**SAFE Team Adoption Application:**

\*\*\*\*\*SAFE REQUIRES PHOTO’S OF YOUR HOME, PLEASE SEND THESE IN WITH THIS APPLICATION TO safeteamdirector@hotmail.com\*\*\*\*\*

We request a few photos of your main living quarters and yard where the animal will spend most of its time. This is to ensure the environment is safe.

If you have other pets please include photos to show they are healthy and happy!

**Please note: SAFE Team will keep all information confidential**

Date:

Animal(s) of interest:

First and Last name:

Are you over the age of 18:

Best number to reach you at:

Alternate phone number:

Emergency contact Name AND Number:

Email Address:

Home Address (include postal code):

Current Vet Clinic:

What type of home do you have? (Apartment, condo, townhouse, acreage, etc)

Do you own or rent?

Landlord Name and Contact Number (for renters):

If you plan on moving in the future what will you do with the animal?

Are you employed or attending school?

Has everyone in your household agreed to adopt an animal?

Why do you want to adopt this animal?

How long are you prepared to keep the animal(s) you are applying for?

If you have children, are they taught to handle animals correctly?

What type of supervision will your children have while with your new pet?

If you have children what are their ages?

Who will be the primary caretaker for the animal?

Do any family members suffer from allergies?

Have you considered both the short and long term financial responsibilities associated with having a pet including emergency costs?

How much are you comfortable spending on your pet yearly for medical and other required needs?

How much would you be willing to spend on emergency care if an accident occurred or illness arose?

**History of Ownership: ­­­­­­­­­­­­­**

Have you ever owned a pet?

Please describe your current pets (if applicable) (breed, age, gender, spayed/neutered, date & type of vaccines, submissive/dominant):

If your pet is no longer with you please explain the circumstances.

If you have current pets, do you feel confident that your current pet(s) will adjust well to a new pet in the home?

Do you have any experience training a dog(s)?

If yes, what type of training have you done? (eg. toilet, basic (sit, lay down etc.), kennel, leash etc.)

What was your biggest challenge when training?

How did you overcome this?

How do you plan to train your new pet?

Have you ever had to surrender an animal for any reason? If yes, please explain the circumstances and how long ago?

**Dogs:**

What type of personality are you looking for?(Calm, Submissive, Energetic, Active etc.)

What type(s) of activity do you plan to do with your new pet?

How often and for how long?

How much time do you plan on spending with your animal per day?

Do you have a plan in place to provide care for this animal in the event that you are permanently no longer able to? Please provide details:

Where will you keep your pet when you are home?(eg. outdoors, indoors, kennel, garage etc.) (please elaborate)

Where will you keep your pet when you are away from home? (eg. outdoors, indoors, kennel, garage etc.) (please elaborate)

Where will the animal sleep at night? (eg. outdoors, indoors, kennel, garage etc.) (please elaborate)

How large is your yard?

Under what circumstance(s) would the pet be outside?

While outside, would the pet be supervised?

What kind of yard fencing do you have? How tall is your fencing?

Are there any gaps where a pet could escape? (including the bottom of the fencing)

If you do not have a fence, how will you handle the pet's need to urinate/defecate/exercise? (please consider all seasons in your answer)

Do you have a dog house outside? If yes, is it insulated?

If you adopt a puppy under 6 months old will you spay/ neuter them?

**Training Questions**

*The following questions are not a test! There is no pass or fail. The responses to these questions will help us determine if the animal you have applied for is a suitable match, or if there is an animal we could better recommend. The responses will also give us an idea on what areas of education we need to focus on with each family.*

What level of dog training/education do you have?

What type of training are you interested in doing with this dog?

Has your dog(s) been to any professional training classes? If yes, please provide details of classes (date, school, trainer, type of training).

Will you be enrolling in a Basic Obedience course with your new puppy/dog? If yes, where do you plan on attending? If no, why not?

Do you know what kennel/crate training is? What are the benefits of kennel/crate training? What is your opinion of using a crate?

If your dog is digging holes in your backyard, what are the reasons for the digging and how would you correct it?

If your dog is barking along the fence-line at people and other dogs why is the dog barking and how would you correct it?

Your dog is pulling on the end of it's leash while on a walk. Why is the dog pulling and how do you correct it?

If your pet refuses to obey a command such as “get off the couch” or “come”, what will you do? Why is she/he not responding to the command?

Would you understand when your dog is making a request to you? List some examples of requests and how you respond:

If your dog comes up and nudges your hand, what is he/she doing? How should you respond?

If you return home, to find your pet has chewed your furniture, or urinated/defecated on the floor, what would you do? Why do you think this behavior has occurred and what would you do to eliminate this type of behavior?

Are you educated on different food choices? What foods should you avoid? What do you plan on feeding and how often?

Explain how you plan to socialize your dog/puppy:

**Additional Questions:**

Are you aware that there may be an adjustment period of a few days to a few months while the animal familiarizes itself with your home and family or other pets?

Are you aware of local animal control bylaws for the jurisdiction where you live?

How will you discipline your new pet for unacceptable behavior, and how long will the discipline last?

If the unacceptable behavior does not stop, what will you do?

What will you do with your pet if you go away on a holiday?

Sometimes people return their pet to SAFE Team if they cannot keep him/her (as required in our contract). Typical reasons included things like going back to school, birth of a child, change in residence, divorce, unable/unwilling to train the dog, moving. Under what circumstances would you give up this pet?

What would you do if you were not able to keep your pet?

If you were forced to find a new residence, what would you do with your pet?

Have you ever been charged or convicted of a criminal offence involving an animal?

Will you allow SAFE Team to do a minimum of 3 follow up visits on your new pet?

How did you hear about SAFE Team??

Do you have any questions or concerns to discuss at this time?

**Thank You for filling out our application to adopt, we will contact you shortly!**

**SAFE Team**