



Lab Rescue of Greater Richmond

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Adoption Coordinator: _____

Approved Declined Date: _____

Notes: _____

APPLICATION FOR ADOPTION

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicants and Co-applicants must be at least 18 years of age.
Please print clearly or type; if we can't read your phone number and e-mail address, we can't contact you.

Applicant's Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone #: _____

Co-applicant's Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone #: _____

Co-applicant's relationship to applicant: Spouse/Partner Parent/Guardian Child Roommate Other: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Applicant's E-mail: _____ Co-Applicant's E-mail: _____

Applicant's Employer: _____ Position: _____ Phone: _____

Co-applicant's Employer: _____ Position: _____ Phone: _____

Are you currently expecting a child? Yes No Are you considering having children within 10 years? Yes No

Explain how you would resolve issues relating to new children and your dog. _____

Have you considered the full ramifications of taking a dog into your family for the rest of its life—through its illnesses and old age? Yes No

Have you considered that having a dog through its lifetime might, over time, require changes to your life, including providing your dog with more frequent opportunities to eliminate, providing your dog with more padding in his/her bedding as old age sets in, or adjusting your routine to allow your dog to avoid stairs later in life? Yes No

Please share your experience or questions pertaining to the last two questions: _____

Average number of days applicant is out of town (business/pleasure): 0 1-3 4-6 > 6 per week month year

Average number of days co-applicant is out of town (business/pleasure): 0 1-3 4-6 > 6 per week month year

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Type of dwelling: House Townhouse Apartment Condo Do you own or rent ?

If you rent, an executed copy of your full lease agreement **must** accompany your application.

If you rent, have you received permission from your landlord to have a dog? Yes No

If you rent, is there a weight limit on dogs in your rental property? Yes No If yes, what is the limit? _____

Is your yard fenced? Yes No If yes, what kind of fence? (height and material) _____

List all residents of your household other than applicant and co-applicant:

Name: _____ Age: ____ Name: _____ Age: ____ Name: _____ Age: ____

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What is the children's experience with dogs? N/A Lived with Frequent Some None Large dog Small dog

If you have children, how do you plan to prepare your children for the addition of a dog to their family? _____

Is anyone home during the day? Yes No Who? _____

How many hours per day will the dog be left without adult human supervision? _____

GENERAL QUESTIONS

Has the applicant or co-applicant applied to adopt from Lab Rescue before? Applicant: Yes No Co-applicant: Yes No

What was the outcome of your application? Adopted Approved but did not adopt Never interviewed Rejected

If you adopted through Lab Rescue before, what was the dog's Lab Rescue name? _____

Date of adoption: _____ Name of your adoption coordinator: _____

Who will be responsible for the dog? _____

Why do you want a dog? Companion Guard dog Gift To breed Personal protection For child

Other: _____

Why do you want a Labrador Retriever? _____

All dogs adopted from Lab Rescue will be spayed or neutered. Do you have any reservations or questions about this? Yes No

If yes, explain: _____

Where will the dog be kept during the day? (Please be specific.) _____

Where will the dog sleep at night? (Please be specific.) _____

Plans for crate use: No crate Reluctant to crate Crate if necessary Temporarily crate Permanently crate

How much do you think it will cost to take care of your dog each year (food, vet care, license, toys, supplies, training)? _____

How will your dog be cared for when the responsible persons are out of town? _____

If you move, what will you do with your pet? _____

PET CARE EXPERIENCE

Have you ever owned a dog before? Yes No Have you ever housetrained a dog before? Yes No

Have you ever cratetrained a dog? Yes No Have you ever obedience trained a dog before? Yes No

If you answered yes to any of the above, was your experience as an adult or as a child? Adult Child

If you have trained a dog before, did you do so on your own or with a professional trainer ?

Please list all pets (not just dogs) that you have owned in the past five (5) years:

Species	Sex	Age (current or at death)	Spayed or Neutered?	Present Location
	M F		Y N	
	M F		Y N	
	M F		Y N	
	M F		Y N	

If you have *ever* had a pet die at an early age due to an accident, please give details: _____

Have you ever given a pet away or turned a pet over to a shelter or rescue group? (This includes animals adopted from and then returned to a shelter or rescue group.) Yes No If yes, please give details:

If you saw your dog doing something she or he shouldn't (peeing on the rug, getting into the trash, chewing the cable remote), how would you respond? _____

Have you read any books or magazines on dog behavior and training? Yes No If yes, what books or magazines have you read most recently? _____

How do you plan to exercise your Lab? _____

Do you live near a dog park? Yes No If so, would you use it for your dog? Yes No

How will *all* of your Lab's outdoor activities be supervised? _____

CHARACTERISTICS OF LABRADOR RETRIEVER YOU HOPE TO ADOPT

Gender: Male preferred Male required Female preferred Female required No preference

Color: Black Yellow Chocolate Colors marked are a requirement preference No preference

Age: _____ Would you consider adopting a dog over 3 years old? Yes No Over 5 years old? Yes No
 The age indicated is a requirement preference

Energy Level: High (dog will need plenty of aerobic exercise daily such as jogging, swimming, dog-dog play, or retrieving)
 Moderate (dog will need at least two walks daily plus some play indoors or in a fenced yard)
 Couch potato (dog will be happy with a couple of leisurely strolls or visits to a fenced yard daily)

The energy level indicated is a requirement preference

Please tell us if there are any other qualities that you are looking for in your Lab: _____

REFERENCES

Please provide the names and phone numbers of two references. (Neighbors, vets, Lab Rescue volunteers, etc.)

Name: _____

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Phone #: _____

How did you hear about Lab Rescue of Greater Richmond? _____

Note: You may use the bottom of this page or an additional page to tell us other information that you think is important for us to have in order for us to evaluate your application to adopt a Lab.

I acknowledge that all the information on this form is true and correct. I understand that any misrepresentation of fact may result in the removal of the adopted dog from my home by Lab Rescue.

Applicant Signature

Date

Co-applicant Signature

Date

Thank you for your interest in adopting a Lab through Lab Rescue. Please fax or mail the application to the number or address on the first page of this form. If you prefer, you may scan the pages into JPG files (Do not resize them.) and submit the files as e-mail attachments. Our e-mail address is info@labrescue-richmond.org. An Adoption Coordinator will contact you for your interview. Please allow one week for a reply to your faxed or scanned application or three weeks for a reply to your mailed application. If you have not heard from us by then, please call the Lab Line or e-mail us to see if we have received your application and assigned it to an adoption coordinator.