

Expression of Interest: Dog Form

Thank you for your interest in giving a pet in need a loving home! Please note that due to COVID-19, the Guelph Humane Society is currently closed to members of the public. Adoptions will be conducted virtually using phone meetings and videoconferencing (e.g., ZOOM). Regrettably, due to space limitations we will not be able to invite adopters into the shelter to meet pets prior to adoption.

To be considered as a potential adopter, an Expression of Interest (EOI) form must be completed and submitted. The EOI form will allow the GHS team a chance to get to know your home, your lifestyle, and determine if the pet you have expressed interest in adopting may be a good fit. As EOIs are accepted 24 hours a day 7 days a week, adopters understand that multiple applications may be submitted for a single animal and that submission of an EOI does not guarantee adoption of a specific pet. If this pet doesn't work out, we will do our best to try to match you with another amazing pet. If you should be successful in your application, most dogs are able to go home within a week of completing our adoption process! As our goal is to have pets go to their new home as soon as possible, regrettably we are unable to hold dogs for extended periods of time.

Please email completed forms and any questions regarding the adoption procedure to adoptions@guelphhumane.ca. We sincerely thank you for your continued support during this time, and hope that you and your family stay safe. Sincerely- The GHS Family.

I have read the above and understand the adoption procedure (check):

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| Name of Dog you're interested in Adopting: | Animal ID (if known, usually found on GHS Website): |
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| Date Form Received: |
| Date/Time of Dog Introduction: |
| Date/Time of Adoption Meeting: |
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ADOPTER INFORMATION

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| Full Name: | Occupation: |
| Address: | Unit #: |
| City: | Postal Code |
| Primary Contact #: | Secondary Contact #: |
| Email Address: | |

1. Please indicate all human members of the household, including yourself:

| First and Last Name | Age | Relationship to Applicant |
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| | | <i>Self</i> |
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Is everyone in the household aware that you have completed this form to adopt a dog? Yes No

2. Please list pets you've had in the last 5 years (from most current to previous):

| Name | Species & Breed | Age | Sex | Neutered? Spayed? | | Declawed | | Indoor or Outdoor | | | Where did you get the pet? | Current or Previous Pet? |
|------|-----------------|-----|-----|----------------------|-----|----------|-----|----------------------|-----|------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | | Yes | No | Yes | No | In | Out | Both | | |
| | | | M | F | Yes | No | Yes | No | In | Out | Both | Current Previous |
| | | | M | F | Yes | No | Yes | No | In | Out | Both | Current Previous |
| | | | M | F | Yes | No | Yes | No | In | Out | Both | Current Previous |
| | | | M | F | Yes | No | Yes | No | In | Out | Both | Current Previous |

Are all animals in the home up to date on vaccinations (if applicable)? Yes No

Describe the pets you've had in the past:

Have you ever had to rehome a pet? If so, please explain the situation:

3. My dog would need to get along with (check all that apply):

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| Children < 2 years old | | Frequent Visitors/Strangers | | Cats | |
| Children 2-8 years old | | Seniors | | Small Animals | |
| Children >8 years old | | Other Dogs | | Other: | |

4. In what type of dwelling do you live (e.g., apartment, townhouse, house?): _____

5. Do you have a fenced-in backyard? Yes No

6. Please elaborate how you plan to exercise your new dog: _____

7. On average, how long will your dog be left alone each day (e.g., hours)?: _____

8. Have you previously had a pet with "special needs"? Please elaborate:

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| Yes- Medical | | Yes- Behavioural | |
| Yes- Both | | No | |

9. Are you interested in adopting a dog with "special needs" Yes No Maybe

10. Do you plan to take your new dog to training classes? Yes No

11. Have you taken a dog to training classes in the past? Yes No

If yes- with what trainer, how long ago? _____

12. Do you plan to use treats while training your dog? Yes No Maybe

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

a. Your dog growls when you try to take food away from him/her: _____

b. Your dog barks/lunges at another dog while being walked on leash: _____

c. Your dog growls at a visitor to your home: _____

d. Your dog growls when being touched on their feet, or another part of their body: _____

14. What will the average day look like for your dog (e.g., wake up time, exercise routine, etc.): _____

15. Do you have a veterinarian in mind for your new pet? _____

16. From your research, what traits are you expecting your dog to exhibit, based on the breed and what you've read online? _____

Thank you for your patience during this uncertain time. The GHS team will review applications as they are received and start slowly reaching out to candidates with additional information on the adoption process. In the interim, we wish you and your family the best, and hope that you stay safe!