

The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County

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DOG ADOPTION APPLICATION

Name of Dog: _____ ID# _____ Date: _____

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM AS ACCURATELY AND COMPLETELY AS POSSIBLE

Name: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____

Mailing Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

e-mail: _____ Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

1. Do you **RENT** or **OWN** your home? _____ If you rent, we must have permission from the property owner stating that you have permission to have this dog at your residence. Please provide the name and phone number of your landlord: _____
2. Why do you want this dog? _____
3. Have you owned a dog before? **YES NO**
4. Where will the dog be staying? **Indoors Outdoors Both**
5. Describe how the dog will be confined on your property. _____
6. Where will the dog sleep at night? _____
7. How many hours will the dog be left alone at your home (approximately)? _____
8. Do all members of the household want this dog? **YES NO**
9. Who will be the primary caregiver? _____
10. Will you keep the dog on heartworm and flea/tick prevention? **YES NO**
11. Do you plan to take this dog to any training classes? _____ The Humane Society strongly recommends that you attend training classes with your new dog.
12. Will you provide needed medical treatment and vaccinations for the dog? **YES NO**
13. How many adults _____ and children _____ live in your home? Do other children visit often? _____
14. How many animals do you currently have? Dogs ___ Cats ___ Other _____
15. Have you ever had to give up an animal? **YES NO** If so, why and where did it go? _____
16. If you cannot keep this dog you are required to contact The Humane Society before rehoming. **Initial here** _____
17. Adopting a dog is a great responsibility. You may be sharing your life with this dog for 10 to 15 years. Dogs are totally dependent on their humans for companionship, exercise, training, food, water, shelter, and veterinary care. This involves a physical and financial commitment.

Are you willing to make this lifelong commitment? **YES NO**

I certify that the above information is true and correct. I understand that false information may void this application. I hereby accept possession and title of this dog "**AS IS**" at my own risk and hereby release and wave any rights against The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County which I may have now or in the future for any damages to persons or property caused by this dog.

Adopter's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

HSIMC Rep: _____

Scanned for Chip _____

Check Vaccine List _____

Current on Rabies _____
with Certification

Heartworm Negative _____

Paid by: CASH___ CHECK___ CREDIT CARD___ AMOUNT \$___

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Dog Adoption Contract

As the adopting party, I agree to the following provisions:

1. I agree to obtain all necessary licenses required by local authorities for this dog.
2. I agree to provide all necessary treatments at the intervals advised by my veterinarian for this dog. I further agree to obtain prompt veterinary care for this dog in the event it becomes sick or injured. I will not allow this dog to suffer unnecessarily.
3. I agree to have this dog under my control when it is not confined to my property. A secured fenced area (radio fences are not acceptable) with shelter from the elements, will be provided for the dog. **THE DOG WILL NOT BE TIED OR CHAINED.**
4. If for any reason I cannot keep this dog after the adoption is final, I will notify the Humane Society. I will find a suitable home for the dog. I understand that if the Humane Society can take the dog back after the adoption is final, there will be no refund and a surrender fee may be required.
5. I agree not to abuse or neglect this dog. I authorize the Humane Society at their sole discretion to determine whether the dog has been abused or neglected.
6. I will provide appropriate and adequate training, socialization, and exercise for this dog. If behavior problems develop, I will seek the guidance to correct the problem.
7. I understand that any failure to perform the foregoing agreement will constitute a breach of contract, and that if there is any breach of contract I authorize the Humane Society to reclaim both possession and ownership of the dog at no cost.
8. I understand that the dog covered by these adoption papers is, as far as can be determined by The Humane Society, is in good health. The Humane Society will not be responsible for any medical cost after the adoption is final. I understand that I will be informed by the Humane Society prior to the adoption of any known past or present medical or behavioral conditions and accept the dog "AS IS."
9. I agree to give the Humane Society visitation rights to ensure that the terms of this adoption agreement are being observed.
10. I understand that I have **SEVEN** day in which to take advantage of The Well Pet Exam (if applicable).
11. I understand that I have **SEVEN** days to return this dog for any reason and will be provided with a refund within ten days.

Adopter's Signature: _____ Date: _____
HSIMC Rep: _____

Disclaimer

The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County tries its best to have healthy animals available for adoption, however, due to being in a shelter environment many of the animals we take in have been exposed to typical dog and cat illnesses prior to our care. The most common problems we encounter are: Ringworm, Upper Respiratory (cold), Kennel Cough (in dogs), worms, Parvovirus (in dogs), and Giardia or Coccidiosis (diarrhea). We do our best to monitor every animal for health problems or illnesses while in our care and provide adopters with healthy animals, but some of these illnesses may go undetected at the time of adoption due to various incubation periods.

Symptoms of Ringworm: patches of missing fur or dry spots, especially around the face and paws

Symptoms of Upper Respiratory: sneezing and weepy eyes

Symptoms of Kennel Cough: persistent coughing

Symptoms of Parvovirus: listlessness, throwing up, diarrhea, and blood in the stool

If you see any of these signs you should call a veterinarian right away. Many of these are not life threatening and can be taken care of easily with the right medication. However, Parvovirus is often deadly, especially for puppies, if the dog is not taken to a veterinarian for treatment right away. Once you have taken care of your animal's medical needs we ask that you notify the Humane Society of your animal's illness so that we can notify other adopters and monitor the animals in our care for the illness.

All adopted animals from the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County are on a seven day trial visit. If, for any reason, you want to return the animal during this seven day period you may do so, however we ask that you notify the shelter before you bring the animal in so that we have time to prepare proper housing accommodations for the animal. Your adoption fee will be returned, by check within two weeks of the Humane Society receiving a signed surrender form relinquishing the animal to the Humane Society. During your seven day trial period, if you chose to go to the veterinarian it will be at your own expense, we do provide adopters with a free "Well Pet Exam", but anything that you elect to do with the animal at the visit will not be covered by the Humane Society, unless the Humane Society has given written consent ahead of time.

We are truly sorry if any inconveniences develop and will do our best to work with you in the event of any problems occurring. Please keep in mind that we are a volunteer based organization and we do our best to properly care for our animals. Thank you for your understanding and thank you for adopting an animal from the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County.

I have read and understood the above information.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

HSIMC Rep: _____