

Application for Dog Adoption

1. APPLICANT DETAILS	
TITLE	
FIRST NAME	
FAMILY NAME	
ADDRESS	
STREET	
SUBURB	
CITY	POSTCODE
TEL-Home	
TEL-Work	
MOBILE	
EMAIL	
WHAT IS YOUR NZ RESIDENCY STATUS?	<input type="checkbox"/> NZ CITIZEN <input type="checkbox"/> PERMANENT RESIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER, please state _____
2. YOUR HOUSEHOLD	
How many people live in your household?	
Please provide ages of any children under 18	
What best describes your current living situation?	<input type="checkbox"/> RENTING <input type="checkbox"/> OWN YOUR OWN HOME <input type="checkbox"/> LIVE WITH FAMILY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER, please state _____ If renting you require your landlord's permission. Landlords name: _____ Contact: _____
3. PLANNING FOR A DOG IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD	
What is your main reason for adopting a dog?	
Have you owned a dog before?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES
If yes, what breeds?	
Please describe the current pets in your household.	
If you are adopting a second dog we request you bring your existing dog here to meet the new dog.	
3. PLANNING FOR A DOG IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD (CONT)	
On a typical work day, how long might your dog be home alone for?	
How will the dog be contained when you are not at home?	
Please describe your fencing (incl height & material):	
What activities will you do with your dog?	
Where will your dog sleep at night?	
If you go on holiday, what will you do with your dog?	
If you had to unexpectedly move house, what would you do with your dog?	
If your dog developed a behavioural issue, what would you do?	
Are you aware of your Council By-Laws?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES
You are required by law to register your dog annually and keep your dog contained on your property. You may require a permit for multiple dogs.	
Have you ever been disqualified from owning a dog or classified probationary by a territorial authority?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES
Are you aware of the responsibilities and cost of owning a dog?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES
We would be happy to discuss this with you. Dogs can live for up to 15 years so you need to be prepared for a lifelong commitment.	
4. SIGNATURE	
We appreciate your cooperation in completing this form. Our aim is to adopt each dog to the most suitable owner. We reserve the right to decline any application at our discretion and to request proof of ID. You must be over 18 to adopt a dog. Please sign below to indicate your understanding of this.	
Signature:	DATE: / /

Dog Foster / Adoption Rules

- * All puppies and dogs must be fostered before adoptions can be approved. This is for a maximum of two weeks. Adoptions must be made within two weeks of taking the dog on foster, or it must be returned to the SPCA.
- * Property checks may be carried out by the SPCA before fostering. Landlord's written consent is required for rental properties.
- * Fostering is not a guarantee of adoption being approved.
- * All puppies and dogs on foster must be kept on a lead if not in an enclosed area.
- * Unvaccinated puppies must be kept on the fosterer's property.
- * Nelson SPCA makes every effort to ensure the good health of the animals you are fostering, but cannot accept any responsibility for undetected diseases or conditions that may occur or be passed on to you or your animals. The Nelson SPCA cannot be held responsible for any incurred costs as a result of injury or infection to you, your family or your animals, or from damage to property or person caused by your foster animal(s).
- * All puppies and dogs (if not already desexed) must be booked in for desexing at the time of adoption. The SPCA retains ownership of all animals until the adoption process and desexing are completed.
The Nelson SPCA reserves the right to uplift any dog or puppy which is not adopted or desexed within the required timeframe.
- * Puppies and dogs will be registered with the appropriate local council (by the SPCA) at the time of adoption. This cost must be met by the adopter.
- * All leads, collars, crates, carry bags and any other equipment lent for the foster period must be returned at the time of adoption / return.
Please keep your blue SPCA tag on the dog until it can be replaced by the council tag. We would then appreciate its return to the SPCA.
- * If your foster puppy / dog shows signs of illness, or if you have any other concerns, please contact the SPCA Centre immediately on 547 7171. (After hours please phone 027 436 9243). Often we can help over the phone. If not, we will pay for a veterinary consultation but please contact us first or you may be liable for costs incurred.

I **declare that I have read and understood the above rules and agree to abide by them.**

Signed **Date**