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## Chain Free Beaufort Application

### Prospective Adopter / Foster Care Provider (circle one / both)

**Please Note: No pet may be adopted as a gift for another person.**

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

#### ABOUT YOU

1. YOUR Name \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR Age \_\_\_\_\_

2. Home Street address and Mailing address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

3. Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Telephone numbers: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

6. Employer \_\_\_\_\_

7. Driver license & State \_\_\_\_\_

8. Please list two personal references that we may contact:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name/ Relationship/ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

#### ABOUT YOUR HOME

9. How many TOTAL OTHER PEOPLE live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list their names, ages and relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

9. a. Is everyone in the household in favor of adopting or fostering a dog?  YES  NO

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9.b. Does anyone in the household have pet allergies? YES NO

10. Describe your home House Condo Apartment Other

Owner Renter Sub-let HOA member Co-op member Other

Front door opens to street Front door opens into courtyard or entryway

No Yard Unfenced Yard Partly Fenced Yard Completely fenced yard

FOR CONDO: Do HOA rules allow pets? \_\_\_\_\_

Any breed/size restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

FOR RENTALS: Please attach Landlord's written permission or applicable rental agreement page(s).

11. Describe your yard: Small Medium Large Size \_\_\_\_\_ feet by \_\_\_\_\_ feet

Surface (grass, stone, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Height of fence \_\_\_\_\_ feet - made of? wood chain link brick other

Number of gates \_\_\_\_\_ Gates have locks? YES NO

Gates open on street side? YES NO

12. Who has access to your yard, besides you (for example, gardener, pool cleaner, children, utility, roommates, people in other units, other dogs, other pets?)

## **ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH DOG(S)**

**If you currently have a dog:**

13. How did you come to have the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

14. How old was the dog when you first met? \_\_\_\_\_

How old is the dog now? \_\_\_\_\_

15. How many TOTAL OTHER PETS live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

For OTHER PETS, please answer the following for each pet:

Name	Gender	Breed-description	Age	Weight	Neutered	Y/N
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16. How would you describe your level of experience with dogs?

Never had a dog  Childhood pet  Had one or more dogs as an adult

Experience with dogs  less than 30 lbs.  30-60 lbs.  60+ lbs.

Experience with specific breeds

Dog-related business or profession

Foster or rescue experience – Name of organization

**GENERAL QUESTIONS (please answer all)**

17. How long have you been thinking about adopting or fostering a dog?

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18. What are your primary reasons for wanting to adopt or foster a dog?  Security  Companionship

For the children  As a gift for someone  Friend for current pet  Other

19. When was the last time you had a dog? \_\_\_\_\_

20. What breed was your dog? \_\_\_\_\_

20. Was he/she spayed or neutered?  YES  NO

21. What happened to the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

22. Have you ever had an animal that required a major surgery for an injury or illness?  YES  NO

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLANNING A PROSPECTIVE ADOPTION OR FOSTER CARE EXPERIENCE (please answer all)**

23. When you go on vacation, who will care for this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

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24. What kind of dog food will you feed this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

25. Do you have a regular Veterinarian? YES NO Can we contact your Veterinarian? YES NO

Vet Name & Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

26. Who will groom and bathe this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

27. What will you use for flea control & heartworm preventative? \_\_\_\_\_

28. Would this dog wear a collar? YES NO Sometimes-WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

29. Would your dog walk off leash? YES NO Sometimes-WHEN? \_\_\_\_\_

30. What would happen to this dog if you had to move?

31. What is the longest this dog would be left alone each day? \_\_\_\_\_

32. Where will this dog spend its days? (inside, outside, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

33. Where will this dog sleep? \_\_\_\_\_

34. Who will be ultimately responsible for this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

35. If you have children, please describe their previous experience with dogs: \_\_\_\_\_

36. How will this dog get exercise? \_\_\_\_\_

37. How will you discipline this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

38. Will you plan to obedience train the dog? YES NO Obedience classes  1-to-1 Training

Videos/Books Seek help if problem arises Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**FOSTER AND ADOPTED DOGS – WONDERFUL BUT LESS THAN PERFECT (please answer all)**

39. WHAT WOULD CAUSE YOU TO REACH YOUR LIMIT OR WANT TO RETURN THIS DOG?

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

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- Hair on your furniture/Shedding    Stains on rugs    Animal on the bed    Illness    Humping
- Aggression towards other dogs    Barkiness    Shy with people    Biting    Escaping
- Other pets don't like the dog    Jumping up    Poor watchdog    Worms    Digging
- Housetraining challenges    Growling at guests    Needs grooming    Chewing    Vet bills
- Not a good dog park dog    Shy with dogs    Food allergies    Fleas    Ticks
- Aggressive on leash    Carsickness    Allergies    Marriage    Divorce
- Doggie destruction OF WHAT \_\_\_\_\_    Moving    New Child
- Spouse/partner does not like dog    My financial problems
- OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

None of these LISTED THINGS    NOTHING. I will FOSTER the dog until adopted.

NOTHING. I will keep the dog until s/he is no longer alive, or I am, whichever comes first.

**PLANNING FOR INVESTMENTS OF MONEY AND TIME (please answer all)**

40. Dogs require investment of time and money. Can you afford to provide medical care, grooming, proper diet, shelter and exercise for this dog?    YES    NO    LIMITS:

41. Are you able to make a long-term commitment to care for this dog?    YES    NO

LIMITS: \_\_\_\_\_

42. If a behavioral challenge arises, will you seek help from the trainer we recommend?    YES    NO

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43. Would you consult and pay for a trainer or behaviorist if challenges develop?  YES  NO

44. How did you find out about our Rescue? \_\_\_\_\_

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**45. PLEASE INITIAL ALL SECTIONS BELOW. YOU ARE WELCOME TO ASK QUESTIONS!**

I agree to the following terms (please READ and INITIAL each item)

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree under no circumstance will this animal or any other in my possession be chained or tethered for any period of time. This doesn't refer to walking the dog on a leash.

\_\_\_\_\_ I promise that no animal will live outside in a kennel or be restricted in my home but will be part of my family and enjoy activity both indoors and outdoors.

\_\_\_\_\_ If a dog must be kenneled outside while I am not at home, I will provide adequate space for exercise and will provide protection from the sun, rain, heat and cold by providing a dog house, canopy or roofed area, wading pool, fan or heater and an adequate supply of fresh water.

\_\_\_\_\_ If my adopted dog is aggressive with other dogs I will not allow it to fight with other animals or run free to play with other animals in a dog park or any other similar public place. If the dog shows signs of human aggression I promise to notify Chain Free Beaufort and take whatever action necessary to correct behavior including training.

\_\_\_\_\_ If adopting a Pit Bull Terrier or mix, I will never leave the dog outside unattended. If the dog must be housed outside, it will not be chained, tethered and I will provide adequate space for exercise and will provide protection from the sun, rain, heat and cold by providing a dog house, canopy or roofed area, wading pool, fan or heater and an adequate supply of fresh water. Due to the high threat of theft of this breed the enclosure will be securely locked.

\_\_\_\_\_ If adopting a Pit Bull Terrier or mix, I understand I must foster the dog for 6 months before final adoption can be completed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will provide regular veterinary care by a licensed vet for this animal including heartworm

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prevention, flea and tick control, yearly annual exams and boosters as well as emergency care.

\_\_\_\_ Upon adoption of this companion animal, if it is not spayed or neutered due to age, it is agreed that the animal be altered before it reaches sexual maturity or 6 months of age at the expense of Chain Free Beaufort.

\_\_\_\_ I agree to obey all local, county and state animal ordinances.

\_\_\_\_ I agree and understand that there is a mandatory minimum 24 hour holding period on all dog adoptions.

\_\_\_\_ I promise to notify Chain Free Beaufort of any change in my address or telephone number, and to notify them of any major illness, loss or death of the animal.

\_\_\_\_ I understand that **Chain Free Beaufort Rescue** is an all-volunteer non-profit South Carolina 501c3 charitable organization.

\_\_\_\_ I understand that food, leashes, collars, crates, transportation expenses, and other expenses, are necessary to carry out the care of dogs while in foster care.

\_\_\_\_ I understand that an adoption donation is necessary to help offset costs incurred to rescue and care for each dog.

**NOW COMES THE FUN PART!**

46. Please describe your dream dog.

Please include any preferences regarding gender, personality type, energy level, fur, age, expectations of dog behavior, and anything else you think will help us match you with your dream dog.

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***I certify that the information provided is true. I understand and agree that this adoption placement is conducted solely for the purpose of providing long – term care for the adopted animal(s), and that Chain Free Beaufort does not convey irrevocable ownership to the adopter. I understand that I cannot sell, transfer,***

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***trade, giveaway, or lease the adopted animal(s) to any person or organization without first notifying Chain Free Beaufort, and that I am legally obligated to return the animal(s) to Chain Free Beaufort if such transfer is not approved.***

***Should a representative of Chain Free Beaufort ask to see the animal(s), reasonable access will be granted. If it is determined that the animal(s) is not properly cared for, the animal(s) may be reclaimed by Chain Free Beaufort. Further, I agree to pay any reasonable expenses including legal fees that may be incurred by Chain Free Beaufort in the event that the adopted animal(s) placed into my custody are reclaimed by Chain Free Beaufort. This application remains the property of Chain Free Beaufort.***

I understand that I am adopting an animal that has a history of being chained and tethered. Chain Free Beaufort has explained in detail the behavioral issues that are associated with chaining and tethering. I understand these issues completely and take full responsibility by signing this adoption agreement and contract.

*Important Notice: Chain Free Beaufort makes no guarantees in reference to the health and/or temperament of the dog/cat. The dog/cat is adopted "AS IS" and the adopter assumes responsibility for the treatment of and all existing conditions or any other conditions of physical or temperament changes that may occur. While the rescuer makes every effort to place only healthy animals, the rescuer cannot guarantee the health of any animal. The rescuer shall not be held responsible for any medical expenses which may be incurred, hereby expressly excluding any implied or express warranties, merchantability, or fitness for any particular purpose, including without limitation and warranties regarding health, temperament or whether the animal is housetrained. Any liability for dog/cat bites will be yours once as soon as guardianship of the dog/cat is transferred to you. Chain Free Beaufort will not be held liable for any dog/cat bite incidents after adoption. Chain Free Beaufort does not refund donations if the dog/cat is returned after 30 days. If Chain Free Beaufort agrees you may choose another dog if you*

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*feel there's one better suited to your home and needs. This is a legally binding contract.*

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Witness Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for your interest in Chain Free Beaufort!**

Please email this form to: [kim@chainfreebeaufort.org](mailto:kim@chainfreebeaufort.org) or [kelli@chainfreebeaufort.org](mailto:kelli@chainfreebeaufort.org)

Learn more at our website <http://www.chainfreebeaufort.org>

Mailing Address and Contact information: Post Office Box 2496 Beaufort, S.C. 29901 843-812-6574

Adoption Facilitator Only:  
Comments:

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**Adoption Outlet:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name of Animal** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dog/ Puppy**

**Adoption Fee: Dog \$125 Special Fee** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cash** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Adopted Animal:**

\_\_\_\_\_

Adoption: Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Declined \_\_\_\_\_ 6 Month Foster \_\_\_\_\_

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Adoption Facilitator and Date