

WELCOME TO KEOKUK ANIMAL SERVICES

DOG ADOPTION APPLICATION FORM

As the city department for the prevention of cruelty to animals, the Keokuk Animal Services has assumed responsibility for the welfare of every animal that enters its facility.

Our purpose is to place an animal in a responsible home where it will receive veterinary care when needed, and where it will be controlled so as not to become a free roaming animal, or add to the surplus of animals already in the community.

To insure these ends, we have formulated this application form to assist our staff in the careful selection of home placement for our animals available for adoption. Only those persons who are adults of legal age and who complete a satisfactory application will be eligible to adopt pets from the facility. **WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY ADOPTION.**

SECTION I

DATE _____

Our adoption procedure is not a first come first served basis. In order to be considered for an adoption today you must: (1) Be 18 years of age. (2) Have the knowledge and consent of all adults living in your household. (3) Have a valid ID with current address. (4) Have landowner's name and phone number. (5) Understand that Keokuk Animal Services must approve your application.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work or Cell Phone _____

Are you 18 years or older? _____

Do you live in a: House _____ Apartment _____ Condo _____ Dorm _____ With Parents _____

I rent _____ I own _____ Mobile Home _____ Farm _____

Landowner's Name _____ Landowner's Phone _____

Landowner's address _____

Have you ever adopted a pet from Keokuk Animal Services before? _____

Have you ever been refused adoption of a pet from Keokuk Animal Services or any other shelter? _____

If yes, please explain. _____

SECTION II

Please provide the following information about your household:

Number of adults _____ Number of Children _____ Ages of children _____

1. Which member of your family will hold primary responsibility for the
 FEEDING OF YOUR NEW PET _____ TRAINING _____

2. Please tell us why you would like to adopt an animal from us. Check all that apply: companion _____
 to breed _____ for a child _____ companion for another pet _____ as a watchdog _____

3. What type(s) of pets do you own or have you owned during the past 5 years?

NAME/TYPE/BREED OF ANIMAL	KEPT WHERE	SEX	AGE	SPAYED/ NEUTERED	STILL OWN	IF NO, WHY NOT & DATE LAST OWNED
				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

4. If you have pets now or had them in the past, who is (was) your veterinarian?

Veterinarian's Phone _____

5. What vaccinations has your pet had in the past year? _____
6. When was your pet's last visit to the veterinarian? _____ Reason? _____
7. If you move in the future, what will you do with your pet(s)? _____
8. (a) Are you aware that regular yearly preventative medical attention may cost several hundred dollars for a dog or cat and even more for a puppy or kitten? _____
 (b) Are you aware that in the first year food, pet supplies, and obedience training may cost several hundred dollars for either a dog or cat? _____
9. Do any members of your household have allergies? Yes _____ No _____
 What kinds? _____
10. What times would be convenient for a representative of Keokuk Animal Services to come to your home to check on the animal's well-being? _____

SECTION III

1. Do you have a fenced yard? Yes _____ No _____ If fenced please describe the height and type _____
 Plan to fence? _____
2. How many times a day do you plan to take your dog outside? _____
3. Do animals need shelter? _____ Shelter is defined as an insulated and bedded structure to allow pets to stay warm in winter and cool in summer and to be able to stand up, stretch out and lie down comfortably.
4. Do you intend to use a chain, rope or cable as the SOLE means of confining this pet? _____
5. Do you understand that state laws and local ordinances require vaccinating, leashing and licensing dogs? _____
 Have you ever been involved with an Animal Control Department? Yes _____ No _____
 If yes, what were the circumstances? _____
6. How do you plan to housetrain? _____
7. How do you plan to prevent/correct behavioral problems such as:
 Barking _____
 Fence Jumping _____
 Chewing _____
 Digging _____
 Aggressive behavior _____
8. Do you plan to take your dog to training classes? Yes _____ No _____
 If yes, what type? _____
9. This pet will be alone (without human companionship) for about _____ hours per day and _____ per week.
10. Where will the dog be kept during: the day _____ at night _____
11. Where will the dog be kept when left alone? _____
12. What type of identification do you plan to place on your dog? _____
13. Do you feel that female pets should be spayed? _____
14. Do you feel that male pets should be neutered? _____
15. Do you plan to let your pet have puppies? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, why? _____
16. Do you understand that pet overpopulation is a serious problem? _____
17. It may take your pet two weeks or longer if other pets are involved, to adjust to its new home. Are you prepared to allow this much time to adjust? Yes _____ No _____
18. How did you learn about Keokuk Animal Services? Daily Gate City _____ Friend _____
 Veterinarian _____ Other _____

3 Non-Relative References

Name _____	Phone No. _____	Best time to call _____
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SECTION IV

By signing below, I certify that the information I have given is true and that I recognize that any misrepresentation of facts may result in my losing the privilege of adopting or keeping an adopted pet. I understand that Keokuk Animal Service has the right to deny my request to adopt an animal, and I authorize investigation of all statements in this application. I understand that this application is the property of Keokuk Animal Services.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please understand that there are specific policies on holding animals.