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## Pet Adoption Request

Pet Requesting: \_\_\_\_\_  Cat  Dog      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Adopting a cat or dog may be a more involved process than you expected. You cannot have immediate access to the animal you are interested in. Everything we do is in the best interest of the animal in our care and is aimed at giving them the best possible chance of finding a permanent home. It is important you understand two things:

1. **The process is the same for everyone.**
2. **It is not our intention to frustrate you.**

After completing this adoption application, there is a waiting period which allows us the necessary time to check your references/landlord approval, and review application.

**The Brooks Animal Protection Society reserves the right to refuse any adoption which it feels is not in the animal's best interest.** It is stressful and upsetting for the animals, our staff, and you when adoptions do not work out and the pets have to come back to us. So bear with us, be patient and understand that this process is the best policy...for all of us!

In order to be considered for an adoption you must:

1. Be 18 years or older
2. Have a valid ID with current address

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical and/or Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

How long at current address: \_\_\_\_\_ House Apartment Townhouse With parents Other

Do you: Own Rent/Board

Are you: Student Working Retired Other \_\_\_\_\_

Landlord's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

Household members: \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children Ages of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Are all household members aware and consent to the adoption? Yes No

Please describe in detail the personality and basic requirements of the animal you are looking for:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Who will be responsible for feeding and training your pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Is anyone in your house allergic to pets? Yes No

Why are you getting a pet? Companion for a Child Hunting Other \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever owned a pet? Yes No How many pets in the last 5 years? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had to re-home or surrender a pet to a shelter? Yes No

Please list the animals currently in your home and tell us a little about their personalities:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female Altered/Unaltered  
Personality: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female Altered/Unaltered  
Personality: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female Altered/Unaltered  
Personality: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female Altered/Unaltered  
Personality: \_\_\_\_\_

What happened to the pets you no longer have? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_

Are/Were your pet's vaccinations current?  Yes  No Are/Were your pets licensed?  Yes  No

Are you prepared for the expense of owning a pet? (average \$1500.00/year for dogs and \$1000.00/year for cats this includes Veterinary Care, Annual License, Food, Leashes, Toys etc.)  Yes  No

Are you willing to accept the financial responsibility of unexpected/required medical expenses?  Yes  No

Are you prepared to allow an adjustment period of at least one month?  Yes  No

If you have other pets will they adjust to a new one?  Yes  No

Are you aware of the existing licensing/pet bylaws in your community?  Yes  No

What is your current occupation? \_\_\_\_\_ Does it require extensive travel?  Yes  No

Will someone be home during the day with your pet?  Yes  No

Where will your pet be kept during the day? \_\_\_\_\_ At night? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours a day will the pet be alone? \_\_\_\_\_ Where will the pet be kept while alone? \_\_\_\_\_

Who will watch the pet when you are away on vacation? \_\_\_\_\_

How active do you want your pet to be?  High energy/Active  Medium energy  Low energy

How much grooming are you prepared to do?  Very little  Reasonable  Demanding  Very High Maintenance

How will you handle behavior problems such as: chewing, climbing, scratching furniture, excessive barking?

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\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If the animal you chose to adopt is unavailable or not the right fit for you or your family, are you open to suggestions from Shelter Staff for a different pet?  Yes  No

**FOR DOG ADOPTERS ONLY**

Why have you chosen this particular dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a fully fenced yard? Yes No How tall is your fence? \_\_\_\_\_ What is your fence made of? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there times when the dog will be tied up? Yes No

Do you have a dog house? Yes No

Where will the dog be when in a vehicle with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you consider obedience classes for this dog? Yes No

How much time a day will you spend exercising your dog? \_\_\_\_\_ Type of exercise? \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR CAT ADOPTERS ONLY**

Why have you chosen this particular cat? \_\_\_\_\_

Under what circumstance would you de-claw your cat? \_\_\_\_\_

How will you keep your cat active? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to let your cat go outside? Yes No

Do you have screens on all your windows? Yes No

Please Provide 3 References (only one being a relative):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

In signing below, I certify that the information I have given is true and complete and that any misrepresentation of facts may result in losing the privilege of adopting a pet. I understand that Brooks Animal Protection Society has the right to deny my request to adopt an animal, and I authorize investigation of all statements in this application. I agree to provide the pet with adequate food, water, shelter, safety, affection and medical care. I understand that BAPS can phone or visit me to see how the pet is progressing. If for any reason this pet does not work out in my home, I agree not to release it to anyone, but will return it to BAPS. The adopter will receive a refund (minus a \$25.00 administration fee) if the pet is returned within 30 days. The personal information collected by The Brooks Animal Protection Society will not be disclosed to any other organizations or individuals unless authorized by law or by consent of the individual.

**Applicant's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_