

**Cape May County Animal Shelter & Adoption Center**

**Application for Adoption**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt# \_\_\_\_\_ Cat/Dog Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Animal ID# : \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Attendant: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Why did you choose this particular pet? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Why do you want a pet? (circle one) *House Pet Guard dog Mouser Companion Gift Company for other pet Other*

3. Is this your first experience with a pet? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

4. What pets do you **currently** have in your household? (USE BACK OF PAGE TO CONTINUE IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)

	Type	Altered	Where Kept?	Age
NAME _____ BREED _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Dog <input type="checkbox"/> Cat	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> In <input type="checkbox"/> Out	_____
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5. Pets owned in the **past** five years other than those listed above. (USE BACK OF PAGE TO CONTINUE IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)

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6. Have you adopted from us in the past?  Yes  No

7. Have you ever surrendered a pet?  Yes  No If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Who is your current Veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

(Please list all vets used for above pets on back)

9. May we have permission to contact your veterinarian?  Yes  No Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Do you live in a  House  Apartment  Condo  Mobile Home  Duplex  Other

11. Do you..  Own your home  Rent  Live with Parents  Other

12. If you rent, does your lease allow pets?  Yes  No

13. If you rent what is your landlords Name? \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Could we visit your home?  Yes  No

15. How long have you lived at this address? \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ months

16 How many people live in your home? Adults? \_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_ Children? \_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_

17. How would you describe your home?  Active  Noisy  Quiet  Average

18. Anything we should know about the people who live in your home? (ie: *grandmom uses a walker, fearful children etc*)  
\_\_\_\_\_

19. If you live alone, who would care for this pet in the event of a serious illness? \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

20. Do you or anyone living in your household have any known allergies to animals?  Yes  No

If Yes, Who and what kind(s) of animals and how severe is the allergy? \_\_\_\_\_

21. Who will be responsible for the care of this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

22. Are you aware that your pet may need to be groomed every 6-8 weeks?  Yes  No

23. Have you ever used a Pet sitter?  Yes  No If yes, who \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

23. Where will this pet be kept during the **Day**? \_\_\_\_\_ **Night** \_\_\_\_\_

24. How many hours a day will the pet be alone? \_\_\_\_ Where will pet be kept while alone? \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*How did you hear about our adoption service? \_\_\_\_\_

### **DOG ADOPTIONS ONLY**

25. Are you familiar with this breed(s)?  Yes  No If yes, how? \_\_\_\_\_

26. Do you have a fenced in yard?  Yes  No If yes, how high? \_\_\_\_\_

27. Do you realize that you may have to housetrain your new dog?  Yes  No

28. Are you familiar with the leash and licensing laws in your community?  Yes  No

29. What will you do if your dog chews furniture or shows other destructive behavior?  
\_\_\_\_\_

30. Are you familiar with Crating and what are your feelings about it?  
\_\_\_\_\_

31. Do you plan on taking your dog to obedience training classes?  Yes  No

32. Are you familiar with heartworm disease?  Yes  No

33. How will you keep your dog confined to your property? (check all that apply)

In house  Crate  Fenced yard  On Chain  Garage  Patio  On Leash  Dog House

### **CAT ADOPTIONS ONLY:**

34. Will your new cat be allowed to go outside?  Yes  No If yes, under what circumstances? \_\_\_\_\_

35. Have you declawed any cats in the past?  Yes  No If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

36. Do you plan on having this cat declawed?  Yes  No

37. What will you do if your cat claws the furniture or shows other destructive behavior? \_

**Please read carefully....**

In an effort to assure the best possible pet adoption, we ask that you take your time and complete this application fully. An unwise adoption can result in an unpleasant experience for the pet and the adoptive family. We reserve the right to take multiple applications on a single animal as our adoptions are **not** based on a first come first serve basis. We reserve the right to refuse any adoption that we feel is not in the best interest of this animal. We reserve the right to require multiple visits with certain animals. We also reserve the right to do a property, house, and neighborhood check, at management’s discretion.

A refusal does not represent any shortcomings of the applicant but reflects our assessment that a particular pet would not do well in the circumstances offered. We use our years of experience as our chief guide in arranging a successful adoption. It is our intention to make the best possible placement for this animal. We are committed to treating everyone as an individual and with respect during this screening process.

I understand that animal behavior found in one home is not necessarily the same behavior it may exhibit in a different home; and I understand that Cape May County Animal Shelter & Adoption Center (CMCAS) cannot and does not guarantee the behavior of any animal.

I further understand that CMCAS cannot guarantee any animals against parasites, diseases or destructive behavior. If I adopt a pet from the CMCAS, I will not hold the CMCAS, the County, its officials, agents, servants and/or employees responsible, nor seek any compensation for damages, medical fees or other liabilities incurred by the pet I adopt.

**By initialing below**, I am certifying that I have read and understand all the information and questions on all pages of application and have answered them honestly and thoroughly. If I, my family, or other parties consent to having our **photo** taken at time of adoption, I give consent from all parties for this photo to be used on the **CMCAS** Facebook page, website, and in other publications and I understand I will receive no compensation. \_\_\_\_\_(initial)

***Prior to approval of application the following documents must be supplied:***

**\*\*\* Copy of Identification** (Valid driver’s license is preferred but other forms are accepted.)

**\*\*\* Home Owners:** Home ownership will be verified through public records. If unable to verify through records you will be required to provide proof. \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

**\*\*\* Renters/Others:** Written permission from landlord/homeowner is required. \_\_\_\_\_(initial)

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***Applications will not be processed until all the above documents have been supplied. When the documents are received the application will be submitted for review. The process can take several days. Please be patient while we do what is best for our pets.*** \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

**\*I give the Cape May County Animal Shelter permission to contact my veterinarian to obtain any and all vet records.** \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

**\*I understand that this adoption application does NOT guarantee that I will be approved to adopt this particular pet. Adoptions are NOT based on first come, first served basis. Rather the CMCAS reserves the right to decide which home best meets the needs and personality of the cat/dog.**

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE– STAFF ONLY**

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Application Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Application Is Complete & Legible  Id Attached  Adoption Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Documents Pending \_\_\_\_\_

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Administrative Review \_\_\_\_\_