

Moose Jaw Humane Society
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Moose Jaw, SK
S6H 7K7



MOOSE JAW HUMANE SOCIETY - Dog Foster Home Application

We are glad that you have come to help out a pet from our shelter and to provide it with the temporary home and love it needs and deserves until it is ready to be adopted. Fostering can be emotionally challenging. It is inevitable that foster parents will fall in love with their dog, only to have to see them move on to the adoptive home. People who foster are unique in that they put the welfare of the dog ahead of their own feelings

All animals are examined upon entry, and their health is routinely monitored while at the shelter, however, there is always a chance that an animal is incubating a disease without showing any clinical signs. It is strongly recommended that your own pet's vaccinations are up to date.

The average stay for one of our dogs is about 45 days. Sometimes, dogs are adopted out to permanent homes within a week or two of being in foster care, and other times, it can take several months to find the best home. It's not usually possible to predict exactly how long a dog will be in foster care, but we're often able to match you up with dogs that we anticipate will get adopted within your suggested time-frame.

We cover all approved medical expenses of dogs in foster care. This usually includes vaccinations, deworming, and spaying / neutering. It's asked that foster homes provide transportation for their dogs to our chosen vet clinic; we do utilize all three vet clinics in Moose Jaw.

Foster Home Requirements:

- **You must be at least 18 years old and willing to provide photo identification.**
- **If you are renting or live with parents, you must provide a letter of consent from your landlord, property owner, or parents stating that you are allowed to have a pet(s).**
- **We reserve the right to deny applications.**

If you are able to comply with the above requirements, please proceed. Date: _____

Full Names: _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone #(s) Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____

Name of unrelated reference: _____ Phone #: _____

Please circle - Do you: own rent live with parents *If you rent or live with parents, please provide:*

Owner of Property's name(s): _____ Phone: _____

- ❖ *Please note that in order for your application to be approved, you are required to bring in a letter of consent from your landlord / property owner or parents stating that you are allowed to have the pet you are applying for.*

Occupation: _____ Name of employer: _____

Tell Us About Yourself and Your Home Environment:

How many children live in the household? _____ Ages: _____

Are all members of the household aware of and in agreement with becoming a foster family? **Yes No**

Does anyone in the household have allergies? **Yes No** What are they? _____

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Who will be the primary caregiver for this animal? _____

Approximately how many hours each day will this pet spend **without** human companionship? _____

Please describe the area in your home where the foster pet(s) will be kept – can it be closed off from the rest of the house? **Yes No**

Please describe your experience/knowledge in caring for dogs: _____

Pet Health and Well-being

Do you have a regular veterinarian? **Yes No** May we contact them regarding the care of your animals? **Yes No**

If yes, provide name of clinic and doctor: _____

Have you had a dog or cat **die from unknown causes** in the past 6 months? **Yes No** If yes, please explain:

How many pets do you currently own? Dogs _____ Cats _____ Other: _____

Breed and age: _____

Are they spayed or neutered? **Yes No Male or Female** Up-to-date on vaccinations? **Yes No**

Do you have a car at all times? **Yes No** If not and the need arises, are you willing to transport the animal to and from the MJHS and/or vet clinic by taxi at your own cost or make other arrangements for travel? **Yes No**

If your foster pet becomes seriously ill, you will need to bring it to the shelter to be assessed for treatment. If an illness occurs after hours, we ask that you phone our emergency call line and you will be put through to the attendant who is on-call. That attendant can assess the need for any veterinary attention and arrange treatment at one of the local clinics.

If your foster pet needed serious medical attention at any time, and our staff concluded that the animal needed to be euthanized, would you be supportive of our decision? **Yes No**

Care and Training of your Foster Dog

Do you have experience in kennel/crate training? **Yes No** Do you have experience in housetraining? **Yes No**

Where will the dog spend the **day**? (Circle all that apply) **Indoors Outdoors Both**

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If indoors: loose in own room basement garage crate/kennel other: S6H 7K7
If outdoors: loose kennel/run tied up/tether **How many hours per day outside?** _____
Type of outdoor shelter: barn/shed doghouse insulated doghouse raised and insulated doghouse
Other: _____

Where will the dog spend the **night** (if different from above)? _____

Will the dog be allowed inside the house at any time? **Yes No**

Will someone be at home to supervise the dog? **Yes No** If no, what are your plans for the animal when it is not supervised? _____

Do you have a fenced yard? **Yes No** How high is fence? _____ Type? Wood Chain link
Other _____

Rescue dogs have often been through a lot of stress and have not had a stable environment. We emphasize routine, training and exercise in a positive manner without the unnecessary use of harsh corrections. Choke/slip collars, prong/pinch collars, pinning (alpha roll) and hitting and any other harsh treatment is strictly prohibited. Do you accept this? **Yes No**

Do you feel that you can provide a routine and the necessary basic training in a positive manner (this may include but is not limited to: teaching manners, basic obedience, solving a problem behavior, instilling confidence in shy dogs, calming nervous and fearful dogs)? **Yes No**

We believe the key to a dog's health and well-being is to keep them exercised. Exercised dogs tend to be more alert and content. They get better sleep, have more energy and socialize better. If a dog does not have a proper outlet for his energy, he may tend to become destructive, restless and even depressed. Do you feel you will be able to provide a structured routine of exercise in the forms of walking, running or biking for your foster dog? **Yes No**

Please provide your routine for exercising your foster dog _____

Do you understand that insufficient exercise can contribute to problem behaviors including destructiveness (chewing and digging), investigative behavior (garbage raiding), hyperactivity, unruliness, excitability, attention-getting behaviors, and even some forms of barking? It is especially important to ensure that a dog's need for exercise has been met prior to leaving the dog alone at home and prior to lengthy crating or confinement sessions. **Yes No**

Do you agree to keep your foster dog on leash at all times? **Yes No**

Do you agree to closely supervise your foster dog when around children (especially children, or adults, he/she is not familiar with)? **Yes No**

Dog to dog aggression shows up in numerous breeds. We expect that our dogs have the potential to show some degree of dog to dog aggression in select situations. Our job as responsible stewards is to keep our pets out of those situations by reading their body signals and understanding their individual limits. Do you have an understanding of different dog tolerance levels? **Yes No**

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Would you prefer that we arrange to have potential adopters meet your foster dog at our shelter or at your house? _____

Is there any particular days or times that work best for viewing _____

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the Foster Care application. The Foster Care Coordinator will be in contact with you as soon as possible. Please make sure all household members are in agreement to becoming a foster home prior to committing. I acknowledge that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and that I am 18 years of age or older.

PLEASE NOTE THAT APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS MAY TAKE UP TO 24 HOURS, AND THAT THE MOOSE JAW HUMANE SOCIETY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY APPLICATION FOR ANY REASON.

I swear that all information given by myself in this agreement is truthful to the best of my knowledge. I hereby declare that I have read and agree to comply with the terms and conditions listed on this application.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Foster Care Coordinator: _____

Date: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Approved: _____ Denied: _____ Reason: _____

Property Owner's approval received: **Yes** **No**

ID verified by _____ (initial)