



# HUMANE SOCIETY OF TRUCKEE-TAHOE

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## ANIMAL ADOPTION APPLICATION

Pet ownership is a serious responsibility. The policy of the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe is to insure that each person who adopts a pet not only is aware of the responsibility, but that each person is willing and able to accept that responsibility morally, physically and financially. Not every person who desires to own a pet should own a pet.

This application is designed to help us make the best placement possible — the right home for each animal and the right animal for your home. The adoption process takes time because we are committed to giving you all the information and support you need to have a successful adoption. We ask for your patience and cooperation in the joyful process of bringing people and animals together.

### TO BE CONSIDERED FOR AN ADOPTION TODAY, YOU MUST:

- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Be a local resident. (Have current identification showing your present address.)
- Agree to spay or neuter this animal by a certain date if not already done.
- If adopting a dog, provide a suitable confined area.
- Understand that the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe reserves the right to deny any adoption application.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults in home \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_

Does everyone want this animal?  Yes  No

If not, who objects and why? \_\_\_\_\_

Who will be responsible for this animal? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live in a:  House  Apartment  Mobile Home

Condominium  Townhouse  Automobile

Do you live with a parent or relative?  Yes  No  own  rent

If renting, does your landlord allow pets?  Yes  No  Not Sure

Landlord's name/address/phone number

\_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived at your current address? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning to move within the next six months?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

If you do move in the future, what will you do with your pet? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please list other pets you **currently** own:

**Previously** owned:

If the animal is no longer with you please indicate what happened to the pet.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Are your pets current on their vaccinations?  Yes  No

If your pet is not spayed or neutered, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Is your pet uncomfortable with:  strangers  children  cats  dogs  
 men  women  other.

If applicable, how does your pet react when faced with unpleasant company?

\_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_ City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied to adopt an animal from us before?  Yes  No When? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you adopted an animal from us before?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

Type and when? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever turned in an animal to a shelter?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

What were the circumstances? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does any member of your household have allergies to animals?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what kind of animals and how severe? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How much will you budget for and anticipate spending yearly to feed, vaccinate, license and provide medical care for your animal? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Are you prepared to take your new animal for a complete veterinary exam within two weeks and provide any necessary medical treatment?  Yes  No

Who will care for your pet when you go away on vacation? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever kenneled a pet?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain any kenneling problems you have experienced and how they were resolved.

How many hours a day will the animal be left alone? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the animal be kept during the day? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Where will the animal be kept at night? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Where will it sleep? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Where will you feed it? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How will you help your new animal adjust to your new home? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If your animal gets lost, what will you do to try to find it? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you must give up this animal, how will you place it?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you understand your local animal control ordinances, including licensing and limits on the number of animals allowed in a household?  Yes  No

Will this adoption put you over the limit for number of animals allowed in a household?  Yes  No

***If interested in adopting a dog/puppy, please fill out this section (cats/kittens next section).***

- Do you want the dog for a:
- house pet
  - breeder
  - gift
  - fighting dog
  - watch dog
  - companion
  - company for other pets

Where will you exercise your dog? \_\_\_\_\_

How often? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you use a leash to walk/exercise your dog?  Yes  No

If not, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

If adopting a puppy or a non-housebroken adult, how do you plan to housebreak it?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to take you dog to obedience classes?  Yes  No

What will you do if your dog shows destructive behavior? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to place personal identification on your dog?  Yes  No

Do you plan to let your dog ride in the back of an open bed pickup truck?  Yes  No

Have you had a dog die on your premises of distemper, parvo, or unknown causes within the last three months?  Yes  No

If so, explain. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How will you confine your dog (circle all applicable):  fenced yard  kennel run  
 invisible fence  cable run  post to tie your dog to  other

If you have a fenced yard, how high is your fence? \_\_\_\_\_ Type? \_\_\_\_\_

***If interested in adopting a cat/kitten, please fill out this section (dogs/puppies previous section).***

Do you want the cat for a:  house pet  breeder  gift  mouser  
 companion  company for other pets

Will the cat be allowed outside during the day?  Yes  No

At night?  Yes  No

Will you provide a litter box for your cat while indoors?  Yes  No

Do you plan to declaw your cat?  Yes  No

If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to put personal identification on your cat?  Yes  No

How will you train your cat to: \_\_\_\_\_  
• Stay off furniture tables? \_\_\_\_\_

- Not chew plants? \_\_\_\_\_
- Not scratch furniture? \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any problems with the following traits of cats (circle all that apply):

- roams                                       meows a lot                                       hunts rodents/birds  
 possibly shy of strangers    nocturnal                                       reserved  
 does not like to be held    claws/bites playfully  
 hates grooming/brushing    fights with other cats                                       independent  
 sprays                                       other

What will you do if your cat displays destructive behavior or undesirable traits?

\_\_\_\_\_

**Cats and dogs often live longer than 15 years. Are you ready to take responsibility for this animal's entire life?** \_\_\_\_\_

The Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe reserves the right to check back on the welfare of your animal. Would you object to an inspection of your premises by HSTT personnel? \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby release to the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe all veterinary records of all animals I have had or currently have.

I certify that all the information in this application is true and correct and understand that false information may void this application. I also understand that failure to comply with the conditions set forth in the application contract could result in the refusal of future adoptions from the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_