

Humane Society of Dover-Stewart County Adoption Application

Adoption Application Approvals If interested in adopting, please fill out and send an application first. If you have any questions, we prefer email inquiries. Everything we know about a dog is listed in the pet description section. After we receive an application and review it, we will be in touch by email. Every question on the application **MUST** be completed; incomplete applications will not be considered. Sometimes we do not approve an application because we receive several for the same dog. We choose the family/individual we feel is the best match for the dog's breed and personality and the one that can provide the type of home environment best for that particular dog.

SCHEDULE A VISIT Please first fill out an adoption application. Once we have your application, We will contact you via e-mail.

Our adoption application is very thorough. We want to make sure that we find our dogs a secure, lifelong home and that we match the right dog to the right family based on wants, home environment, personalities and lifestyle. Unfortunately, individuals and families often give up pets because not enough thought was put into the matter beforehand, and we wish to avoid creating more homeless pets in the future. We hope you understand that such a thorough application is necessary to make sure our dogs go to responsible, loving and lifelong homes.

Today's Date: _____

Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): _____

Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Email (required): _____

Your age*: _____

****Note: you must be 21 or older to adopt a dog from the Humane Society of Dover-Stewart County.***

Are you (select one):

- Single
- Married
- Divorced
- Living with Roommate/s

Number of other adults and their ages who are living in your household:

Place of Employment: _____

Spouse's Place of Employment: _____

Do you rent or own your home? _____

If you rent, do you have permission from your landlord to have a dog? _____

Landlord's name and phone number: _____

Does everyone in your household know you plan to adopt a dog? _____

If not, please explain:

Describe your residence (house, apartment, condo, mobile home): _____

Do you have a fenced yard? _____

How large is the fenced area? _____

How high is the fence? _____

If you don't have a fenced yard, what are your plans for the dog's exercise and toilet duties?

If you don't have a fenced yard, would you allow the dog to run off-leash? _____

How do you plan to confine the dog to your yard? _____

For how many hours a day? _____

Do you plan to move within the next year? _____

If you are active duty military, what are your plans for the dog during long deployments?

Do you have children? _____

If yes, what are their names and ages? _____

Is this your first dog? _____

Do you currently have other pets? _____

If yes, how many? _____

If you have other pets, list type of pet and their breed, sex and age.

Are your animals spayed or neutered? _____

Are they on heartworm prevention? _____

Other than currently owned pet/s listed above, please list any other pet/s you have owned in the past 5 years.

Include name, breed, time owned, where pet was kept, if it was spayed/neutered:

What happened to the pet/s? _____

Have you ever dropped one of your dogs off at a shelter or pound? If so, why?

Have you ever adopted from a shelter or rescue before? _____

How did you learn about The Humane Society of Dover-Stewart County?

Is there a specific dog you are interested in? _____

If so, give name and description:

If you're not interested in a specific dog, do you have a breed preference? _____

If so, list in order of preference:

Are you looking for a puppy, young adult or older dog? _____

Male or female? _____

Why do you want a dog?

What personality traits are you looking for in a dog?

Who is your veterinarian? _____

Veterinarian's Address:

Veterinarian's Phone:

May we check your vet records? _____
If no, explain why:

How much time will the dog spend alone each day? _____

Where will the dog sleep at night? _____

If you travel, how will you care for your dog?

How do you plan to keep your dog from being bored when no one is home?

What is the maximum amount of time you're willing to give the dog to adjust to you, your family and his new environment? _____

Would you be willing to allow us to visit you and your new dog after adoption? _____
If no, please explain:

For what reasons would you consider giving up or getting rid of a dog?

Some of our dogs are not housetrained. Some are, but need a little time to adjust to a new home. Are you able/willing to handle potty training issues?

Would you like information on house training or any other dog care issue? _____

Please list three references that are not related to you or live with you.
Give name, phone number, city, state and email address:

1)

2)

3)

*Submitting this application does not guarantee that you'll qualify or be able to adopt a dog at this time.