

PAWS is dedicated to helping animals; this includes placing unwanted pets in caring, responsible homes. This questionnaire has been designed to help us determine whether an adoption is in the best interests of both pet and adopter.

PAWS QUESTIONNAIRE FOR DOG ADOPTION

SECTION I

Name _____ Phone (H) _____ (W) _____

Address _____

Are you employed _____ Student _____ Retired _____ Other _____

Type of residence: House _____ Own _____ Rent _____ Apartment _____ Mobile Home _____

If you rent, does landlord allow pets? Yes _____ No _____

Landlord's name _____ Phone _____

(will be verified by Paws representative)

Do you plan to move in the near future? Yes _____ No _____

Are other family members aware you plan to adopt a pet? Yes _____ No _____

SECTION II

1. Reason for adoption: Companionship _____ Hunter _____ 4-H _____ Watch/Guard _____ Pet Companion _____
Gift _____ (If gift, give name of and relationship to recipient) _____

2. Number of adults in household _____ number of children at home _____ ages of children _____

3. Do you have pets now? Yes _____ No _____ How Many -- Dogs _____ Cats _____ Other _____

4. If you have pets, how many are spayed or neutered? _____ Current on shots? _____

5. What kinds of pets have you had in the past? _____

6. What happened to your last pet? _____

7. Have you ever lost a pet due to: Poisoned _____ Hit by Car _____ Disease _____ Strayed/Stolen _____ Old Age _____

8. Have you ever had to give up a pet? Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, why? _____

9. Have you ever been refused by a humane organization for an adoption? Yes _____ No _____

If Yes, when? _____

What organization? _____

What was the reason? _____

10. If you move in the future, will you be able to keep your pet(s)? Yes _____ No _____

11. Are you aware of and prepared to meet the first year's cost of regular preventive veterinary care (\$100 to \$200) and food, supplies, training (\$50 to \$150)? Yes _____ No _____

12. Is anyone in your family allergic to animals? Yes _____ No _____

13. Who is your present vet? _____

14. What times would be best for a Paws representative to call or visit? _____

SECTION III

1. Will your pet live indoors ____ outside ____ if outside, how will it be confined? _____

What kind of shelter do you have? _____

How do you plan to housetrain? _____

2. Do you feel willing and able to work with your pet and correct problem behavior if it should develop (barking, fence jumping, digging, chewing, etc)? Yes _____ No _____

What are your ideas for dealing with such behavior? _____
(not all problem behavior can be corrected, but most can be with patience, perseverance, and expert help if needed.)

3. Who will be responsible for your new pet's care? _____

4. About how many hours a day will your pet be alone? _____ Days a week _____

5. Where will it be kept when left alone? _____

6. What type of I.D. do you plan to have for your pet? _____

7. Both Paws adoption policy and Iowa law (for pets from pounds and shelters) require that adopted animals be spayed or neutered. Do you agree with this? Yes _____ No _____

8. Are you prepared to give your new pet plenty of time (at least two weeks in most cases -- possibly more if you have other pets) to adjust to its new home? Yes _____ No _____

9. Would you consider adopting two dogs for companionship -- especially if there is often no one home? Yes _____ No _____

I certify that the information I have given is true and authorize investigation of all statements made above. I understand that PAWS has the right to refuse any request for adoption. I also give permission to share information about me that may be obtained during interviews, reference checks, etc., with other humane organizations.

ADOPTER

DATE

NOTES/FURTHER COMMENT