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## Central PA Humane Society Adoption Application

Congratulations! You are beginning a process of bringing a life-long companion and family member into your home. This application is designed to help you select the dog, cat or other animal that is best suited to your family and lifestyle. **COMPLETING AN APPLICATION DOES NOT GUARANTEE AN APPROVAL FOR ADOPTION. MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS MAY BE PLACED ON THE SAME ANIMAL AND WE DO NOT PROCESS THEM ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS. ALL APPLICANTS ARE GIVEN EQUAL CONSIDERATION.**

### HERE ARE THE STEPS ALL POTENTIAL ADOPTERS COMPLETE:

- Since you are interested in adopting a new companion to your home we require that you complete some paper work. This process includes asking questions, asking to see proof of identity, verifying address information (including landlord permission if you rent or proof of home ownership), and checking veterinary records if you have any other animals at home. All pets must be spayed or neutered and current on rabies and distemper vaccinations. This is simply to protect the health of adoption candidates and any pets you might already have.
- **There is a non-refundable \$5.00 application-processing fee for processing your application.**
- *The adoption process generally takes 24 to 48 hours, but may take longer if more information is needed.* We require that all family members, including all children and other pets from home meet with the adoption candidate to ensure compatibility. An Animal Care Attendant will fill you in on any history we have of the pet, if there are any special needs of the pet, and address any questions that you have.
- At adoption you will be asked to complete an adoption contract and pay an adoption fee. Our fees are as follows:

### **DOGS**

\$80 + \$90 Spay/Neuter = \$170 Entire Package Includes:

One-yr. Rabies Vaccination, Parvo/Distemper/Bordatella Vaccination, Deworming, ID Tag and Adoption AND Spay / Neuter Fee for surgery performed with our veterinarian, OR Spay / Neuter Deposit refundable upon proof of surgery by your veterinarian.

\$80 Package for Dogs Already Altered Includes:

For dogs already spayed or neutered (proof required), package includes all other items listed above.

### **CATS**

\$30 + \$90 Spay/Neuter = \$120 Entire Package Includes:

FELV/FIV Test, 1-yr. Rabies Vaccination, FVRCP Vaccination, Deworming, and Adoption AND Spay / Neuter Fee for surgery performed with our veterinarian, OR spay / neuter deposit refundable upon proof of surgery by your veterinarian.

\$30 Package for Cats Already Altered Includes:

For cats already spayed or neutered (proof required), package includes all other items listed above.

**RABBITS:** \$10.00 to \$30.00

**OTHERS:** \$5.00 to \$15.00 and up (some exotics can be more expensive)

**PLEASE NOTE:** AS A RULE WE CANNOT HOLD ANIMALS FOR ANYONE. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS THE "PERFECT PET". Any adopted animal will require training, patience and ample time to adjust to their new home. While we carefully monitor animals surrendered to CPHS, we have limited knowledge of their backgrounds. Therefore, we cannot guarantee the health, behavior, age, gender or breed of any animal adopted from the shelter including any health care.

I acknowledge the information on this page and agree to the fees noted above.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Application Fee Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in adopting:

1st Choice	Intake Number:	Breed:	Age:	Gender: M / F	Is animal S /N? Yes / No Not Sure
2nd Choice	Intake Number:	Breed:	Age:	Gender: M / F	Is animal S /N? Yes / No Not Sure
3rd Choice	Intake Number:	Breed:	Age:	Gender: M / F	Is animal S /N? Yes / No Not Sure

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Ph # \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Applicant Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*No P O Box R. D's must include street name*

City \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Photo copy of Drivers License required: Applicant Drivers License # \_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Applicant Drivers License # \_\_\_\_\_

- Do you live in a: | house? | mobile home? | apartment? | with parents? | dorm? | Other
- Do you **OWN** or **RENT** the home you live in? (Circle one)
- If mobile home, who owns the lot? \_\_\_\_\_
- Does the place where you live have any restrictions on pets, such as weight, type, or number?  
Yes | No  
If so, what are they? \_\_\_\_\_  
Who is your landlord? \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

5. List all the animals you have owned or lived with in the past five years.

TYPE (Dog, Cat, etc.)	PET'S NAME	BREED	GENDER	AGE	Spayed/ Neutered	Where is animal now?	How long owned?
					Yes / No		
					Yes / No		
					Yes / No		
					Yes / No		

Name of Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Owner's Name on Record with Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I must supply all vaccination and health records for my pets to CPHS within 24 hours for consideration of my application. Failure to comply within 24 hours may result in revocation of my application. I am aware that prior to placement of a pet from the CPHS, my currently owned pets, for their protection, must be up-to-date on needed vaccinations including rabies and distemper.

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial as acknowledgement

6. Why are you interested in adopting a companion animal? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. The CPHS believes that adoption is forever, for the lifetime of the pet. Pets can live 10 to 20 years. Do you believe you are prepared to provide daily care (time and expenses) for this many years? Yes No
8. I want my new dog or cat to be: (check all that apply)  
Inside      Outside      Hunter/Mouser      A Guard Dog  
Enthusiastic      Playful      Laid Back      Other:\_\_\_\_\_
9. How many adults live in your home? \_\_\_\_\_ Children? \_\_\_\_\_ Ages of children \_\_\_\_\_
10. How many hours a day do you spend at work? \_\_\_\_\_
11. While at work, how will the new companion spend its time? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
12. Where will the animal stay at night? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Who will be responsible for the animal's care (Such as: feeding, walking, cleaning litter box/poop scooping, training, providing activity toys, regular veterinary appointments, nail clipping, bathing and grooming.) \_\_\_\_\_
14. For dog applicants: Active and/or young dogs may require training to make them a better, well-behaved companion. Are you willing to take on the added expense, time and commitment to help a dog become a compatible family member? Yes No
15. How will you handle a situation if the new pet claws, chews or shows signs of destructive behavior?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
16. For dog applicants, pertaining to potty breaks would you: walk the dog on a leash, place on a cable/tie out, let run in fenced yard, open door to let out freely.
17. How much time would you allow this pet to fully adjust to your family and your present pets? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
18. How much time each day do you plan to spend with your new companion? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
19. What activities or behaviors would you expect your new companion to be able to perform?  
\_\_\_\_\_
20. What forms of exercise will your new companion receive? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
21. Is anyone living in your household allergic to dogs and/or cats? YES NO  
If yes, then who? \_\_\_\_\_
22. If at some point a person can no longer care for their adopted pet, they are required to return the pet to the CPHS. This way the pet may be re-adopted to another qualified family. By my initials, I understand this will be part of the adoption contract. Initials \_\_\_\_\_

23. Pennsylvania State Law requires that all dogs and cats that are three months of age or older receive regular vaccinations against rabies. We urge the other following precautions:

- The pet must receive an annual distemper vaccination.
- The pet should wear at all times a safety collar with current identification information and rabies tag.
- How do you feel about these responsibilities? \_\_\_\_\_

*In 2008, nearly 5,000 animals were surrendered to the CPHS because they were lost, abandoned, neglected, or unwanted. Simply put, there are not enough homes for all dogs and cats born in this community each year. To curb the problem of pet overpopulation, Pennsylvania State Law requires that all animals adopted from shelters be spayed or neutered within a specified period of time.*

24. How do you feel about spaying or neutering your adopted companion? \_\_\_\_\_

### **CPHS STANDARDS FOR ADOPTION**

- All persons living in the household are to be involved in the selection of the pet.
- All adopted pets must be spayed or neutered by the date entered on the Adoption Contract and always be current on vaccinations and rabies inoculations.
- No animal will be adopted as a gift for another person.
- According to the Pennsylvania State Laws, all dogs must be kept under control and cannot be allowed to run at large, so as not to create a public health and safety problem.
- Cats are to be indoor pets only.
- No animal will be adopted to persons having an extensive history of losing, giving away, selling, or having animals injured or killed by moving vehicles.
- Animals that are known to have exhibited vicious tendencies or other serious behavioral disorders are not available for adoption.

**I AGREE TO THE ABOVE CONDITIONS AND WISH TO ADOPT A COMPANION.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Applicant's Signature**

**Once again thank you for visiting the shelter and spending time with our animals. We will review your application and contact you within 24 to 48 hours regarding the status of your application.**

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We're interested in how you heard about this animal.

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visit to the Shelter     | <input type="checkbox"/> TV 10 Appearance             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Finders Website      | <input type="checkbox"/> PETCO Appearance             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Referred by Someone      | <input type="checkbox"/> Public/Fundraiser Appearance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Referred by Rescue Group |   |

NEWSPAPER:

- Altoona Mirror
- Morrison Cove Herald
- Tyrone Herald

RADIO:

- WALY 104       WFBG
- WRTA             WTRN
- WBXQ (Q94)

If no options above apply, please list how else you heard about the animal: \_\_\_\_\_

