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Dog Adoption Application

Please return application to asprspca@bigpond.com or in person at the shelter

These questions are aimed at making sure you realise the extra responsibilities that come with owning a dog, to help you determine what type of dog you are looking for, and to assist us in finding the right dog for you. For example, if the dog you are seeking is to be a 24 hour inside dog then an outside active dog would not be appropriate.

Name:	
Address:	
Suburb:	Postcode:
Home phone:	Work phone:
Mobile:	Email:
Number of people living at premises Adults?	Children? Ages:
DOB: / / please produce your license or other identification upon request You MUST be over 18 years of age to be eligible to adopt a canine companion	

1. Is there a particular dog/s you saw at the shelter or on our website site that you would like to apply for?

Please name it: ID: _____ **Name:** _____

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Or a particular breed? _____

2. Is this the first dog you have looked at in your current search for a pet? Y N

3. Are you prepared to brush/groom your pet regularly? Y N

4. What sort of residence do you have? House Unit Acreage

5. Does everyone in the household agree to adopting a dog? Yes No

6. How will you keep your new dog secure and safe?

Yard run chain other _____

7. Is your yard securely fenced? Yes No

8. Describe type of fencing (wooden, colourbond, wire etc) and height at the lowest point:

9. What size is your yard? Small Moderate Large

10. If you have a swimming pool is it separately fenced? Yes No

11. If no-one is at home, where will the dog stay? Inside or Outside?

12. If the dog is outside, what type of shelter will the dog have?

- 13.** If you are renting do you have written permission from your landlord to have a dog? Please provide us with your landlords letter or name and phone number for confirmation that a dog is permitted: Landlord/Agents Name: _____
Landlord/Agents Contact Number: _____
- 14.** Will the dog be allowed inside? How often?
 never in evening when somebody home all the time/dog door
- 15.** Where will your new dog sleep? Please be specific
 kennel verandah laundry Other _____
- 16.** Will your new dog be with very young or very elderly people? Yes No
- 17.** Does anyone in your home suffer with Asthma or allergies? Yes No
- 18.** How many hours will the dog be without human company for each day? _____
- 19.** Are you planning a trip in the short term? Yes No
- 20.** How often do you travel? _____
- 21.** What will you do with the dog when you travel?
 Leave at home with food boarding kennel pet-sitter haven't thought about it
- 22.** Are you aware that all dogs over the age of 5 months must be registered with the Alice Springs Town Council or your local Shire Council? Yes No
- 23.** Are you willing to take the time to housetrain a dog and do you understand that changing a dog's environment may cause the dog to have accidents? Yes No
- 24.** If a behavioral problem arises, what steps will you take to work on it?

- 25.** Who will be responsible for feeding and taking the dog outside?

- 26.** How often will you have time to walk the dog? _____
- 27.** What days of week would you walk the dog? _____
- 28.** For how long would you walk the dog? _____
- 29.** Does this include off leash exercise / play? Yes No
- 30.** Who will take care of the dog in the absence of the primary caretaker? _____
- 31.** Will you take obedience training? Yes No
- 32.** Realising that dogs often live 12 years or older, are you willing to take responsibility for your pet's entire life, keeping up to date with vaccinations and worming treatments? Yes No
- 33.** Under what circumstance would you give up this pet?
 family illness barking digging shedding biting growling
 allergic to new dog destructive chewing moving house bored
 reactive on lead lack of housetraining high cost vet bills
- 34.** Have you ever owned a dog before? Yes No
- 35.** Do you currently have any pets?
 Please give breed, size, sex, age and whether your it is desexed.
 Breed: _____ Sex: F M Age: _____ Desexed: Yes No
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- 36.** Are you current pet/s appropriately vaccinated? Yes No

37. Have you had any pets in the past? What happened to them? Have you ever taken an animal to a shelter or released it to another party? Please explain:

38. What will be your dog's main role?

watchdog companion for: yourself other pet for children

Do you have any concerns about owning a dog? Yes No If yes, please give details:

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about you, your family or your interest in adopting a dog? The more information you provide, the better we will be able to determine suitability of your chosen dog(s).

By submitting this application, I agree that all the information I have provided is correct. Providing untruthful answers or failure to comply with the requirements of this application or the signed adoption contract can result in the forfeiture of the adoption.

You agree to allow us to check the references provided. We will require the successful applicant to sign an adoption agreement and allow a property check if requested before adoption.

We may also ask to sight your driver's license before the application proceeds.

We appreciate you taking the time to complete this application. Upon review and approval, we will contact you as soon as possible.

We appreciate that it is a long application to complete if the application is unsuccessful. We hope by completing it you have found out more about your requirements for a dog.

We reserve the right to refuse any applicant and will not enter into any further correspondence on our decision.

Signed: _____

Date: _____/_____/_____