



Foster Application

1. Please be thorough and complete in your responses on this application. Answer all questions. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact info@twentypawsrescue.com .
2. We will call your vet, references, and landlord. Thus, please notify them and consent to them releasing information to Twenty Paws Rescue.
3. In order to become an approved foster, you must agree to a home visit by a Twenty Paws representative. The visit will be scheduled ahead of time. We are not trying to be nosey buttinskis; we just want to ensure our rescues are going into a safe and loving home.
4. There is no telling how long you will be a foster since the pet will be in your care until a wonderful home is found and they are adopted. Hence, fostering can last days, weeks, or months. This is a commitment. Though, we strive to find them strong adoptive homes as quickly as we can. In order for this to happen, you need to be flexible about introducing potential adopters with the foster. We will do our best not to inconvenience you.
5. Given the above point, fostering is also a monetary commitment. Twenty Paws will pay for routine appointments such as spay/neuter and vaccinations and the initial exam to make sure the dog is healthy immediately after the shelter. However other vet appointments, such as if they indulged in a guilty pleasure (i.e. eating chocolate or anything else they could get their paws on) are your responsibility. Thus, please ensure that you are financially able and prepared to pay for the animal's food, toys, and potential veterinary needs. We will do our best to offset any costs for you; however, we are still a very new rescue with highly limited funds.
6. **YOU MUST TAKE THE PET TO THE VET FOR A CHECK UP WITHIN THE FIRST WEEK THEY ARRIVE!** This means getting basic blood work done showing they are negative for worms, and are in treatment of any existing medical conditions (i.e. kennel cough). Please contact us for more information. We want to protect your pets from getting the sniffles or anything else (knock on wood).
7. Please give the pet at least 2 weeks to acclimate to your home. As you can imagine, they have been through a lot and need time to decompress. On average, it takes 2 weeks to get to know the dog/cat. If you experience any concerning behaviors, contact us immediately.
8. Find out if all members of your household/family are in agreement about fostering a cat/dog. If they are, GREAT! If not, please consult us and consider if fostering is right for you.
9. If you decide you cannot imagine your life without your foster, WONDERFUL! We will work with you to make a seamless adoption for your potential new best friend. Just contact us!
10. Fosters must sign the application and agree to the conditions in order to be approved.
11. Please save the completed application as a .doc or .pdf file. Then, e-mail the application as an attachment to info@twentypawsrescue.com. If you experience difficulty attaching the file, please try copying and pasting it into your email directly.
12. Once you complete and submit the application, it is subject to approval. Twenty Paws Rescue will notify you as to whether or not your application was approved.

Although, there will not be an exam on these 12 points, it is imperative that you understand them and the commitment fostering a dog/cat requires. Please initial here once you have read and agreed to these terms.



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Date: _____

<u>Foster's Full Name</u>	_____
<u>Resident Address</u>	_____
<u>Mailing Address (if different from above)</u>	_____
<u>E-mail</u>	_____
<u>Home Phone</u>	_____
<u>Cell Phone</u>	_____
<u>Work Phone</u>	_____

How did you hear about our rescue?

Part 1: Your potential new companion

1. What are your most and least favorite things about having a dog or cat (or both)?

2. If you are still searching for your new best friend, please tell us who you are looking for. Think of this as a dating site and be as specific as possible as to what you would like your potential 4-legged new companion to be like. We cannot promise we can find you a companion for the opera or high school reunion, but we can find you one that you can brag to your friends about! Some things to consider are gender, age, personality, size/weight range, breed, and hair/fur type. If there are qualities you are sure you definitely do NOT want, please list those as well.

3. If you are interested in a specific dog or cat, please tell us which one and why.

4. Who will be responsible for the dog or cat? Are you fostering for yourself?

Part 2: Personal Information

1. How old are you? If you are appalled by this question, then are you over 21 years of age?



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2. Is your home phone listed in your name? If not, then in who's name and what is their relation to you.

3. Are you fostering a dog or cat for your home, business, or for someone else?

4. Please list **ALL** Persons living in your household. Include their names, ages, relationship to you, and if allergic to dogs/cats. Also, please state if all members are in agreement with fostering the dog/cat.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Relation to Foster</u>	<u>Pet Allergies?</u>	<u>In Agreement?</u>

5. Please describe your home. (I.e. studio, home, apartment, 2 bedroom, townhouse, farm, etc.)

6. How long have you lived at your current address?

7. Do you own, rent, sublet, co-op?

8. Please list your landlord or housing management.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Address: _____

9. Does your building allow pets? Are there any special regulations on having a dog, cat, animal with paws and claws?

10. Do you have a backyard?

a. If yes, is it fenced in? If so, how tall is the fence?

b. If not, how will the dog get exercise and go outside?

11. Who will take care of your foster if you are away? (Vacation, etc.)



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12. What is your place of employment and how long have you worked there? (Please list employer's address and phone number)

a. If you are unemployed at the moment, how do you plan to financially afford to foster?

13. How active are you and do you plan to be with your new foster?

Part 3: Current and Past Pet Experience

14. Do you currently have any pets living with you (or allowing you to live with them)?

15. If yes, please complete the chart below.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Fixed?</u>	<u>Last Vet Check-up</u>	<u>Dog friendly?</u>	<u>Cat Friendly?</u>

16. Have you ever had a pet (dog or cat) before? If no longer with you, please explain. If they passed away, please list how and date of death. If you feel this question will result in a novel, please list your 2 most recent cases.

17. Have you ever taken a pet to a shelter? If yes, please explain when and why.

18. Are you financially able to care for a foster in sickness and in health?

19. Will you take the foster to the veterinarian for routine exams and if it is ill?

20. Please list your local veterinarian. (If you don't have a current one, please list the last veterinarian you used. If you have neither a current nor past vet, would you like us to suggest a veterinarian in your area?)



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21. What kind of food will you feed the foster cat/dog? (if unsure please ask your vet, or, if you would like, we can provide you with some recommendations)

22. On average, how many hours per day will the foster be home alone?

23. Where will your new foster be during the day? At night? When you are and are not home?

24. How often will you walk your foster dog?

25. Other than the people you listed living in your home, who else will be spending time with your new foster?

26. What type of training do you plan to give your foster dog/cat/pet? If needed, are you willing to hire a professional trainer?

27. If we could help with training, would you be interested in our assistance and recommendations?

28. Do you consent to a home visit? One will be performed before the foster arrives and a second will be conducted about a month after.

29. If you became ill, disabled, or died (knock on wood), who will take responsibility and care for your foster? Please provide a name, relation, address, and phone number.

Name: _____ Relation: _____ Address: _____ Phone: _____

Part 4: Finally almost done! References and Certification

30. Please list 2 non-family members as references.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Relation</u>	<u>Best time to contact</u>



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31. Please write your name below if you agree with the following statement:

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. By completing this application I am aware that I am not guaranteed the foster dog or cat I am applying for. Fostering is contingent on the Twenty Paws Rescue's approval. Furthermore, I consent to the 12 points stated at the beginning of the application.

Name: _____

Date: _____