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### Animal Adoption Questionnaire

Please bring this completed form when visiting the shelter or email it to [adoption@specialpalsshelter.org](mailto:adoption@specialpalsshelter.org).

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Driver License # \_\_\_\_\_ Name of animal interested in \_\_\_\_\_

Currently employed?  Yes  No Name of Employer/Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be the person financially responsible for this animal?  Yes  No

**Thank you for considering the adoption of a shelter animal! Before you decide to adopt, please consider the time, effort and funds necessary to provide proper care of an animal. Responsible pet ownership requires a commitment to provide care and companionship for the life of the animal. The decision to adopt a pet is an important one. In order to ensure that you and your pet will be happy for years to come, please take a few moments to carefully read and complete this application. Your answers are very important.**

Have you adopted from Special Pals Shelter before?  Yes  No If yes, which animal? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you still have the animal?  Yes  No If no, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently live in a  House  Apartment  Condo  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently  Own  Rent  Lease

How long have you lived at your current residence?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**If you are not the property owner, Special Pals, Inc. must verify the property owner's current pet policy.**

Landlord's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

How many adults live in your home? \_\_\_\_\_ Children? \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone in your household have allergies?  Yes  No

Who will be primarily caregiver of this animal? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this animal a gift?  Yes  No If yes, for whom? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your reason(s) for wanting to adopt this animal. (Ex: jogging buddy, couch warmer, companion, etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_

How many hours will the animal be alone each day? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the animal be kept when no one is home? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the animal be kept at night? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a fenced yard?  Yes  No Height of fence \_\_\_\_\_ Type of fence \_\_\_\_\_

If you have other pets in the home: Vaccinations current?  Yes  No Currently licensed?  Yes  No

Do you have a regular veterinarian?  Yes  No Vet's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Under what circumstances would you **not** keep this animal? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list all of the pets you have had in the last 10 years, including current pets, and those you no longer own.

Species	Breed	Age	Sex	Altered	Owned how long?	Still own? If no, why not?
			M / F	Y / N		
			M / F	Y / N		
			M / F	Y / N		
			M / F	Y / N		
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I prefer animals that are:     Small                     Large                     Any Size

Please describe the temperament and activity level you are looking for in a pet. Check all that apply:  
 High Energy     Outdoorsy     Lap Animal     Mellow     Affectionate     Quiet     Guard Dog

I prefer an animal that: (Check all that apply)  
 Loves children and strangers     Tolerates children and strangers     Loves other animals  
 Tolerates other animals                     I have no preference if the animal gets along well with other animals

When it comes to relating to animals, I tend to be more:  
 Strict and demanding (the animal must work for treats)  
 Moderate (encourage good behavior, ignoring bad)  
 Lenient (the animal looks cute, so he/she gets the reward even without good behavior)

Is anyone living in your home nervous around or unsure of animals?  
 Very (e.g. bitten as a child)                     Moderately                     Some (no experience with animals)  N/A

The noise/activity level in my home is usually:  High     Medium     Low

I would enjoy brushing or grooming my animal:  Rarely     Occasionally     Daily     Weekly     Monthly

My ideal animal would: \_\_\_\_\_

Bad animal habits I can't tolerate include: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the above information is true and correct. I understand that false information will deny this adoption immediately. By signing this application, I understand and have been notified that Special Pals, Inc. reserves the right to deny or refuse any application without dispute or conflict. I understand that Special Pals, Inc. reserves the right to inspect my home prior to approving the application. I agree to release any/all of my pets' previous and current veterinary records to Special Pals, Inc.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by (SP Staff) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approved / Denied (list reason) on (date) & by (initials):  
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**Notes, attempts to contact, and Vet / Medical history verification (STAFF USE ONLY: INITIAL AND DATE NOTES):**  
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