

Adoption Criteria

In order to be considered for adoption, you must:

- Be 21 years old or older
- Live within 100 miles of Franklin, PA (zipcode: 16323)
- Have identification showing your current address
- Be able to provide us with a vet reference for any animal currently in your care or in your care within the past 10 years
- Have the knowledge and consent of your landlord if renting, or insurance company if owning (verification is done)
- Be able and willing to spend the time and money necessary to provide medical attention and proper care for your new pet
- Permit a home visit to your place of residence with all adults present
- Provide permission to contact references, veterinarians, and landlords to verify information

Depending upon other circumstances you may be required to provide:

- Proof that homeowner's insurance covers certain breeds if you are applying for a dog breed often deemed high risk for insurance
- A fenced backyard
- Commitment to enroll in obedience classes or provide special accommodations for special needs animals

Furthermore, by completing this application, I understand the following:

Precious Paws Animal Rescue (PPAR) reserves the right to refuse adoption or placement to anyone. Adoption approval or refusal decisions are made solely at the discretion of PPAR. Falsifying information on the application will result in disqualification from adoption.

PPAR will contact my references and validate all information in this application.

PPAR reserves the right to remove any animal adopted by us from adoptive home should the situation not be suitable for the animal or the living conditions change drastically from the time of adoption.

PPAR retains ownership of the animal and adoptive parents may NOT give away or sell the pet they have adopted. If they are unable to keep the animal, they must return it to PPAR.

ADOPTION APPLICATION

Pet # _____ Pet Name: _____

Precious Paws Animal Rescue		(814) 671-9827	
PO Box 784		AdoptPreciousPaws@gmail.com	
Franklin, PA 16323			
Are you interested in: Fostering Adopting Conditional Adoption Expires _____		Date: _____	
Name: _____			
Address _____		City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____		Work Phone _____	Cell Phone: _____
Email Address: _____		Driver's License # & State: _____	
Employer: _____			

Do you live in a House Apartment Mobile Home Own Rent
If you rent, please provide name/address of landlord so we can verify a pet deposit has been paid and that pets are allowed:
If you own, does your home owner's insurance have breed restrictions in your policy?
How long have you lived at your current address? Do you plan to move in the next 12 months? If so, are you prepared to take the pet with you?
Why do you want a pet?
Where will this pet be kept when you are not home? Outside Crated Inside Inside Loose
Have you owned a pet before?
Where is/are this/these animals (s) now? Please list all animals (dog/cat) owned in the past five years. If not currently owned, please detail why you no longer own the pet.
Under what circumstances would you no longer keep this pet?
Have you ever surrendered a pet to an animal shelter/ rescue program before? If so, please describe why.
Do you intend to obedience train your pet ? On your own With a Club/Trainer
What type of behavioral problems are you not willing to work with? (I.e. housetraining, aggression, chewing, barking, etc.)
Do you have children at home? Sex Ages
Is anyone in your household allergic to pets? Yes No Unknown
Do all of the adults in your household consent to the adoption of this pet?

Do you have other pets currently? Type Number
If you have other pets, are they current on vaccinations and on heartworm preventative?
Have all of the pets you have owned been spayed/neutered? If no, please explain why not.
Has any pet in your household ever been diagnosed with Heartworm Disease?
Has any pet in your household ever been diagnosed with Feline Leukemia, Feline Infectuous Peritonitis (FIP), or Feline AIDS?
Do your neighbors have livestock? How close to your home?
How do you envision a pet fitting into your home, schedule, indoor / outdoor, activities, exercise?
Is this pet going to be kept: Totally inside Mostly Inside Totally Outside Mostly outside
How long each day will the pet be alone?
Where will the pet sleep?
Who in the family will be primarily responsible for the daily care of the pet?
The clean-up? the training? the vet & food bills? the exercise?
Who would care for your pet if you had to be hospitalized?
What will you do with the pet when you go on vacation?
When you travel with the pet, where will it ride?
Where will the pet be when you are at home? When you are away?
Do you have a fenced yard? If so please describe size, height, type, location.
Do you have screens on all of your windows?
Have you ever used a crate in house training a puppy or dog? Do you intend to use a crate for house training this pet? Explain
Which veterinarian will you use? We will contact your veterinarian to ensure that your past/present pets are current on vaccinations. Name _____ Clinic Name _____ Address _____ Phone _____
What do you expect of your new pet? (housebroken, obedience trained, energetic, good with kids, etc.)
May I or a representative visit your home? What is the best time to visit?
Please describe any physical and/or character attributes which are of particular importance to you in the pet you are seeking at this time.
36). Please provide the names, addresses. and phone numbers of at least three references. Do not include members of your household or immediate family members. 1. 2. 3.

Precious Paws Animal Rescue does not sell animals, nor do we make a profit from placing animals. Our animals are taken from private owners, shelters, etc, given proper veterinary care, spayed/neutered, evaluated for temperament, and then placed in permanent adoptive homes. We ask a \$200 donation adoption fee for all our dogs and \$80 per cat to help defray the costs of medical care for the animals, which averages approximately \$250/dog and \$140/cat.

Precious Paws Animal Rescue reviews the suitability of all applicants and reserves the right to refuse adoption to any party at our discretion. Due to the difficulty in making home visits and transports, we do not adopt beyond a 100 mile radius from Franklin, PA without express written agreement.

Please read and initial each line below. This is a legally enforceable contract; please do not sign if you do not understand it. You may consult with your attorney if you wish before signing. Adoptions are not finalized until references have been checked and an adoption counselor has approved your application.

	<p>I agree to provide the pet daily food and fresh water, shelter from extreme temperature and weather conditions and veterinary care to prevent and treat disease, illness, and injury. I also agree to keep the pet free of parasites (worms, fleas) and will ensure that it is treated in a humane manner at all times.</p>
	<p>I understand that there is a monetary cost associated with pet ownership. In addition to routine vaccinations and screening tests, pets may need veterinary care for treatment of illness or injury. Other costs may include charges for pet registration and licenses, obedience training, pet deposits required by landlords, special devices or equipment, such as fences and dog houses for sheltering the animal, and damage to personal property. I attest that I am both financially able and willing to accept full responsibility for this pet.</p>
	<p>I will take the animal to a veterinarian within 30 days of adoption to establish medical care for my new pet. This includes purchasing heartworm preventative, flea control, booster vaccinations, and pet registration.</p>
	<p>I agree that all future medical treatments are my responsibility, unless PPAR has agreed to pay for them in this contract as indicate herein:</p>
	<p>Precious Paws does not necessarily know the nature of the animal or its characteristics, and gives no warranties, expressed or implied of the temperament or fitness. I confirm that I have been provided information on the pet’s current health status, noting any known pre-existing conditions. I understand that the pet is delivered “as is” and no additional liability for this pet, either financial or legal, is provided. I understand that the pet should be isolated for a period of time from my own pets, to the extent possible, in the event that it has been exposed to any type of illness.</p>
	<p>I understand that this pet has social and emotional needs, as well as physical ones. I am prepared and able to devote time and attention to the pet to meet those needs. If I am adopting a cat, I will keep indoors at all times. If I am adopting a dog, I will buy and use a crate if needed and/or advised. The dog will be primarily indoors, interacting with our family, not to be banished to the backyard. I will never tie my dog to a chain or leave him/her unattended for long periods of time. This is a companion animal, not a possession.</p>
	<p>If I decide, for any reason, that I cannot continue to care for the pet, I will notify Precious Paws immediately and arrange for the animal to be placed into the care of Precious Paws. I will not turn it over to an animal shelter, other rescue organization, person or have it destroyed.</p>
	<p>I relieve Precious Paws of all liability and responsibility for damage or injury to persons, property, or other animals caused directly or indirectly by the pet.</p>
	<p>I agree to keep a collar and identification on the pet at all times. If you use a wire crate, care should be used in leaving collars on for a crated animal. Training collars that can tighten on the neck should only be used during training sessions and should never be used when the dog is unsupervised.</p>

	I understand that it is the responsibility of the new owner to see that the animal complies with all health regulations and other applicable ordinances. This includes, but is not limited to, vaccinations to prevent rabies and local pet licensing laws. If you live in Pennsylvania, dogs are required to be licensed annually. Registration forms are available online at http://sites.state.pa.us/PA_Exec/Agriculture/bureaus/dog_law/dog_law_form.pdf http://sites.state.pa.us/PA_Exec/Agriculture/bureaus/dog_law/dog_law_form.pdf . In Venango County, payment should be mailed to Venango County Treasurer, Venango County Courthouse, PO Box 708/1174 Elk Street, Room 230, Franklin, PA 16323.
	I confirm that I am making a long term commitment to the ownership of this pet. Precious Paws has informed me of the animal's estimated current age, and I understand the life expectancy of the pet may exceed 20 years. I understand that changes in my life-style or family composition do not relieve me of my responsibility to the pet.
	I understand that children are not fully capable of caring for a pet and that primary responsibility of the pet rests on the adopter. I will provide appropriate supervision and instruction on proper handling of pets to children in my household.
	I confirm that I am adopting the pet as a personal companion, that it will reside at my primary residence and that I am not acquiring this pet solely for use as a guard animal.
	I agree that the adoption donation of \$_____ is NON-REFUNDABLE even if the animal is returned to Precious Paws, and that Precious Paws is adopting not selling this pet to me.
	I understand that failure to comply with any of the conditions of this agreement constitutes just cause for Precious Paws to revoke the adoption arrangement, and to remove said animal from my ownership and care, at which time full ownership of the pet will revert back to Precious Paws Animal Rescue.
	I agree to pay Precious Paws the sum of \$1000 as liquidated damages in the event the terms of this contract are breached. This liquidated damage value being agreed to for the purpose of establishing value of this pet and does not bar Precious Paws from seeking return of the pet by judicial process or other legal means. I agree to pay all court costs and attorney's fees incurred by Precious Paws if necessary to enforce this contract.

By signing below, I confirm that all information in this application is correct and complete and authorize my landlord and veterinarian to release information confirming this application for verification. Failure to provide accurate information will forfeit my adoption fee and revert ownership of this animal to Precious Paws Animal Rescue.

Adopter: _____ Date: _____

Precious Paws Adoption Counselor: _____

Return to: PPAR, PO Box 784, Franklin, PA 16323 or email AdoptPreciousPaws@gmail.com

<i>For Precious Paws Use Only:</i>	
Animal Number: _____	Animal's Name: _____
Dog/Cat/Other DOB: _____	Sex: M F
Color: _____	Breed/Description: _____

Follow-Up Information:

Follow-up performed by and date:
Follow-up Method: Phone In Person Email Postal Mail