

# ADOPTION APPLICATION

## Edgewater Animal Shelter

Thank you for considering Edgewater Animal Shelter as a resource for your future pet. We do require adopters to be 21 years old or older and may require a home check and/or a veterinarian reference. By answering these questions, our staff or adoption counselors will guide us both towards making the best decision possible. The ultimate goal here at Edgewater Animal Shelter is to find loving permanent homes for the animals sheltered with us. We believe a pet should be a LIFETIME COMMITMENT; a match made with great care.

Please take this "Perfect Timing" survey to help us match you with the right pet.

Circle yes or no for each question:

I think pets should be kept outside for all or most of the time.	YES	NO
I want a pet to help teach my child responsibility.	YES	NO
A pet would be a terrific gift for someone I know.	YES	NO
Everyone in my family thinks that adopting a pet now is a good idea.	YES	NO
Myself or some of my family members have allergies.	YES	NO
My job requires long hours away from home.	YES	NO
I travel often.	YES	NO
A new baby has been/will soon be added to my family.	YES	NO
Someone in my family is sick.	YES	NO
I might be changing jobs soon.	YES	NO
I will be moving soon.	YES	NO
Money is tighter than I would like at this time.	YES	NO

**Now, we want to know about you!! Please provide us with your Drivers License.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Main Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Dr License: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you rent or own your home? \_\_\_\_\_

If you rent, what is your Landlord's name and phone number? \_\_\_\_\_

How many years \_\_\_\_\_ and months \_\_\_\_\_ have you lived there?

Are you aware of your landlord's policies on pets? YES NO

\*\*if you are applying to adopt a pit-bull or pit-bull mix from us and you RENT your home, we will need a letter of breed approval from your current landlord stating that you are allowed to have a pit-bull breed dog in your home. This is a precaution we take for the pet's future.\*\*

Where do you work? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Who may we contact for a personal reference? \_\_\_\_\_

How many people live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any children in your home? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what are their ages? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want a new pet? Please circle.

\*For myself \* For my children \*for my family \*As a gift \*As a hunting dog \*As a guard dog

Are you interested in a dog or cat? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the name of the animal you would like to adopt? \_\_\_\_\_

**Now, we want to know about your pets!!**

Do you have any other pets? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, how many? Dogs: \_\_\_\_\_ Cats: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your other pet's breeds and ages: \_\_\_\_\_

What veterinary clinic do you take your pets to? \_\_\_\_\_

What is their phone number? \_\_\_\_\_

Are your pets up to date on vaccines? \_\_\_\_\_

Are your pets on flea, tick, and/or heartworm prevention? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, what type? \_\_\_\_\_

If the answer is no, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan on keeping this new pet up to date on vaccines, yearly veterinary visits,  
heartworm and flea prevention? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

Why have you selected this new pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Why should we consider you for adoption? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours a day will your new pet be alone?

4hrs or less per day    5-8hrs per day    More than 12hrs per day.

When you're not home, where will your pet spend his/her time?

\*In a crate inside the house    \*In the yard    \*Garage    \*Chained outdoors    \*Enclosed porch

\*Free roam of house    \*Outside dog house    \*Covered patio    \*Confined to a specific area in the house

\*Other \_\_\_\_\_

My yard is:

\*Not fenced in    \*Fenced on all sides    \*Partially fenced    \*Other \_\_\_\_\_

My new pet will live( please circle): indoors only    outdoors only    indoors and outdoors

## IMPORTANT THINGS TO READ AND UNDERSTAND

PLEASE NOTE: Many apartment complexes, home rentals, mobile home parks, condo associations, and insurance companies place restrictions on the number, size, and breed of pets that can live with you. In addition, these same organizations may require a pet deposit. We strongly suggest you check with these organizations before signing this application.

**The Edgewater Animal Shelter reserves the right to refuse ANY adoption which it determines not to be in the best interest of the pet. By signing this, you are telling us you have read and understand the information on this questionnaire, all of the information is true, and you understand any false information could result in the forfeiture of this animal.**

The Edgewater Animal Shelter reserves the right to perform house checks and follow-up visits on the adopted pet(s) at any time that is convenient to them, with or without warning to you, the owner.

The Edgewater Animal Shelter reserves the right to repossess the pet if there is any evidence it is not well cared for or is living in dangerous circumstances at their discretion.

The Edgewater Animal Shelter reserves the right to conduct a background check on all adopters. There may be a 24 hold on the adoption until the background check is completed and the application is approved.

Please know that you accept the pet “as is” and you assume all risks of ownership, including all financial obligations. Should you no longer be able to care for the adopted pet, Edgewater Animal Shelter strongly encourages you to return the pet to Edgewater Animal Shelter or to the shelter that provides coverage for your living area.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Shelter staff signature: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

### For Office Use Only:

Animal ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male/Female Spayed/Neutered  
Adoption Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_ (reason) \_\_\_\_\_  
Staff Member Name/Date: \_\_\_\_\_