



## PRE-ADOPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

Pet ownership is a serious responsibility. To assure that you and your family are aware of the responsibilities, we have prepared the following questions you should ask yourself before adopting a pet. Please complete this form as honestly as you can so we can ensure the best possible match for both you and our animals. The BHS has the right to deny an adoption for any reason.

To be considered for adoption you must:

- Be at least 18 years old
- Have knowledge and consent of all adults living in your household
- Have a valid government-issued photo ID
- Have landlord's consent to bring an animal onto their property

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ANIMAL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ID# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you hear about our animals?  Radio  Website  Newspaper  Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. Have you ever adopted a pet from a humane society before? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no  
If yes, what? \_\_\_\_\_ Where is the pet now? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Have you previously owned an animal? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

3. Why do you want a pet?  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. How many pets currently live in your household?  
Cats \_\_\_\_\_ (#) Spayed/Neutered? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
Dogs \_\_\_\_\_ (#) Spayed/Neutered? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
Other \_\_\_\_\_ Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Are you selecting the right size pet for your family? Do you realize what size this animal will become, if not an adult yet?  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. How many hours a day will the pet be left alone? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Are you willing to handle the housebreaking, chewing and high energy stages of puppies/kittens and/or behavior problems that can occur with this animal? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Are you aware of veterinary and food costs? Approximately how much do you anticipate it to cost each year? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Will the pet be primarily inside or outside? \_\_\_\_\_ If outside, explain the facility and provisions: \_\_\_\_\_

10. How will you keep this pet confined to your property? \_\_\_ Fence \_\_\_ Indoors only \_\_\_ Kennel \_\_\_ Fenced yard  
\_\_\_ Invisible fence \_\_\_ On a leash \_\_\_ Tied out

11. Does anyone in the family have allergies to animals? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

12. Do you have small children? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

13. What is your housing situation?  own  rent  farm  country home  
Landlord's name if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Are you familiar with state & city ordinance laws? (i.e. leash and license laws)  yes  no

15. All pets making the transition from foster care to a new home need time to adjust to a new family and may require housetraining and behavior training. Do you feel you know how to properly discipline an animal?  yes  no Are you willing to provide any necessary training? \_\_\_\_\_

16. Are you willing to commit yourself to caring for a pet for its entire life?  yes  no

17. Are you aware that a spay/neuter is mandatory for all animals adopted from the BHS?  yes  no

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Please return to the Borderland Humane Society via email at: [info@borderlandhumanesociety.org](mailto:info@borderlandhumanesociety.org)