



Foster Home Application and Agreement

This application was designed to help us get to know you and to determine which dogs will be good fosters for you. If some of the questions seem personal, that's because they are. The well being of our foster dogs is very important to us and we need to get to know you before entrusting one to your care. Please answer all questions as thoroughly as possible and feel free to ask us questions also.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Contact Information:

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Address: _____
City, State ZIP: _____
Phone (H): _____
Phone (W): _____
Phone (C): _____
Email: _____

What is your occupation? _____
How far from home do you work? _____
How many hours per week do you work? _____

Residency Information:

Do you own or are you renting? _____
If renting, does your landlord allow dogs? _____
If yes, can you get it in writing upon request? _____
If you have a yard, is it fenced? (Yes / No / No Yard) _____
Is so, fence material and height? _____
Would you consent to a home visit by NYCSR personnel upon request? (Yes / No) _____

Adults & Children

Do you have other adults living with you? If so, please list them. _____
Do you have children who live with you or visit your home on a regular basis? If so, list names and ages. _____
Are the children experienced around dogs? _____
Is anyone in the home allergic to dogs? (Yes / No) _____

Is anyone in the home afraid of dogs? (Yes / No)

Your Dog Experience

How many years have you been involved with dogs?

What breeds have you had experience with?

What type of experience (pet, training, showing, breeding, etc.) do you have?

What experience do you have with other animals?

Do you have any special dog-related skills (trainer, vet tech, etc.)?

Have you fostered dogs for another rescue group? If so, please give the name of the group, dates you volunteered, and your overall experience with them.

The foster dog's environment

How many hours per day will the foster dog be unattended?

How will the foster dog be housed (indoors loose, crated, with or separate from other dogs, outside)?

Do you own a crate for foster dogs' use?

If you currently have dogs:

List all dogs in your household (breed, age, sex):

Are all of these dogs spayed/neutered (yes / no)?

Are all of these dogs current on vaccinations/titers?

Are all of these dogs accepting of new dogs in their home? If not, please explain.

Are all of these dogs able to have a separate, safe haven away from foster dogs?

Do you have a separate area to isolate the foster dog for health reasons if necessary?

Has a neighbor ever formally complained about your dogs (to 911, 311, animal control, landlord, etc.)

References (MANDATORY)

Please list two personal references. If possible, please list individuals who are active in the dog community and are knowledgeable about your care of dogs, such as a trainer, veterinarian, breeder, active rescue volunteer, etc.

Name / Credentials / Phone #: _____

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Your Requirements for Fostering

Preferred sex of foster dog: _____

Length of time willing to foster: _____

Are you willing to foster the following (yes / no):

A dog with kennel cough? _____

A dog that is injured? _____

A dog with a litter of puppies? _____

Puppies being bottle fed? _____

A dog with behavior problems? _____

A dog that is dog aggressive? _____

A dog that is not housebroken? _____

Any other restrictions:

Please feel free to add any other information you think would be useful for us to know or make any comments that you would like to add.

TERMS OF THE FOSTER VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT

I, _____ [print name] hereby acknowledge the following policies and agree to abide by them during the entire time I am fostering dogs for **NYC Shiba Rescue, Inc. (NYCSR)** (initial each line):

- 1) _____ I understand that my role is solely as a temporary home, and that although my opinion regarding the match between the foster dog and potential adopters is very important, the ultimate placement of any dogs I foster will be conducted by NYCSR. It is NYCSR's responsibility to review and interview potential adopters.
- 2) _____ I will remember in all my dealings with the public as a foster volunteer that I represent NYCSR, and that the public will consider my words and actions to be representative of the attitudes and positions of NYCSR as an organization. I understand that as an individual, I am not authorized to speak for NYCSR, nor can I enter into any agreements for NYCSR; any such activity will be referred to the Board of Directors.
- 3) _____ I have read, understand and support the mission of NYCSR.
- 4) _____ I understand that I am personally responsible for any and all financial expenses that I incur in my efforts to foster dogs for NYCSR. Although NYCSR may reimburse my expenses, I agree that each expense must be supported by receipts, must be pre-approved by the Foster Program Director, and that any expense over \$200 for a single dog must also be pre-approved by the Board of Directors. I accept full responsibility for any expenses incurred by me that fall outside of approved expenditures. I will always remember that I represent a nonprofit organization and in no way can profit from any activity related to the organization.
- 5) _____ I agree to not leave an NYCSR foster dog in anyone else's care unless that person is approved to Foster by the Foster Program Director or other NYCSR Board member.
- 6) _____ I agree to not take any other dogs into my care or home – short or long term – during the time I am actively fostering for NYCSR without written approval from NYCSR.
- 7) _____ I understand that NYCSR cannot guarantee or be held responsible for the temperament, behavior, or health of foster dogs that I may handle. I am aware that foster dogs may cause damage to my personal property, other pets, and humans. I will keep dogs securely contained at all times while in my care.
- 8) _____ I understand that it is my decision to foster dogs for NYCSR. I will not hold NYCSR liable for any damage, injury or harm caused directly or indirectly through my fostering activities with NYCSR. I carry insurance coverage in the event of personal or liability damages resulting from fostering dogs for NYCSR.
- 9) _____ I understand that my foster volunteer position will be terminated if my conduct is deemed in opposition of the mission of NYCSR, or detrimental to the best interests of the dog(s) in my care or of NYCSR.

I understand and agree to all of the above, and support the mission of NYCSR. I understand that this form must be received and approved by NYCSR before I may volunteer for the organization, and that NYCSR reserves the right to refuse my application.

Signed: _____

Date _____

Name (printed): _____