopter agrees to give monthly Heartworm, flea and tick preventative medication.
7. Adopter agrees to notify SNARR of change in address/phone number within two weeks of such change.
8. SNARR makes no guarantees or statements regarding the dog's age, breed, health, or temperament. While SNARR made every effort to provide accurate history and assessment of the dog, we are not able to guarantee the dog's age, breed, medical status, behavior or disposition. No one can predict how any dog will react in a given situation, especially without complete knowledge of its background, as in the case with a rescued dog. The adopter(s) acknowledge this. Therefore, the adopter(s) are encouraged to exercise caution in introducing an adopted dog to new situations, family members, other pets, and visitors. The enthusiastic reactions of some children to dogs can often frighten the dog. It is strongly recommended that a responsible adult monitor the interaction between dogs and children at all times.
9. There have not been nor can there be made explicit or implied guarantees or warranties regarding the temperament, behavior or physical condition either of the adopted dog or of its freedom from genetic defects. The dog is adopted "as is" and the

adopter(s) assumes all responsibility for treatment of any and all existing conditions or any other conditions, physical or temperamental, that may occur.

10. The adopter(s) hereby acknowledges, understands, promises and agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the rescuers from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of actions, or liability of any kind whatsoever arising out of or in connection with this adoption/foster.
11. Please be advised that "SNARR Animal Rescue" and its associates will be not be held responsible or liable for the actions of any dog when not in our immediate care and custody or when the Adopter takes physical possession of the dog(s). All dogs adopted and or fostered are the sole responsibility of the care provider signed below. By signing this document electronically or physically, the signer, *which shall also include all family members, all residents, and all occupants who share the domicile and/or residence of the signer*, understands and agrees to Hold Harmless "SNARR Animal Rescue" and its associates from any and all Liabilities pertaining to the actions of the above mentioned dog. The below signed also acknowledges and accepts all the risks involved in the handling of this or any dog as "SNARR Animal Rescue" specifically makes no representations or guarantees, express or implied, as to the lack thereof of the dog(s)'(s) violent propensities.
12. SNARR is available for consultation, advice and assistance pertaining to the health, training and compatibility of the dog. Adopter agrees to release SNARR & its members or representatives of any and all possible claims arising from injury or damage caused by the dog to any person or property. Adopter accepts this dog as is with all defects, either observable or unobservable, and assumes all risk for the dog upon signing of this contract.
13. If for whatever reason, including but not limited to: health reasons of the dog or Adopter, social reasons of the dog or Adopter, and issues of residency, the Adopter is unable to keep this dog for its entire life, the Adopter MUST return the dog to SNARR within 5 days of written demand to Adopter by SNARR. Furthermore, should Adopter wish to euthanize any dog for reasons due to health, sickness and/or age, prior to so doing, Adopter MUST first inform SNARR of same in writing. Should SNARR wish to obtain possession of the dog prior the euthanasia of same, Adopter must return the dog to SNARR within 5 days of written demand.
14. Adopter agrees not to give away, sell or dispose of the dog without express written consent of SNARR.
15. Adopter will allow SNARR to conduct home visits and phone check-ins at their discretion after adoption in order to check on the dog's welfare up to 1 year after date of adoption.
16. Adopter agrees that puppies younger than 1 year will be enrolled in Obedience Training within 30 days of adoption.
17. In the event this contract, including all its covenants and conditions, is breached by Adopter, SNARR has the right to rescind this contract and demand return of the dog at any time. If Adopter fails to return the dog within 5 days of written demand to Adopter, SNARR will seek a Court Order for return of the dog and seek liquidated damages from the Adopter in the amount of at least \$5,000.00 plus any court costs or attorney's fees. Payment of damages shall not excuse Adopter from returning the dog to SNARR.
18. This agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon Adopter and SNARR and their successors or beneficiaries. Both parties have fully read and understood all of the agreement, which sets forth all promises, conditions, and understandings, oral or written.
19. Any disputes between the parties are to be resolved in a court of law in the State of New York venued in Westchester County and shall be resolved in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
20. By emailing this adoption contract on behalf of any dog in SNARR's care, adoptee's electronic submission/signature is considered binding.
21. This adoption agreement shall be fully applicable and pertain to the dog listed above, as well as to any and all other dogs the adopter may adopt in the future from SNARR. Should the signing party adopt any other dog in the future, the terms and conditions of the agreement incorporated herein shall remain in full force and effect without the necessity of a new agreement being fully executed.

In testimony whereof, Adopter and SNARR sign on this date:

SIGNATURES:

Adopter: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

SNARR Rescue Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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