

RACE THE WIND GREYHOUND ADOPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

Greyhound ownership is a serious responsibility and a lifetime commitment. This questionnaire has been designed to aid both you and Race the Wind in deciding if you and your family are ready for this responsibility and commitment. Please answer each item completely, honestly and truthfully. Add another sheet if necessary.

Today's date _____

Adult #1 _____ **Adult #2** _____

Age category: 21-25 () 26-35 () 36-45 () 46-55 () 56+ ()

Address, city, state, zip _____

Home phone _____ **e-mail address** _____

Employer _____ **Employer** _____

Work phone _____ **Work phone** _____

Names, ages & sex of children at home _____

(If under age 5, adoption may be discouraged until a later date)

Other occupants of your home _____

What other pets do you have? (breed, age, sex, personality) _____

An essential element of responsible pet ownership is spaying or neutering, unless you are a recognized breeder or there is some medical condition that prohibits this. Are your current pets spayed or neutered? _____

If not, please explain. _____

An equally essential element of responsible ownership is the reality that your greyhound may be with you for 12-14 years. Are you prepared to assume responsibility for that long? This also infers that you will be responsible for all medical needs, whether they be on a short-term or long-term basis. Are you willing to do this? _____

How did you hear about Race the Wind?

Have you owned a greyhound before? If so, where was it obtained?

If you are a previous greyhound owner, what became of the dog?

If you have not had a greyhound before, please briefly describe what, if any, research you have done on this breed, such as talking to owners, reading books (give titles, if possible), internet research (list sources/sites, if possible), television (list programs, if possible).

Why are you considering a greyhound for a pet?

How long have you considered this decision?

Are the *adult* members of the household in agreement with this adoption? Yes () No ()

Assess the activity level of your household? Quiet ____ Moderately active ____ Active ____

What characteristics do you desire in a greyhound? (sex, age, color, size)

Occasionally, a greyhound with special needs (senior citizen, physical restrictions or unusual personality) is available for adoption. Would you be interested in being considered for such a "special" dog? _____

Where do you live? House () Mobile Home () Apartment () Condo ()

How long have you lived there? _____

If an apartment, condo, homeowners association or mobile home park is involved, do you have permission for a dog over 50 pounds? Yes () No ()

Do you: Own () Rent ()

(We will need a copy of your lease, or written permission from your landlord to have a large dog if you rent.)

Do you have a COMPLETELY fenced yard? Yes () No () This is mandatory. For the safety of the dogs, no exceptions can be made. Invisible fences do not qualify.

Please describe the approximate size of the yard, as well as the type & height of fencing.

How many hours would the dog be alone each day? _____

Greyhounds are strictly indoor dogs; they are not a “yard” dog. Do you agree to keep your dog inside at all times, except for occasional trips outside for exercise and relief?

Do you understand why a greyhound must *never* be allowed off leash except in a *securely* fenced area?

Greyhounds have lived their adult lives in a kennel crate. Crates are not cruel; they were the dog’s home and safe haven while it resided at the track and kennel. For this reason, we recommend that you consider crating while you are gone, at least during the initial adjustment.

Do you own or have access to a dog crate? _____

If not, will you obtain one? _____

Are you willing to crate or cage the dog when it is alone? _____

What resting/sleeping quarters are available for the dog? _____

How many pets have you owned in the last 10 years? Please list each pet’s name, breed, sex and age. If you no longer own the pet, please explain why. _____

Have you ever had to return or give up a pet for reasons other than death? If yes, please explain in detail. _____

What would constitute a reason to return an adopted animal? _____

If your lifestyle or environment changes, will you take the steps necessary to keep your greyhound? _____

What other breeds of dogs have you owned? _____

How was the dog(s) obtained? _____

What were the ages when obtained? _____

What become of the dog(s)? _____

Have you ever bred or raised dogs? _____

Have you ever trained a dog? _____

If so, how and what commands? _____

Do you know the laws and covenants regarding dogs in your area? _____

Where would you obtain your dog license? _____

Are dogs required to be vaccinated against rabies? _____

Please give your veterinarian's name, address and phone number.

Please add any additional information or thoughts that you feel would help us to understand you as a potential greyhound owner.

Please list two personal references that you have known for more than two year. If you do not have a vet, list three references (use back side if necessary). At least one of your references should be a neighbor. References cannot be family members.

Name: _____ Name: _____

Street: _____ Street: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

I/we understand that in order to complete processing of this application, a visit to my/our home may be scheduled by a Race The Wind representative to assist in matching the needs of a greyhound with the needs of my/our household. By submitting this application, I/we agree to such a visit and confirm that all family members will attend the home visit, if at all possible. I/we certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct, and understand that my/our signature(s) on this application constitutes agreement to a legal and binding contract.

Signature: _____ Date _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

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