

## Foster Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

How many pets do you have in your home now? \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian's Phone \_\_\_\_\_

***Please contact your veterinarian and give your permission for the ARF reference check.***

Have you fostered dogs before? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, do you prefer male or female? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have an indoor area to confine your foster in the event he/she requires medical quarantine or separated evaluation? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, will you need a crate? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own your home or rent? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any deed restrictions or government limitations upon the number of dogs you may have? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have homeowners' or liability insurance? \_\_\_\_\_

If you rent, does your landlord permit pets? \_\_\_\_\_

If you rent, please provide your landlord's business contact information. \_\_\_\_\_

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Is someone home during the day and night? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours per day will the foster be without humans in the home? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the foster be during the day? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the foster sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children at home? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, list names and ages: \_\_\_\_\_

What hobbies do you enjoy? \_\_\_\_\_

Length of time you can foster (e.g., a couple of days, a week, a month, overnight for transport, in an emergency) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live in a single story house, two-story house, townhouse, apartment, condo, duplex, or other. Please specify.

Do you live in an urban, suburban or rural area? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever participated in obedience training with a dog? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of training can you provide while fostering? (e.g., housetraining, house manners, obedience, leash training, automobile travel, human socialization, canine socialization, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide 2 personal references (non-family members). Include names, addresses, telephone numbers and best day and time to contact each reference.

Please tell us why you would like to be involved with ARF as a foster family. \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name), hereby agree to abide by the following policies during the time I am volunteering for ARF:

- 1) I understand it is my decision to volunteer for ARF and I will not hold ARF, nor any of its members, liable for any damage, injury or harm caused directly or indirectly through my volunteer fostering activities with ARF.
- 2) I will remember that in all my dealings with the public as a volunteer, I am representing ARF, and that the public will consider my words and actions regarding rescue activities representative of the attitude and position of ARF as an organization. If I enter into activities of a political or controversial nature, I am doing so as an individual, separate from ARF.
- 3) I understand that as an individual, I cannot enter into agreements for the organization; any such activity will be forwarded to the Board of Directors.
- 4) I accept full responsibility for expenses incurred by myself as a volunteer for ARF. Although I may be reimbursed by ARF, I must have prior approval from an officer of the Board of Directors, as well as the necessary documentation and receipts.
- 5) I will always remember that I represent a non-profit organization and cannot profit from any activity related to the organization.
- 6) I understand that ARF cannot guarantee or be held responsible for the health, behavior or temperament of rescue companion animals I may handle. I am aware that this foster may cause personal or property damage and agree to keep the foster in my care securely contained.
- 7) I understand that all volunteers are required to sign and abide by the official Code of Ethics as established by ARF of Mississippi.
- 8) I understand that all ARF foster applicants are subject to a home visit and reference check. The home visit will help determine the best placement for foster dogs, and as such, all members of the household must be present so that the entire home situation can be evaluated to determine the type of dog that would do best in your environment.
- 9) I understand that if an applicant is new to Rescue, ARF requires a period of mentoring by an established ARF member.
- 10) ARF is responsible for the final decision regarding the re-homing of any dog in foster care. The foster person is not responsible for placing the dog in a new home.

I attest that the statements and information in this Foster Application are accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand by signing below I agree to the policies as set forth in the ARF Foster Application.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your application. ARFMS reserves the right to refuse or reject any application.