

## ADOPTION APPLICATION

In order to be considered as an adopter from Small Chance Rescue you must:

- Be 21 years of age or older.
- Be able and willing to spend the time and money necessary to provide training, medical treatment and proper care for a pet for the entire life of that animal.
- Have the knowledge and consent of your landlord.
- Have the knowledge and consent of all adults living in household.
- Understand that children's age restriction will be based on their exposure to and experience with this specific breed.
- Understand that SCR has the right to either deny or approve your adoption application without explanation.

Please note that the Small Chance Rescue Group has the following policies in place for adopters:

- Dogs and cats in the adoptive home must be spayed/neutered and current on vaccinations and the dogs must be on monthly heartworm prevention (some medical situations excepted - we will call your veterinary reference)
- Applications from the Austin area receive priority in the case of multiple approved applicants for a dog. Applications from outside of the Austin area cannot be processed if we cannot find a volunteer in the area to do a home visit on our behalf.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out our adoption application. The purpose of this application is to learn a little about your family and home so that our organization can make the best possible match for both you and our rescue animal. Our main concern is placing our animals in a compatible home with a family that will give them a LIFETIME commitment of love and proper care. Please be aware that while completing this application does not bind you to adopt one of our animals, neither does it guarantee that we will place one of our animals in your home. Some of these questions are intended to stimulate thoughts about the ownership of your pet and the impacts the dog will have on your life in addition to us knowing the answers. Please take your time and answer thoroughly. The application may take you time to complete, but your future dog could be with you for years to come, so the commitment up front on finding a great match is a fraction of the time the animal will be with you.

Please keep in mind that we have no paid employees; we are all volunteers with jobs, families, pets, and foster dogs. Please be patient with our application and adoption process. Some applications can be processed within a few days, but expect that the entire process could take up to 2 weeks.

Standard adoption fee is \$300

\*Adoption fees for puppies, elderly, and special needs dogs are determined on a case by case basis.

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**Small Chance Rescue**

Austin, TX

(512) 699-7244

info@smallchancerescue.com

Date:

Name or type of dog seeking:

Reason for selecting this particular dog or breed:

Applicant Name:

Current Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Email Address:

Home Phone #:

Work Phone #:

Cell Phone #:

Name and ages of all household members, **including yourself**:

Name	Age	Relationship to Applicant

Occupation of applicant(s):

Do any members of your household have pet-related allergies?

Who will be caring for the pet?

Describe your **current** pets (Name, breed/type, age, sex):

Name	Breed	Age	Sex	How long with family
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**Veterinarian's Name:**

**Veterinarian's Phone Number:**

Are your pets spayed/neutered? \_\_\_Yes / \_\_\_No

If not, what is the reason(s)?

Are your pets up to date on vaccinations and heartworm preventative? \_\_\_Yes / \_\_\_No

If not, when can you have this done?

How many hours will your pet(s) be alone during the day?

Where will the dog be kept during this time?

Is this in a different location from where your current pets are kept?

When I am home, my dog will be kept mainly:

Where will the dog sleep at night?

Have you had any other pets in your adult life? If yes, how long did you own them and what happened to them?

Name	Breed	Age when last with family	Year when last with family	What happened to them

**Previous pet's Veterinarian's Name and Phone Number (if different from current pet):**

Do you have a fenced yard?

What kind of fence material?

Height?

Are any repairs necessary to the fence to keep a small dog from escaping?

How long have you lived at your current address?

Type of Housing (home, condo, aptmt., mobile home, RV, ranch):

I rent  I own  I have other arrangements:

Name of apartment complex or trailer park:

Name of Manager/Landlord:

Manager Contact phone #:

Please explain any restrictions Manager has with pets:

Are you planning on moving in the near future?

If you move, what would you do with your pet?

Do you travel frequently? If so, what do you plan to do with your pet while you're away?

Do you have relatives or friends visit with their pets or children that the dog would be expected to interact with?

Please provide the name of any rescue or animal shelter you have adopted from in the past:

Please provide the name of any rescue or animal shelter you have volunteered with in the past:

How long have you been looking for a pet?

Before seeing the dog that you are applying for, what kind of dog were you looking for and what personality traits were you looking for in a dog?

I am interested in a (check all that apply):

Puppy (0-1 year)  Adult (2-9 years)  Senior (10+ years)

Male  Female

I want a pet because:

What is the activity level of the dog you are looking for?

What do you consider undesirable traits?

What would you do if you saw some of the above listed traits displayed in the dog that you adopted?

How will your dog be confined to your property? Examples: In the house; in a crate or kennel; in a fenced yard; on a chain; in a garage; on a patio; other (please include all that apply):

How much exercise and what type of exercise do you plan to give your dog?

In what manner will you be transporting your pet in your vehicle?

How long do you feel that a dog should be given for an adjustment period?

Who will be responsible for the socialization, medical care, and training of this animal?

Describe your method of housebreaking (even housetrained dogs have accidents in a new environment):

Excluding your death, what circumstances would cause you to give up an animal?

Have you been to dog training classes before?

If the dog you adopted had some training needs, are you able to take them to a professional trainer?

What time period do you require to prepare for your new dog?

What grooming requirements do you feel are necessary for this particular dog?

What brand of food will your dog eat?

On average, how much do you expect to spend annually on this dog? (including heartworm preventative, flea/tick preventative, vetting, toys/treats, grooming, etc.)?

There are times when unexpected and often very expensive medical conditions occur. What will you do if this happens to your pet?

If you are applying for a puppy, please specify your reasons for wanting a puppy versus an older dog:

Would you be willing to allow a representative of the shelter to visit your residence?

How did you find out about our Organization?

Would you consider volunteering for our group in the following areas?

\_\_\_ Fostering a Homeless Dog

\_\_\_ Adoption Day Helper

\_\_\_ Transportation to Vet Appointments

\_\_\_ Home Visits for Potential Adopters

\_\_\_ Interviewing of Adoption Candidates

\_\_\_ Fundraising

Other?

Have you submitted an adoption application with another rescue group? If so, which group(s) and what is the status of your application?

What is the best telephone number to reach you?

Is there a time that is not good to call?

Any additional comments or things we did not ask that you would like us to know?

Thank you for taking the time to answer our questions. If you have any comments regarding this adoption application or our adoption process, please feel free to let us know as we are always looking for ways to improve. Again, thank you for saving a life by considering a rescued pet.

### **Steps After Completing Application**

- Please send your adoption application to [info@smallchancerescue.com](mailto:info@smallchancerescue.com) or P.O. Box 10033, Austin, 78766
- Once we receive your application, a volunteer will contact you to discuss it.
- We will call your Veterinary reference to ensure your pets are spayed/neutered, up to date on their vaccinations and receiving heartworm prevention (for dogs).
- Applicants will be notified if approved/denied. Approved adopters will be contacted by a SCR volunteer to schedule a home visit and to discuss which dog would fit into their home best.

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the information above is truthful and correct.

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Signature

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Date