

SHIH TZU X PUPPY ADOPTION APPLICATION

Name of Applicant:	Occupation:
Address:	Apartment/Unit number:
City:	Postal Code:
Home Phone Number:	Work Phone Number:
Cell Phone Number:	Email:

Thank you for choosing the adoption option! Guelph Humane Society (GHS) receives multiple requests from generous individuals and families, eagerly awaiting the chance to adopt and provide a loving home to a puppy in need. To give equal opportunity to all interested parties, multiple puppy applications are accepted, and puppy adoptions are not conducted on a first-come-first-serve basis. **Applications should be emailed to adoptions@guelphhumane.ca with the subject line "Shih Tzu Puppy Application" and will be accepted until Wednesday March 20th 2019 at 4:00pm. No late applications will be accepted.** Applications will be reviewed by the adoption team and successful applicants will be contacted to schedule a meet-and-greet with a puppy and adoption meeting, where the puppy's known behavioural and/or medical concerns (if any) will be discussed.

Applicants who do not respond to requests for an adoption meeting in a timely manner (or miss a scheduled adoption meeting) understand that GHS reserves the right to withdraw the applicant from the adoption pool to send the puppy to their new home as soon as possible!

Applicants understand that the GHS, in its sole discretion, will make the final decision regarding the puppy's future home and agree to remain respectful towards the staff and volunteers at GHS while partaking in the process. Regrettably due to lack of resources, GHS is unable to keep individual applicants updated on the status of their application, however all applicants will be notified in if their application is successful or not at the conclusion of the adoption.

Should your application not be selected, we ask you please not to be discouraged and consider our adult dogs- who are in just as much need (if not more) of a loving home! Thank you once again, and we wish you all the best of luck in your application!

Sincerely, The GHS Team!

I have read and understood the adoption process. Applicant signature: _____

1. Please complete the chart for **ALL** human members of the household, **including yourself**:

First and Last Name	Age	Relationship to Applicant
		<i>Self</i>

Who would be the puppy's primary caregiver? _____

2. Please list your current pets residing in your home:

Name	Breed/Species	Age	Sex		Neutered Spayed		Indoor or Outdoor	Where did you get the pet?	Where is the pet now? (please circle)
			M	F	Yes	No			
									still own/deceased other:
									still own/deceased other:
									still own/deceased other:

Are all current pets in the home up-to-date on vaccinations?

Yes

No

Who is your current veterinarian? _____

What pets have you had in the past? _____

3. Have you ever had to rehome a pet? If so, please explain the circumstances: _____

4. Please tell us about your dog or puppy experience/knowledge (personal, work, books, TV shows, etc.):

5. How long (on average) do you plan on leaving your puppy alone (hours)? _____

What is the plan for the puppy during that time? _____

6. What would the average day look like for your puppy (wake up time, exercise, nap time, etc.?)

7. What breed traits do you anticipate your puppy may display as they grow older?

8. What breed-specific medical conditions are you aware of? Are you financially and emotionally prepared in case these medical conditions should arise? _____

9. What veterinary care are you willing to pay for throughout your dogs' life (e.g., vaccinations, surgeries, medications, etc.)? _____

10. How soon after adoption would you plan to take your puppy to the vet? _____

11. What behaviours would make you NOT adopt this puppy? _____

12. Do you plan to take your puppy to training classes? Yes No Maybe

13. Have you taken a puppy/dog to training classes in the past? Yes No

Name of Trainer/School: _____

14. Do you plan to use treats when training your puppy? No Yes Maybe

15. Please explain how you would handle the following situations/examples:

a) Your puppy growls when you try to take a toy from him/her: _____

b) Your puppy pees or poops in the home: _____

c) Your puppy chews on shoes or furniture: _____

d) Your puppy mouths/nibbles/bites your arm: _____

e) Your puppy barks and lunges at another dog while walking on a leash: _____

f) Children/strangers are playing with the puppy, and the puppy gets up and walks away: _____

16. Do you plan on having your puppy (future dog) professionally groomed? If so, how often? _____

17.. Do you have a preference on the gender of your puppy? Male Female

Would you be open to adopting a puppy of the opposite gender? Yes No

Thank you once again for your support- we will be in contact soon!