



FIRST STATE GREYHOUND RESCUE, INC. ADOPTION APPLICATION

It is important to provide truthful answers to all questions if you are serious about adopting an ex-racing greyhound from this organization. **All questions must be answered in full. All contact information for references must be provided.**

APPLICANT:

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
County _____ Township _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____
Age of applicant: _____ Occupation of applicant: _____ Age of co-applicant: _____ Occupation of co-applicant: _____
Where did you hear about First State Greyhound Rescue? _____

REFERENCES: No reference may be used twice. Please provide all contact information. If your existing and former pets have not been seen by a veterinarian on an annual basis, have not consistently received yearly vaccinations (excluding those with special medical issues) and have not had heartworm preventative on a consistent basis, do not apply to adopt a greyhound.

1. Do you have a current vet? () Yes () No Are your pet's records and immunizations updated on a consistent basis? () Yes () No

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____
Email Address _____

How long has this been your veterinarian? _____ Is this veterinarian familiar with greyhounds? () Yes () No () Don't know

With my signature below, I, _____, hereby authorize my current and former veterinarian to release necessary records and information to FSGR for reference checking purposes.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Previous Veterinarian's Name _____ Address: _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Phone: _____

How long ago was this your vet? _____

2. Neighbor's Name _____ Address: _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Telephone Number _____ Best time to call _____
Email Address _____ How long have you known this neighbor? _____

3. Another Neighbor's Name _____ Address: _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Telephone Number _____ Best time to call _____
Email Address _____ How long have you known this neighbor? _____

4. Personal Friend's Name _____ Address: _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Telephone Number _____ Best time to call _____
Email Address _____ How long have you known this friend? _____

5. Another Personal Friend's Name _____ Address: _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ Telephone Number _____ Best time to call _____
Email Address _____ How long have you known this friend? _____

6. Relative over 25: _____ Relationship: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Telephone Number: _____ Best time to call _____ Email Address: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Are all family members in complete agreement about adopting a greyhound? () Yes () No () Not Sure
- Type of Residence: () Apartment () Condominium () Townhouse () Twin () Mobile Home () Single Family () Farm or Ranch
- Do you: () Own or () Rent residence? If you rent, does the landlord allow dogs over 50 pounds? () Yes; () No. **If you rent, include a copy of the rental agreement or a letter from the landlord stating large dogs are permitted. Return the letter with this application.** Does your municipality or township restrict the number of dogs per household? If so, to how many? _____
- Do you have fenced in yard? () Yes () No What is the height of the fence? _____ What is the dimension of yard area enclosed by the fence? _____
What is the type of fence? _____ Is the fence in good repair? () Yes () No
This adoption program does not recognize electronic/invisible fencing for greyhound containment in any case or scenario.
Do the gates open in or out from the containment area? () In () Out A self-closing gate is highly recommended.
- 4A. Is the fenced in area heavily wooded; are there holes, ruts and obstructions? Explain _____
4B. Do the screen/storm doors of your home close securely and clasp? () Yes () No Do they have screens and storm windows? () Yes () No
Are they self-close? () Yes () No
4C. Does your home have long staircases (more than 2-3 steps) that your greyhound will need to climb? () Yes; No ()
- Ages of persons under 18 with which your greyhound will regularly interact: _____
- 5A. Are the children and/or grandchildren taught to respect and properly interact with dogs and other animals? () Yes () No
- 5B. Do you consider your household to be busy or quiet? _____
- Does anyone in the household have allergies? () Yes () No Any allergies to pet dander? () Yes () No
- Name of adult family member with major responsibility for daily care of this greyhound? _____ What is the relationship? (Mother; Father?) _____
- Do any neighboring pets or any wild animals frequent your yard space? () Yes () No

- 9. Have you tried to adopt an animal and been turned down? () Yes () No If yes, please explain.
Have you ever had a greyhound before? () Yes () No
10. Will this be your first pet? () Yes () No
11. What type of pets did you previously own? () Dogs () Cats () Pigs () Ferrets; Other, please name
12. What happened to them?
13. Did you ever return a pet to a humane society or pound? () Yes () No If yes, please explain:
14. What pet dogs do you currently own? State breed, age and number of dogs. How long have you had them?
What is the gender of these dogs? () Female () Male Are any of these dogs territorial? () Yes () No
15. Are any of these dogs considered "alpha"? () Yes () No
16. Are they spayed or neutered? () Yes () No If no, why not?
17. Are the dogs current with shots, including rabies? () Yes () No If no, why not?
18. Do you own cats? () Yes () No How many? How long have you had them? Ages? Are they spayed/neutered? () Yes () No
If no, why not?
19. Are the cats current with shots, including rabies? () Yes () No If no, why not?
20. Are the cats () house cats or () outside cats? All cats must be up-to-date on vaccinations. Any reason/s for exceptions must be justified by your veterinarian.
Are the cats declawed? () Yes () No Are any of these cats considered territorial? () Yes () No
21. What other pets do you own? What are they? How many?
How long have you had them?

GREYHOUND CONSIDERATION:

- 1. Why do you want to adopt a greyhound?
2. Do you understand that your greyhound will be spayed or neutered? () Yes () No
3. What gender of greyhound do you prefer? () Female () Male () No Preference
4. What weight or size greyhound do you prefer? () No Preference
5. What age of dog do you prefer? () No Preference We do not adopt on the basis of color.
6. What temperament would best suit your household/lifestyle?
7. Would you consider adopting a dog aged 6 or older? () Yes () No A dog that was a brood bitch or stud? () Yes () No
8. Would you consider a special needs (for example, lame, blind or partially blind, or daily-medicated, or track-injured) greyhound? () Yes () No
9. Where will the greyhound spend the majority of its time? Please explain.
10. How many hours each day will your greyhound be alone/unattended?
11. When you vacation, will the greyhound be with you? () Yes () No If no, with whom and what kind of care will be given to your greyhound?
12. Greyhounds are used to being crated. Are you willing to crate your greyhound during its transition into your home for as long as necessary?
() Yes () No If no, why not? What type of crate do you have available?
13. Can an adoption representative visit your home for pre-adoption and post-adoption visits? () Yes () No
14. Do you employ a lawn care program that uses lawn chemicals? () Yes () No
15. When would you wish to adopt your greyhound?
16. Do you understand that your greyhound is a pet and that you will not offer into medical research, race, or hunt with it? () Yes () No
17. Do you intend to lure course your greyhound? () Yes () No
18. Are you willing to accept immediate and total responsibility of ownership of your greyhound, including all health care costs, food and shelter?
() Yes () No The estimated cost of maintaining a greyhound on a yearly basis is \$935. This estimate includes food, dog license, vaccines, heartworm testing
and monthly preventative, flea/tick preventative, dental cleaning, boarding and bordatella vaccine. Seriously consider if this estimated cost (plus unforeseen
emergencies) are within your budget to properly care for this, or any other, pet adopted by you.
19. Do you agree to give your greyhound heartworm preventative? () Yes () No Are other dogs in your home currently on heartworm preventative? () Yes () No
Do you agree to re-test your greyhound for heartworm? () Yes () No
20. Do you agree to properly license your greyhound and follow all local and state laws and regulations that pertain to pet ownership and control?
() Yes () No
21. In addition to the First State Greyhound Rescue identification tag, do you agree to immediately provide a nametag to include the greyhound's name and your
contact telephone number(s) and address? () Yes () No
22. Do you agree to keep your greyhound within an impenetrable fenced-in area or walk on leash to relieve itself 3 or 4 times a day? () Yes () No
23. Do you agree to NEVER tie your greyhound to a stationery object or to tie it to an overhead run? () Yes () No
24. Do you understand that your adopted greyhound MUST BE RETURNED TO THIS ADOPTION ORGANIZATION if you are not able to keep it or maintain it in
good health and comfort? () Yes () No

SIGNATURES

Adopter

Date

Adopter

Date

Approved for adoption

Date

First State Greyhound Rescue, Inc. Representative

Date

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Please include a deposit in the amount of \$100.00 payable to **First State Greyhound Rescue, Inc.** with your application. The non-refundable deposit will be applied to the total adoption fee, which is \$285.00 for hounds under 7 years of age, and \$185.00 for hounds 7 years and older.*

Required reading for first-time adopters is Lee Livingood's "Retired Racing Greyhounds for Dummies" and is available for purchase through First State's website.

Please return application and deposit check to any Adoption Representative noted below.

The application review process could take several weeks. Please be patient! Thank you.

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* A \$25 returned check fee will be charged.
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