



Thank you for applying for a Samoyed from MidAtlantic Samoyed Rescue!

INSTRUCTIONS

Revised November 2012 due to the overwhelming number of apps and dogs now in rescue.

Please complete all fields that apply to you and mail the application to the address at the bottom of the last page.

Important: *Do not return the form by email.* It adds one more step required to process your application. Use regular mail. If you send it electronically it will be processed after the others. We know this sounds old fashioned, but we don't have enough time to do it any other way. Thanks for understanding.

MidAtlantic Samoyed Rescue Adoption Application

Pet ownership is a serious commitment that the entire household needs to consider and agree to before the animal is adopted. We want to ensure that each adoptive household is aware of, willing and able to accept, the physical and financial responsibilities of pet ownership. Not everyone who desires to own a pet is ready to properly care for one. This questionnaire will assist both you and us in determining if your household is prepared to assume the role of responsible caretaker for a rescued animal. Thank you for filling it out!

Adopter's Name: _____

Other Adult(s) at Residence _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone numbers: Home: _____

Work: _____

Cell: _____

Email _____

Are you 21 years of age or older? _____ (proof may be requested)

Why are you considering adopting a dog?

Hunting

Companionship

Breeding

Protection

Where would the animal be primarily housed?

Inside

Outside

About equally inside and outside

Where would the animal stay when you are not home?

Loose inside

Crated or otherwise confined inside

Loose outside

Kennel run/fenced area outside

Tied/chained outside

Other (describe) _____

Are you in the military or military reserves? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, what will you do with the dog if your unit is called up or if you are transferred overseas?

Is there a particular dog of ours that you're interested in?

YES - what is the dog's name? _____

NO, - please note your preferences below so we can let you know when such an animal becomes available:

Type Purebred
 mixed breed
 no preference

Sex Male
 female
 either

Age range: _____

Animals can be expensive to care for (estimated average annual cost is \$750 for one dog). Are you willing and able to provide adequate food, shelter and medical care, including yearly checkups and vaccinations, for an adopted animal? _____

Family Considerations

Children:

Number of children living in the house: _____

Ages of the children _____

Do they live with you full time? _____

Do other children visit? _____

If yes, what are their ages? _____

How often do they visit? _____

Others in the home:

Does anyone in your household have allergies to animals? _____

If yes, to what kinds of animals? _____

Does your entire household know that you are considering adopting a pet? _____

If no, why not? _____

Residential Setting:

Household setting:

Rural Suburban Urban

Do you live in a:

Single family house

Apartment

Mobile home

Townhouse

Other _____

Home ownership:

Do you own your home

Do you rent your home

Renters: Please provide a copy of your lease agreement that says dogs are allowed, along with breed and size requirements. Please list landlord's name and telephone number:

Outdoors:

Describe your yard:

- fenced
- kennel run
- no fence
- other (describe)_____

If fenced or kennel run, describe material used:

- chain-link
- wood
- other (describe)_____

If fenced, height of fence and approximate size of fenced-in area _____

If fenced, number of gates:_____ Are the gates always securely latched and/or locked?_____

If not fenced, how will dog be allowed out to eliminate:

- Walked on leash
- Tied up outside
- Sent out into yard
- Other _____

If the animal is outside other than for supervised activities, describe what shelter would be available for it:

- Shed
- Doghouse
- Covered area (porch, etc.)
- Shade trees
- Other (explain)_____

Care of Animal/ Home Environment:

What problems would make you return an animal?

- barking
- housebreaking
- chewing
- jumping up
- shyness/other fears
- shedding
- digging
- scratching or climbing on furniture
- other (explain)_____
- None, I am committed to working with the animal to correct any of these and most other problems.

To help resolve problems, are you willing to

- use a crate
- take an obedience class
- both
- neither

Under what other possible circumstances would you return the animal:

- Move
- new baby
- divorce
- high cost of animal's care
- personal illness
- other (describe) _____
- none that I know of

Describe your home's activity level:

- Busy active/noisy;
- Moderate comings/goings
- Quiet occasional guests

Do you have a pool? _____ Is it separately fenced? _____

Do you feel that a pet should be spayed/neutered?

- Yes
- No. Explain _____

Approximately how many hours each day would the animal be left alone? _____

Please list all animals that you presently own (other than fish, rodents, and reptiles):

Type of Animal/Breed Time Owned Age Gender Neutered Vaccinated On Heartworm pills?

Who is responsible for care of the above daily? _____ when you are on vacation?

Name and telephone number of current veterinarian, if any:

Please list animals you previously owned (other than fish, rodents, or reptiles) and describe what happened to them:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____ 4) _____

Individuals who adopt a MidAtlantic Samoyed Rescue dog are contacted periodically for an update to help ensure that the animal successfully adjusts to its new life. If you adopt a MidAtlantic Samoyed Rescue dog, do you consent to home visits before and/or after adoption? _____

What is the best time to call you at home to check on how the adopted animal is adjusting? _____

If at any time an adopter cannot keep the animal, it must be returned to MidAtlantic Samoyed Rescue. If the animal is not spayed or neutered at adoption, the adopter is required to alter the animal and provide a veterinary certification of altering to MAS Rescue by the date specified in the adoption contract -- animals unaltered by the contractual date may be seized. In addition, each pet adoption is assessed a non-refundable tax-deductible donation, varying by animal to help pay veterinary/other expenses.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I completely read this questionnaire, comprehend it fully, know that applying does not ensure approval and that untruthful answers or failure to comply with the requirements of this application or the adoption contract can result in the forfeiture of any MidAtlantic Samoyed Rescue dog adopted by me.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Reviewed By: _____

Please MAIL this form to:

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