

**ADOPTION APPLICATION**      Date \_\_\_\_\_

First & Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell or Landline? \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell or Landline? \_\_\_\_\_

Other Adults in home? Yes/No    Names and relationship \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Children? Yes/No    Ages \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about GPA-NW? \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for adopting \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live in a – House/Apartment/Condo/Other? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent/lease? \_\_\_\_\_ If you rent/lease YOU MUST have written permission from your landlord before adopting.

Do you have a COMPLETELY and SECURELY fenced yard?    Yes/No

If so, describe the height and fencing material \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you commit to walking your dog?    Yes/No

Are there any other pets in the home? Yes/No Describe other pets: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Previous Pets? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What Kind of Personality do you prefer in a dog? (for example: Playful, laidback, friendly, low-energy, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently have a Veterinarian?    Yes/No

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

Familiar with Greyhounds? Yes/No      Would your Vet give you a reference?    Yes/No

Have you every trained a dog?    Yes/No

If yes, what type of training? \_\_\_\_\_

Rate your dog experience from 1 to 5 (1=Not very dog knowledgeable, 5=Extremely experienced)

1      2      3      4      5

Describe the role a Greyhound will play in your life. \_\_\_\_\_

Are all members of the household in total agreement with adopting a Greyhound? Yes/No

Do you understand the ongoing expense of owning a dog? (Veterinary care, supplies and equipment, food, grooming, etc.) Yes/No

Which person in your household will be responsible for the care and training of your Greyhound?

How many hours per day will your Greyhound be home alone, with or without other pets?

Where will your Greyhound be when you are out of the house? \_\_\_\_\_

What will you do with your Greyhound when you travel/vacation? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will your Greyhound sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you understand and accept that Greyhounds must always be on leash or in a fenced area? Yes/No

Do you understand that Greyhounds are indoor dogs? Yes/No

Do you understand what "pack mentality" is as it refers to Greyhounds? Yes/No

Does your family anticipate any major lifestyle changes in the next year such as retirement, extended travel, new baby, moving, new job, or schedule change? Yes/No

If yes, please describe. \_\_\_\_\_

What would you consider a valid reason for giving up a pet? (Barking, Chewing, Digging, Moving, Home remodeling, Biting, Destructive behavior, Fleas, Having a baby, Too expensive, Unable to housetrain, Other)

What would you do with your Greyhound if you suddenly had to move from your home?

Are you willing to sign a contract promising to care for your Greyhound for the rest of his or her life? Yes/No

**GPA Northwest sometimes has older Greyhounds (6 and up) needing homes. Would you consider adopting one? Yes/No**

**GPA Northwest sometimes has Greyhounds with special medical or other needs needing homes. Would you consider adopting one? Yes/No**

**YOU AND GPA**

**In addition to adopting a loving friend, adoptive families also become part of the GPA-NW family. GPA participates in many events throughout the year to increase public awareness about Greyhounds and find them life homes. Would you like to be invited to GPA-NW events? Yes/No**

**Would you be interested in volunteering with GPA-NW in our efforts to promote the welfare and adoption of Greyhounds (placement representative, public appearances, fostering, fundraising, etc.) Yes/No**

**GPA-NW is also always on the lookout for members with skills to help us with events and activities throughout the year. What kinds of personal/professional skills might you be willing to offer? Animal First Aid, Veterinarian, Grant Writing, Time/Energy, Event Planning, Media Experience, Financial/Accounting, Computer, Website, Foster Home, Other (please describe)**

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**Any other comments or questions?**

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**PLEASE READ THIS BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION FORM**

**As an all-volunteer organization, one of our most limited resources is time. We do not have paid staff to process adoption applications and rely on our hard-working volunteers to process applications, make home visits and complete adoptions. This process takes several hours for each application.**

**Because not every application leads to an adoption, we process several applications for each adoption that is completed. Sometimes a Greyhound is not the right dog for an adopter, other times an adopter may change their mind or adopt from another group that also provides Greyhounds. When our volunteers spend time on an application that does not result in an adoption, it delays others from getting their Greyhound and limits the number of successful adoptions we can provide. Since our goal is to match Greyhounds with adopters, we take as much time as necessary to find the right dog for each adopter. This can take time but the result is a Greyhound that is just the right fit for your home.**

**An application deposit of \$100.00 is required with your application submission. If your application is approved, this deposit will be applied toward the adoption fee at the time of adoption. If your application is declined by GPA Northwest your deposit will be refunded to you. You will only lose your deposit if you change your mind, for any reason, about adopting from GPA Northwest after you have submitted your application. The funds collected are charitable contributions that will enable GPA Northwest to continue our work and help Greyhounds. If you have questions or do not understand this policy, contact our Adoption Information coordinator by using our email contact form on the website, or call us at 503-784-1285.**