



## ADOPTION APPLICATION

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

Name and/or description of pet of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

The Empty Shelter Project thanks you for your interest in adopting one of our rescue pets. Please use print to fill out this application to the best of your knowledge.

Please understand that if any of the following apply we will not follow through with the adoption of one of our animals

- If you intend to declaw, crop the ears off, dock the tail off, or have any other cosmetic procedures performed on your pet of interest
- If you currently have any animals in your household that are un-altered
- You intend to use an electric/invisible fence
- If the pet is intended to be given to anyone other than the individual filling out this application
- If the pet is going to be considered an outdoor only pet or is going to be left outside unattended for any length of time
- You are under the age of 21
- You are not prepared for the responsibilities of a new pet
- You cannot provide documentation that pets are accepted at your residence (applies to renters only)

After the pet is placed in your home The Empty Shelter Project still reserves the right to

- Check on the pet at any time to ensure its well-being
- Remove a placed pet at any time if any terms of the adoption contract are violated or if the environment provided is unsafe

We want our rescue pets to find the perfect home and you to find the perfect pet. This is considered an adoption application; it does not ensure the approval for the adoption of a pet.

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first dog or cat?  Yes  No

Where did you hear about the Empty Shelter Project? \_\_\_\_\_

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Adopter1 name: \_\_\_\_\_ Adopter2 name: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

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

If you are employed by the Military and are temporarily stationed here, please state which branch and if possible where your next stationed location will be:

Number of Adults in household: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Do children visit regularly?  Yes  No

Is anyone in the household expecting a child?  Yes  No

Has everyone in the household agreed to adopt a pet?  Yes  No

On a scale of 1-quiet to 5-loud, how loud or hectic is your household? \_\_\_\_\_

Who will be the primary caregiver in the household? \_\_\_\_\_

Who is/will be your veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Type:  Single  Condo  Townhouse  Mobile  Apartment

Do you have a fenced in backyard?  Yes  No How high is the fence? \_\_\_\_\_

Invisible fence?  Yes  No Do you rent or own your home?  Rent  Own

If you rent, please provide the name and phone number of your landlord:

Does your landlord or HOA have pet breed or weight limitations?  Yes  No  N/A

If yes, please specify:

How long have you lived at your current address? \_\_\_\_\_

If less than 2 years, how long did you live at the previous address: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want a dog/cat at this time?

What boundaries are you planning to set for your new pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you understand that if you are not adopting a pet that is fully grown there is no way to know how large or small the animal will be?  Yes  No

Are you primarily looking for an indoor or outdoor pet? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan on transporting your pet to and from locations? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours will your pet be alone during the day? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will your pet be kept while you are away? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will your pet be kept while you are home? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will your pet be kept at nighttime hours? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of exercise will you provide for your pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever given away, sold, or surrendered a pet?  Yes  No

If yes, what were the circumstances?

Please list the pets you currently have below, include if they are altered, current on vaccinations, as well as their breed, age, sex and species.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

What brand food will you feed your pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning on using heartworm and flea and tick treatments?  Yes  No

If yes, what kind?

What method of training/discipline will you use? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you prepared to hire a dog trainer if need be?  Yes  No

Many times even potty trained pets will be stressed and have accidents for a period of time after they are adopted. Are you prepared to deal with accidents in your house?  Yes  No

Where will your pet be kept when you go out of town, on vacations, etc?

What will happen to your pet if you move? \_\_\_\_\_

Under what circumstances would you return this pet to us? \_\_\_\_\_

How many years do you believe you will have this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

How much annually are you planning to spend on your pet? \_\_\_\_\_

How much would you be willing to spend in medical bills in an emergency? \_\_\_\_\_

What would you do if the bills went over this amount? \_\_\_\_\_

What would you do if you were unable to care for this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever been convicted of a felony?  Yes  No

If yes, was it animal related?  Yes  No

Please provide 2 non-family references (name, phone number, email):

1.

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2.

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**CERTIFICATE OF UNDERSTANDING**

I certify that the information above is true and understand that false information will result in nullification and repossession of this adoption. I further understand that should repossession be required I will be held responsible for any and all court costs/attorney's fees and other expenses related to this process. Finally, AND MOST IMPORTANT, by signing both the application and contract I agree that in the event I am unable to keep this adopted pet, **I AGREE TO RETURN HIM/HER TO THE EMPTY SHELTER PROJECT.**

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*Adopter Signature*

Printed Name:

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Date

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Printed Name:

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Date

Are you interested in becoming a foster family for ESP?  Yes  No

Would you like to be added to our email list to receive rescue updates?  Yes  No