

**JOYRIDES RESCUE
ADOPTION APPLICATION/CONTRACT INFORMATION**

Our goal is to place pets in permanent, loving homes. Please complete this application so Joyrides Rescue may assist you in finding a special, compatible companion to join your family. With this information, we minimize the risk of a failed adoption. Our application questions are designed to ensure that you have considered important facets of pet ownership. We do not adopt dogs or cats on a "first come, first served" basis, but rather make every attempt to use the information that you provide to match families with the most compatible pets. **WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ANY APPLICATION. YOU MUST BE AT LEAST 25 YEARS OF AGE TO ADOPT.**

The adoption fees are as follows: Houston-area Adoptions - \$200/dog, \$50/cat (you must travel to Houston to pick up your pet); Non-Houston adoptions - \$495/dog, \$100/cat. There is a \$10 microchip registration fee for all pets. These fees help to defray the costs of spaying/neutering, testing, vaccinating, micro-chipping and transporting our pets, but rarely, if ever, cover all expenses. Therefore, additional tax deductible contributions are welcomed. **Please make check payable to Joyrides Rescue.**

Please email your completed application to info@joyrides.org or fax to **(832) 553-7633**.

ADOPTION APPLICATION - Please print clearly.

Applicant Name _____

Name of animal in which you are interested _____ **Date** _____

Breed/Description _____ **Male/Female** _____

How did you hear about the pet you're interested in?

Petfinder Adopt-a-Pet FacebookK Instagram Other _____

Information on Applicant(s):

Driver's License No. _____ **State:** _____ **Date of Birth** _____

Email _____

Address _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Home phone _____ **Work phone** _____ **Cell phone** _____

Employer _____ **What are your hours?** _____

Spouse/Partner Name _____ **Date of Birth** _____

Spouse/Partner Email _____

Spouse/Partner Work phone _____ **Cell phone** _____

Spouse/Partner Employer _____ **What are their hours?** _____

**Release for Veterinary Reference: to be completed by potential adopter if you have a current vet.
Please provide all information to help us identify the correct Veterinary Practice**

I, _____, hereby give permission for any veterinarian providing service to me to release medical information on any/all of my animals to Joyrides Rescue.

Signature of applicant: _____

Vet Clinic: _____ **Vet Name:** _____

Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

Information on Family & Home:

Do you live alone or with family? _____ Does every adult in the household agree on owning this pet? _____

Does anyone in the household have allergies? _____ If so, are they allergic to animal dander? _____

Do you have children? _____ Grandchildren? _____ What ages? _____

Do they live in the household? _____ If they do not live with you, how often do they visit? _____

Do you own or rent? _____ House or apartment? _____ If renting, how long at this location? _____

If renting, does your lease allow pets? _____ Breed or weight restrictions? _____

Pet deposit? _____ (We will need confirmation of payment of any required pet deposit.)

Rental manager's name and phone number _____

Apartment Complex Name (if applicable) _____

Do you have a fenced yard? _____ What type of fence and how high? _____

Do you have any Sago Palms? _____ If yes, are you willing to remove these plants which are highly toxic to dogs? _____

Information on Lifestyle:

Do you have any trips planned or do you expect houseguests in the next 30 days? _____

Do you or your spouse/partner travel frequently? _____ If so, how often? _____

What major life changes (new baby, moving, marriage divorce, etc) do you expect in the next five years:

Rescued animals need time to adjust to new environments. How long do you feel is a fair amount of time for the dog to take to fit into your home/family/lifestyle? _____

Please describe your definition of an aggressive pet:

What do you consider valid reasons for returning/ giving up a pet? Please mark all that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New baby | <input type="checkbox"/> Moving | <input type="checkbox"/> Shedding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barking | <input type="checkbox"/> Want to travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet illness / vet bills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soiling in house/urine marking | <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce | <input type="checkbox"/> New Job |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New household member dislikes pet | <input type="checkbox"/> Protective on leash | <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New pet not getting along with current pet | <input type="checkbox"/> Destructive (digging/chewing) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Anxiety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protective at home / dislikes strangers | <input type="checkbox"/> Illness of family member | <input type="checkbox"/> No Time |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Behavior Problems _____ | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Have you ever been convicted of a felony, been arrested, had any restraining orders placed against you or been involved in a domestic disturbance in which the police were called? ____ (note: affirmative answer will not necessarily disqualify you from adoption)

If yes, state nature of offense(s), date(s), city, state, and disposition:

Information on Pet Care:

How long would the pet be left alone? _____ Where will the pet stay during the day? _____

Where will the pet sleep? _____

What will you do with the pet when you travel? _____

What will you do with this pet if you move? _____

Are you willing and able to purchase and use a crate if needed or advised? _____

Are you willing and able to commit to behavior and/or obedience training? _____

What are you willing to spend annually on a pet? \$ _____

Are you able and willing to pay for emergency care, which could result in a bill of \$1000 or more? _____

Are you willing to devote the time, patience, and love necessary to help a shy pet adjust to home life if it takes several weeks or months? _____

How would you reprimand your pet for mischievous behavior? _____

Do you have a pet door? _____ How will you handle the pet's potty needs? _____

Information on Pet Care (continued):

Have you housetrained a pet before? _____ Describe how you have/will housetrain a pet:

How will you exercise the pet? _____

As a dog ages, it often has age related health issues like arthritis and incontinence. How will you handle this?

Have you owned this breed/mix before? _____ Have you owned a rescued animal before? _____

Have you ever adopted from a rescue group/ shelter? _____ If so, what group/shelter? _____

Have you applied to adopt an animal and been declined? _____ If so why? _____

Have you ever given up animal(s)? _____ If so, why? _____

If so, what did you do with the animal(s)? _____

If there is drastic change in your life (marriage, divorce, death, major illness or injury, children, move, etc.) what will you do with this pet? If you are in a relationship, what is your plan in the unfortunate event of a breakup or divorce?

Information on Desired Pet Characteristics:

Do you have a preference on pet's age, gender, size, breed, hair length, etc.?

What qualities are you looking for in a pet? (Please be specific, also indicate activity level you are looking for in a pet)

What traits or characteristics are you sure you do **NOT** want? (Please be specific) _____

Do you give permission for a Joyrides Rescue representative to visit your home prior to adoption to do a home check and after adoption to do follow up checks on the pet? _____

Anything else you would like us to know? _____

PERSONAL REFERENCES (Please provide two non-relative references):

Name #1: _____ Email: _____

Name #2 : _____ Email: _____

If you are a current or past pet owner, please fill out your pet ownership history on page 4.

Please review our adoption contract on pages 5 and 6. You do not need to sign the contract until we finalize the adoption of your new pet; however we want to be sure that you have reviewed the contract and agree with its terms and conditions.

PET OWNERSHIP HISTORY

Do you or did you have other pets? If yes, please state the breed, sex, etc. of each pet, including whether it was spayed or neutered and on heartworm preventive, and how and when the pet was acquired and why you no longer have the animal. If necessary, attach another sheet or write on the back.

Name _____ Dog or cat? _____ How acquired? _____
Breed _____ Weight? _____ Male or Female? _____ Spayed/neuter? _____
Age of pet _____ Length of ownership _____
Heartworm preventative? _____ What kind of Heartworm preventative? _____ When last given? _____
Is your pet current on all shots? _____ If no, please explain. _____
Where did this animal sleep? _____
Where did the pet stay while you were away or at work? _____
Did this pet have any problems or conditions? _____
What happened to this pet? _____

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ADOPTION, RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

A BINDING AGREEMENT made as of the date set forth above.

WHEREAS, Adopter wishes to take custody of Pet:

Name: _____ Sex: Male Female, Approximate Age: _____

Color: _____ Breed/Description: _____

Altered: Spayed Neutered Heartworm Status: Positive Negative

Enrollment in the Pet Recovery services provided by HomeAgain, Avid, or other comparable service is included in your adoption fee. Joyrides Rescue will remain as the Primary contact and Adopter will be enrolled as the Alternate contact.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of Joyrides Rescue’s relinquishment of custody of Pet and other good and valuable consideration provided to Adopter by Joyrides Rescue, which Adopter acknowledges is good and sufficient consideration for Adopter’s agreements herein, Adopter hereby gives and grants unto Joyrides Rescue, as a basis on which Pet is released, this Adoption, Release and Indemnity Agreement, and promises, covenants and agrees as follows:

HOLD HARMLESS/ INDEMNIFICATION

JOYRIDES RESCUE (AND ITS OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, VOLUNTEERS, AFFILIATED ENTITIES, AND/OR AGENTS) SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO ADOPTER ON ANY THEORY OF LEGAL LIABILITY INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE NEGLIGENCE OF JOYRIDES RESCUE (AND/OR ITS OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, VOLUNTEERS AND/OR AGENTS), FOR ANY INJURY, DEATH OR DAMAGE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CAUSED BY PET. ADOPTER DOES HEREBY RELEASE JOYRIDES RESCUE (AND ITS OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, VOLUNTEERS AND/OR AGENTS) FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, SUITS, OBLIGATIONS, DEMANDS, OR CAUSES OF ACTION, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING IN ANY WAY TO PET OR JOYRIDES RESCUE’S RELEASE OF PET TO ADOPTER. IT IS THE EXPRESSED INTENTION OF ADOPTER AND JOYRIDES RESCUE THAT THE RELEASE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS PARAGRAPH IS DESIGNED AND INTENDED TO PROTECT JOYRIDES RESCUE (AND ITS OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, VOLUNTEERS, AND/OR AGENTS) FROM ANY PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS BY ADOPTER OR OTHERS AND FROM THE CONSEQUENCES OF ANY HARM, BEHAVIOR, OR OTHER ACTION BY PET, AND FROM THE CONSEQUENCES OF ANY ACT OR OMISSION OR NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF JOYRIDES RESCUE (AND ITS OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, VOLUNTEERS AND/OR AGENTS) IN OBTAINING CUSTODY OF PET, IN PROVIDING CARE FOR PET, IN TRAINING OR NOT TRAINING PET, OR IN FAILING TO PROVIDE TIMELY OR ADEQUATE WARNING TO ANY PERSON CONCERNING PET.

_____ ADOPTER’S INITIALS:

ADOPTER further promises, covenants and agrees:

- _____ 1. to pay an adoption fee in regards to this adoption prior to the transfer of said pet to the Adopter. The adoption fee is NON-REFUNDABLE even if the pet is returned to JOYRIDES RESCUE.
- _____ 2. to never sell, trade, or give away this pet to anyone. I will never relinquish this pet to any shelter or pound, whether “no-kill” or otherwise. I will notify JOYRIDES RESCUE if I am unable or unwilling to keep this pet for any reason, and I will return this pet to JOYRIDES RESCUE after arrangements have been made for such return. I will be responsible for all costs related to the return of the pet to JOYRIDES RESCUE. If this pet is lost or stolen, I will notify JOYRIDES RESCUE immediately.
- _____ 3. that all future medical and health maintenance treatments are my responsibility, unless JOYRIDES RESCUE has specifically agreed in writing to pay for them under the “special provisions” at the end of this contract. I will seek immediate (at time of injury or signs of illness) veterinary care if this pet becomes ill or is injured. I understand this is for the lifetime of the pet.
I will administer monthly heartworm preventative to the pet year round. If the pet is heartworm positive, I understand that Heartgard® or ivermectin is the only preventative that may be administered, as any other type could cause the pet to become seriously ill or even die. If the pet is heartworm positive, I will follow a heartworm treatment plan recommended by a veterinarian approved by JOYRIDES RESCUE.
- _____ 4. to keep all immunizations current and updated according to a veterinarian’s schedule.
- _____ 5. to keep the Pet primarily indoors, interacting with my family, and will not to be banished to the back yard. I will never tie my pet to a chain or rope or leave him/her unattended for long periods. The Pet will be exercised in a fenced yard or on a leash, and not be allowed to roam the streets.
- _____ 6. If pet is a cat, to keep the Cat indoors at all times and will never be subjected to surgical removal of its claws
- _____ 7. that the pet SHALL NOT be physically altered in any manner (docking tails, cropping ears, declawing, etc.).
- _____ 8. to comply with all state and local ordinances in the confinement, care, and licensing of this pet. I will reclaim this pet promptly, and pay any required fees if it is picked up by an animal control agency. IF THIS PET IS EVER STOLEN OR

LOST, ADOPTER AGREES THAT HE/SHE WILL TAKE ALL REASONABLE STEPS TO FIND THE PET AND WILL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY JOYRIDES RESCUE. SUCH REASONABLE STEPS, INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, POSTING SIGNS IN THE VICINITY OF WHERE THE PET WENT MISSING AND CHECKING AREA POUNDS AND SHELTERS. IN THE EVENT THAT JOYRIDES RESCUE OR ANY OF ITS AGENTS HAVE TO RETREIVE THE DOG FROM ANY POUND, SHELTER OR PERSON THAT IS IN POSSESSION OF THE DOG AFTER ADOPTER HAS BEEN NOTIFIED, ADOPTER AGREES TO IMMEDIATELY REIMBURSE JOYRIDES RESCUE OR ITS AGENT FOR ANY AMOUNTS EXPENDED IN PROCURING THE DOG'S SAFE RETURN AND JOYRIDES RESCUE RESERVES THE RIGHT IN ITS SOLE AND ABSOLUTE DISCRETION TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE DOG SHALL BE RETURNED TO ADOPTER OR RETAINED BY US.

- ____ 9. Rabies and ID tags will be kept on the animal at all times. Cats will only wear a breakaway collar specifically designed for cats.
- ____ 10. THAT JOYRIDES RESCUE DOES NOT MAKE ANY GUARANTEES REGARDING THE AGE, NATURE, TEMPERAMENT, OR HEALTH OF THIS PET. Adopter assumes all risks and responsibility including the financial responsibility of ownership of this pet once he/she is in my possession and that JOYRIDES RESCUE is not in any way responsible for such costs incurred.
- ____ 11. **that if I fail to fully and timely comply with the terms of this contract, I will, voluntarily, immediately release ownership, possession, custody and control of this pet to JOYRIDES RESCUE, and if I fail to do so, JOYRIDES RESCUE will be entitled to enforce specific performance of this contract in addition to any other legal remedy available to JOYRIDES RESCUE.**
- ____ 12. that all information in the Adoption Application is true, complete and correct and agree that any false or misleading statement thereon will constitute a breach of this contract. If any information contained on Adopter's Adoption Application is untrue, Adopter expressly agrees that JOYRIDES RESCUE may retake custody of Pet without refunding adoption fee and without recourse by Adopter and adopter agrees to relinquish such pet to JOYRIDES RESCUE.
- ____ 13. that this Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas; and
- ____ 14. that any disputes between the parties to this Agreement concerning the subject matter of this Agreement shall be submitted for resolution to the courts of Harris County, Texas.
- ____ 15. I am at least 25 years of age.
- ____ 16. Special provisions of this contract, if any, are as follows: _____

My signature below affirms that I have read and agree to all the above conditions:

SIGNED, this _____ day of (month/year) _____

Signature of Adopter(s)

Signature of Joyrides Rescue Representative

Signature of Adopter(s)

ACCEPTED BY Joyrides Rescue	Adoption Fee Received _____ Microchip Fee: \$10 Additional Contribution Received _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Out of state adoptions: PayPal confirmation # _____
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Medical Records Delivered:	Heartworm Preventative Due On:
Flea/Tick Preventative Due On:	Microchip Information: (see note below)

Note: All microchips are registered and will remain registered under the JOYRIDES RESCUE account. Upon finalization of adoption, JOYRIDES RESCUE will update microchip contact information as appropriate.