

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION

Use Microsoft Word to complete this form. Save and print the completed application. Applicant and all adult members of the household sign the appropriate places on page 4. The signed application can then be scanned and emailed to info@houlagansrest.com or faxed to Houlagans' Rest 804-276-8013. The fax machine is unmanned weekends.

If you do not want to use a computer to complete the form, download the PDF version and print the application. The PDF version is designed to be completed manually or for use on a manual typewriter.

HOULAGANS' REST Adoption Application

Houlagans' Rest is committed to finding permanent, responsible, loving homes for all our animals. Please fill out the application in detail. Once completed, one of us will discuss it with you. The process of adoption includes the application, the interview, and the approval. Please be aware that the interview process will not be done today. Depending on time, call back should be made by mid-week for completed adoptions. Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Please initial

Date

How did you hear about us?

Adopter Information

Name _____ SS# Last 4 digits _____
Address (No Post Office Box Number) _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ How long at this address? _____
Home phone _____ Work phone _____ Cell phone: _____
Email address _____
Would you agree to a home visit? Yes No
Occupation(s) _____ work location _____ work hours: _____
Do you anticipate any major lifestyle changes in the next two years? (moving, marriage, school, new baby)
 Yes No Explain _____
Are you over 21? Yes No
Are you a student? Yes No School hours _____
Does anyone in household have allergies? Yes No Explain _____
Do all of the adults in your household know that you are planning to adopt a dog? Yes No
Number of adults in household including you _____
Names of adults other than your own _____
How many persons under age 21 live in your residence? _____
What are their ages? _____
If you have no children at the present time, will the arrival of children as members of your household affect your commitment to love and care for your pet? Yes No Don't know
Are you: Single Married In committed relationship Engaged
If you are Single:
Do you live alone? Yes No If no, live with family? Yes No
Roommates Yes No
If you are Married/in a Committed Relationship:
Do you both work? Yes No If yes, spouse's/partner's work hrs _____
Who will be responsible for the pet? _____

Residence Information

Do you: own rent
Type of residence: house condo townhouse apartment mobile home
How many floors are in your residence? _____ What floor do you live on? _____
What style is you residence? (ranch, split level, etc.) _____
Fenced yard: Yes No Type of fence: _____ height: _____ area _____ dog pen? Yes No
If you do not have a fence, are you considering getting one? Yes No If yes, what kind? _____
Do you have a dog house? Yes No
How will the dog get exercise? _____
If you rent:
Landlord's name and phone number: _____
List any restrictions on pets where you live (type, breed, number, size) _____

Pet Information

Name of dog you are interested in:

What attracted you to this dog?

Why is this a good time for you to adopt a pet?

Mark type of pet you are looking for: puppy young dog adult dog

Who is the pet for? self children gift (for whom?)

What size adult dog are you looking for? lbs.

What characteristics are you looking for in a pet? Check all that apply:

- housebroken laid-back indoor dog good with children
- obedience trained energetic outdoor dog good with adults
- non-chewer playful good with other dogs
- good guard dog likes to run good with cats

Other:

What role will your dog fill in your household? Check all that apply:

- family pet for children companion for other pet protection
- to breed hunting dog guard dog for business other:

List all pets and their names you currently have:

Dog/cat/other	pet's name	M/F	sterilized (yes/no)	age	how long owned	Vet and phone number

Are current pets housed (please marke appropriate answer) inside or outside?

List all pets and their names owned in the last five years:

Dog/cat/other	pet's name	M/F	sterilized (yes/no)	age	how long owned	Vet and phone number

Have you adopted from US in the past? Yes No If yes, when?

Have you adopted from another rescue group or shelter in the past? Yes No

If yes, name of group or shelter: When? If yes, where is pet now?

Have you ever surrendered, or are you planning to surrender a pet to any shelter/organization?

Yes No

Have you ever had a pet die of a contagious disease or unknown cause? Yes No Explain:

How might your current pet(s) react to the new dog?

How would you handle any problems?

Where will your new dog be housed: (please circle appropriate answer)

During the Day: inside outside Where:

At night: inside outside where:

Where specifically will the dog sleep?

How many hours daily typically will the dog be home alone?

Daily time commitment to dog: hours

If your new dog is not housebroken, what is your plan for housebreaking?

crating paper training other (where)

Where will your pet stay when you go on vacation?

Pet Care and Training

List name and phone number of your current **veterinarian/animal hospital** or the veterinarian that you will use to care for this dog:

Are you considering professional training? Yes No If yes, with whom?

What kinds of behavior do you find unacceptable?

How would you handle the situation if your new dog exhibits these behaviors?

What form of discipline would you use?

Would you seek professional assistance to solve these problems? Yes No Maybe

References

Please list the names, phone numbers (cell phone # if possible), and relationships of two references:

Name(s) Phone No(s) Relationship

By signing below, I certify that all information in this three-page application is true, and I recognize that any misrepresentation of facts may result in loss of adoption privileges. I authorize investigation of all statements in this application and understand that veterinarians, humane societies, landlord, and references may be contacted. I further understand that the adoption of an animal may be delayed to enable us to process this application and allow time for me to consider my lifetime commitment to the animal I have applied to adopt.

WE reserve the right to deny an adoption to anyone who, in its opinion, will not provide a suitable home for the pet based upon this application and investigation of the information authorized.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Animal Cruelty Statement:

I, _____, do hereby solemnly swear and affirm as follows:

1. I have never been convicted of animal cruelty, neglect, or abandonment, pursuant to VA Code & 3.1-796.96:5 (B) and (C);
2. I will provide YOU with any and all updates to the Animal Cruelty Statement as changes occur.

Signature of all adult members of household:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Complete the application, save, print, and sign by all in the appropriate places above. Handwritten signatures are required for a valid application.