



Tri-State Keeshond Rescue & Railroad TKR Volunteer Application

Name: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Other adults occupations: _____

May we contact you for advice within your occupation? Yes No

Ages and sexes of children:

Other adults living with you?

How long have you owned dogs?

Please list types, sexes, neutered/spayed and ages of current pets: _____

Environment you are able to provide a foster dog: City Suburban Rural

Where will the dog be while you're at work? _____

Do you own crates for your pets? Yes No

Do you have a fenced yard? Yes No

Do you routinely walk your dog(s) on a leash? Yes No

Have you ever completed an obedience class with a dog(s)? Yes No

Are your dog(s) on heartworm medication? Yes No

Do you understand that the foster dog must live in your home as a loved family member?

Yes No

Some dogs need to be groomed and/or brushed once a week and have daily exercise requirements. Do you understand these needs, and are you prepared to meet them?

Yes No

Do you understand that you must arrange and pay for vet visits and transportation?

Yes No

Do you understand that you are expected to administer medication or treatment?

Yes No

Do you understand that socialization is necessary: Yes No

Do you understand that no physical punishment is to be used and that you will contact TKR if behavior problems arise?

Yes No

Do you understand that should you foster a dog with known behavior problems you agree to complete the necessary obedience and behavior training to correct the problem and continue to work on correction of this problem during the time the dog is in your foster care. Yes No

Do you understand that you are expected to contact TKR if you need help with any problems? Yes No

Do you understand that all adoption paperwork must be completed prior to adoption and copies returned to TKR. Adoption must be approved by Tristate Keeshond Rescue and home checks must be completed.

Documents will be provided upon request.

Yes No

We will contact your veterinarian. Please contact him/her and give permission for us to discuss your past pet history prior to our call.

Veterinarian:

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State, Zip: _____

Please provide 3 personal references. Please let these references know we will be contacting them to discuss your past pet history.

Reference: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

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Foster home requirements:

1. I will temperament test each animal and exercise good judgment to assure the animal's suitability for placement prior to acceptance of said dog into Rescue (refer to Evaluating a Dog for Rescue).
2. All dogs entering a TKR affiliated rescuer as an owner surrender will be accompanied by a surrender contract. The surrender contract should include the dog's name, age, sex, physical condition and description, health and veterinary history, and reason the dog was surrendered. A brief summary of the dog's habits is also needed. The surrender contracts should be signed and dated by surrendering owner as well as the rescue representative.
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Housing of Rescued Keeshonden

1. I will house rescued Keeshonden in my care under sanitary conditions, which meet or exceed all minimum standards as defined by local health and sanitation authorities, as well as what is deemed appropriate in the good judgment of a humane and caring person.
2. I will provide appropriate food, clean water and indoor shelter. If utilizing an outdoor kennel, I will ensure that the Keeshonden are sheltered from the elements as required to prevent unnecessary or unjustifiable physical pain or suffering.
3. I will pay attention to and care for the emotional needs of the Keeshonden I receive into Rescue. I will provide a secure, stable environment for the dogs and will interact one-on-one with them as much as possible in order to properly assess their temperament and special needs for placement.
4. I, as a foster, will ensure that any dog I transport, for any reason, will be properly restrained during transport. Restraint may be a seatbelt or crate or any other form of protection that will provide safety to the animal during transport.

Medical

1. Any dog physically accepted into the rescue program MUST receive an examination by a licensed veterinarian within ten days. All veterinary care provided must be documented by the attending veterinarian (invoice statements, diagnosis and billing records), stated but not limited to the following: rabies status, distemper status, heartworm status, spay/neuter verification and any other issues

discussed or diagnosed. A copy of all veterinarian care provided and current health status will be disclosed to the new adoptive family.

2. In the event of serious illness or injury, any dog brought into rescue will be given prompt emergency veterinary care and the individual rescuer has the option to treat expensive illnesses, catastrophic injuries or provide humane euthanasia. The foster home should notify a TKR board member as soon as possible, in this situation.

Sterilization

1. I agree to acquire sterilization for all rescue animals prior to placement in an adoptive home.
2. I agree that if a dog is ill or requires treatment for heartworms or other conditions prior to sterilization, he or she will be sterilized after their recuperation period at which time placement may take place.

Evaluation\Temperament of Fostered Dogs

1. I will temperament test each animal and exercise good judgment to assure the animal's suitability for placement.
2. I will not knowingly place a vicious or otherwise seriously temperamentally unsound dog in an adoptive home.
3. Temperament evaluation should include determining if the dog shows signs of aggression to people, as well as other dogs or other pets. If the dog shows any signs of aggression to people, it should be excluded from the adoption program. If deemed necessary, that the dog should be humanely euthanized, a TKR Board member will be contacted PRIOR to euthanization.
4. I will ensure that rescue dogs deemed unadoptable for reasons of health, temperament, or any other reason will be humanely euthanized by a veterinarian, or certified euthanasia technician and properly disposed of.
5. I understand and agree that not every dog can be rehabilitated, or will be deemed adoptable due to health or temperament reasons. I further concur that in cases of incurable cancer, injuries so severe or pain so intense that the dog cannot have a good quality of life, or due to temperament\behavioral problems, euthanasia may be the most humane service we can provide. I will contact a TKR Board member for consultation and approval.
6. I will not place a dog that is physically unsafe to humans in temperament or behavior. This includes dogs with diagnosed psychosis or that are known to be habitual fear biters. This does not necessarily include dogs that are home and family protective, and each dog will be assessed on a case by case basis, and professional evaluation sought if necessary, at the discretion of the foster caregiver. Under no circumstances will a dog be brought into rescue or placed in an adoptive home that has a known history of biting. All dogs brought into rescue should exhibit the normal range of bite inhibition.

Transportation

1. If I am providing transport as part of a "rescue railroad" (defined as transporting a rescue from point A to point B along a designated route), I will ensure I use safety restraints or crates while transporting the dog.
2. If I am providing overnight accommodations to a rescue along the designated route, I agree to continue with the railroad as designated in the 'rescue railroad' guidance.
3. I understand that the dog I am transporting is the property of TKR. I understand that the dog must be transported to the locations agreed upon with the Transportation Coordinator.
4. All dogs being transported by the rescue railroad should be accompanied by any formal paperwork

indicating that the dog has been “officially” surrendered to the rescue and all documentation such as veterinary care or animal history.

Grievance\Violation

I understand that the TKR is not a policing agency. However, if the TKR Board receives complaints about me I understand that these complaints must be responded to. The TKR Board may designate one or more Board members or others to investigate the complaint. If the Board determines that I violated or did not abide by the TKR rules, I will be removed permanently from the TKR as a rescue contact and any and all association with the TKR will cease. I further understand that there is no appeal process and the decision of the TKR is final.

By placing my signature below, I understand and agree to abide by and uphold the terms and conditions of the Tri-State Keeshond Rescue. If I fail to do so, I understand and accept the Grievance\Violation procedure.

Print Name:: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Return completed form to the following TKR Representative:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

* As a foster applicant you will need a home inspection done. This is just to make sure that a foster will be provided a well-kept & healthy environment.

Please use the space below for additional information: