

GREYHOUND CROSSROADS

ADOPTION & FOSTER HOME APPLICATION

This application is designed to help you think about the living requirements of retired greyhounds and decide if adoption is right for you. It may seem like a LOT of questions, but please take your time and really consider your answers. We take our responsibility to the dogs and future owners very seriously. We hope this application assists you in choosing GC as your group as much as it helps us guide you to the right dog. From all the members at GC, welcome to our world of greyhound companions!

ALL ABOUT YOU. . .

Name Date

Full Mailing Address, City, State, Zip

Street Address (if different)

Home Phone Cell Phone Work Phone

In case of a **true** emergency, please give us another way to reach you

Email Address that we can reliably use to contact you

How did you hear about our adoption and family support services?

Were you referred by or know a GC family that you'd like to use as a reference?

Do you have applications filed with any other groups? (we try to cooperate to find dogs)

Names of household members and their ages

Are there any other pets in your home or who visit frequently?

Why would you like to adopt a greyhound?

If you aren't adopting right away, please explain when you anticipate doing so and the reason for the delay so that we can help you plan accordingly.

Are you considering other breeds, or are convinced that a greyhound is for you?

Who would be the primary caregiver of your greyhound?

Have you ever owned a greyhound or volunteered with an adoption group in the past? Please tell us about your other greyhound (s).

Are all members of your household aware and agree about adopting a greyhound?

Are you willing to allow a representative of our organization to plan an informal Welcome Visit in your home prior to placement of the greyhound? Visits are always arranged at your convenience and are useful in helping you evaluate possible dangers or concerns.

How long will your greyhound usually be expected to remain alone each day? How does your job affect the time spent away from home?

How will you provide your greyhound with 'potty breaks' and exercise?

Do you have a fenced area-- what kind/ how big?

We will walk on a leash

Other-- please describe

Do you enjoy any activities or hobbies in which you hope to include your greyhound?

Do you have any situations in your home that your greyhound should become comfortable with (such as family members with acute illness or physical limitations, very young active children, etc)?

If you have any preferences as to age, color, or gender, please explain why these considerations would be important enough to guide your possible choices.

Have you already met or become interested in any of our dogs specifically?

GC highly recommends good reading research before adoption, including "Greyhounds for Dummies" and "Childproofing Your Dog" (so much so that we stock these for sale to our families). Have you done any reading or research to prepare for your greyhound?

Describe for us the personality of your absolute perfect greyhound.

Is there a personality trait or habit that you simply CANNOT accept in a dog?

Understanding that the final decision would always be yours (and will NOT affect your ability to adopt from GC), would you be willing to consider a greyhound that has special needs such as age, medical condition, shyness, or past injuries? These dogs are often the hardest to place and we always wish to offer them a chance with owners who consider giving them a forever home.

Greyhound Crossroads chooses to give personal time to each foster dog rather than using a kennel, and therefore has foster placements all over the state of SC. The best available choices for you might be a distance away but we feel that this foster time is invaluable and we encourage you to meet all the dogs you wish until you have chosen your companion. In order for us to help you choose the most appropriate choices, how far would you be willing to travel from home in order to meet and adopt your perfect greyhound faster?

What sort of expectations do you have in the way a greyhound will impact your life, family and home?

Do you have any other concerns you would like us to address? Please tell us if there is anything else about your home, family, lifestyle, or adoption needs that you'd like us to know.

THE LEGAL PART. . . .Please read carefully

In submitting this application, I am authorizing Greyhound Crossroads to investigate the answers given on this form. I understand that in the interest of making the best placements possible, they have the right to deny any application or ask for additional information but will NOT use this information for any other purpose in order to protect my privacy. I understand that this document will become a permanent part of my adoption application record for Greyhound Crossroads.

Signature

(In the case of an online application, please type your full name but be certain to sign the printed version before it's mailed)

Greyhound Crossroads would like to thank you for considering the adoption of a retired racing greyhound. Please feel welcome to call us at (864) 995-3112 or send an email to GreyCrazy@aol.com with any questions you may have while preparing this form.

Printed applications should be mailed to

Greyhound Crossroads, P.O. Box 6117, Chappells, SC 29037

Completed online applications should be emailed to

allyson@greyhoundcrossroads.com