

Pre-Adoption Application

North American Dutch Shepherd Rescue

The Dutch Shepherd

The ownership of a Dutch Shepherd (DS), like any dog, is a serious responsibility that requires a long-term commitment. It is the goal of The North American Dutch Shepherd Rescue (NADSR) to be sure that this responsibility, as well as the financial and psychological needs of each dog, be met in its new home. This pre-adoption application has been designed to help prospective Dutch Shepherd adopters address the impact that adopting a rescued DS can have upon their home and the suitability of their home for a Dutch Shepherd. This form shall also aid NADSR in applicant evaluation.

Name (1): _____ Date: _____
Name (2): _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Email address: _____
Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____
Occupation(s): _____ Employer: _____
Occupation(s): _____ Employer: _____
Number of Adults in Household: _____ Number of Children in Household: _____
Please list gender and ages of children: _____
Who will be responsible for the care and training of the new DS? _____
Approximately how long would you expect your DS to be alone each day? _____
Do you live in a: Single family home Mobile Home Condominium Apartment
If you rent or lease, you must have written permission from your landlord. Please provide a copy of the rental or lease agreement with the pet clause and list your landlord's information:
Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Is your yard fenced? Yes No
If yes, note the approximate size of the fenced area, and height and type of fencing material:

If your yard is not fenced, would you fence all or part of it as a condition of adoption? Yes No
Are you willing and able to modify your daily schedule to accommodate a DS's needs, such as going outdoors into a fenced area or walking on a leash to perform bodily functions at least four times daily?..... Yes No

Are you aware of the importance of keeping a DS on leash or in a fenced area? ... Yes No

DS's placed by NADSR must reside in the house. They are not to live outdoors Yes No

regardless if you have a kennel or dog house or an attached run. They also cannot be chained or tied out. Do you agree to these conditions?

Is there a local ordinance in your area pertaining to owning/housing an animal (i.e. Yes No

leash laws, required vaccinations, dog licenses, etc.)?

Are you willing to keep a collar with a tag bearing your name, address, phone Yes No

number, etc. on your DS at all times?.....

If for any reason, you are unable to keep your DS, will you agree to return it to this Yes No

rescue organization?.....

Are you willing and able to accept full care, costs, and necessary burdens and Yes No

responsibility of owning a pet?.....

How many dogs have you owned in the past ten years? _____

Please list each dogs' breed, gender, name and age. (If you no longer own the dog, please note what became of it) _____

What other pets (if any) do you have? _____

Have you ever bred or raised dogs? Yes No

Have you ever participated in dog shows?..... Yes No

Have you ever trained a dog before?..... Yes No

If yes, what commands were taught? _____

Are you familiar with crate training?..... Yes No

If no, would you be willing to learn more about it and consider the use of a crate Yes No

(portable cage) as a training and transitional aid?.....

How would you describe your household activity level:

very quiet rather easy-going usually something going on lots of activity

Estimate number of times per month that adults visit your home: _____

Estimate number of times per month that children visit your home: _____

In addition to a regular life at home, would your DS:

Walk routinely with a family member?

Compete in obedience trials?

Go to obedience classes?

Go to your place of business with you?

Travel with you?

Be a playmate for your children or pets?

Compete in organized breed events?

Participate in continued training of some level?

Would you prefer a male or a female DS? Male Female No preference

Occasionally, a DS with special needs (physical restrictions or an unusual Yes No

personality or preferences) is available for adoption. Would you be interested in

being considered for such a "special" dog?.....

Please add any additional information or thoughts that you feel would help us to understand you and your home as potential DS owners. _____

Do you currently have a veterinarian? [] Yes [] No

If yes, please list your veterinarian's name, address, and phone number:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Please list two personal references that you have known for more than two years that are not relatives:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Alt Phone: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Alt Phone: _____

I understand that in order to complete processing of this application, a visit to my home may need to be scheduled by a representative of the program, and that by submitting this application, I agree to such a scheduled visit. I also agree that the rescue organization or parent breed club may contact the listed references or veterinarian for additional information. I authorize those listed to disclose any information (medical or otherwise) requested by the representative. I also certify that all information on this adoption application is true and correct.

Name

Date

Name

Date