



Make Me a Match Questionnaire

This is an application only and not a guarantee for an adoption.

P.O. Box 82
Vinton, Iowa 52349
319-472-4623

Today's Date: _____

Name of dog or cat interested in and *why* this animal appeals to you:

Basic Information:

Your Name(s): _____ E-mail: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address, City, Zip: _____

Housing:

Do you live in a: **House / Apartment / Condo / Mobile Home / Farm / Other:** _____

How long have you lived at this address? _____

Do you: **Rent / Own / Live with Family**

If you rent:

Are there any size/breed limitations, if yes, describe: _____

Landlord's Name and Phone number: _____

Do you have a yard? **Yes / No** Is a portion completely fenced in? **Yes / No**

If a portion is completely fenced in, what is the height and type? _____

Household Information:

Number of Adults: _____ Ages of Children: _____

Occupation: _____ Average hours per week: _____

Length of time with current employer: _____

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Are all adult members of the household aware you are adopting a pet?

Animal Experience:

List any animals you currently own. Please include: Age, Gender, Size, and Breed and whether they are kept inside or outside:

Are your current animals:

- Vaccinated: **Yes / No / Some** • Spayed or Neutered: **Yes / No / Some**
- Tested for heartworm, FeLV, etc. if yes how often: _____
- Are your animals kept on monthly heartworm and flea preventatives? **Yes / No / Some**

What brand and type of food did or do you feed your animals? _____

Please list any other animals you have owned in the past 5 years:

Were any animals ever:

Hit by a Car / Put to Sleep / Given Away / Lost / Stolen

If "yes" to any of the above, please describe the situation: _____

List any and all veterinarians you have used in the past 2 years. Please include Name of Doctor/Practice, Location, and Phone number:

1. _____
2. _____

About Your New Pet:

How long have you been searching for a pet? _____

Why are you looking to adopt a dog or cat?

Companion / Gift / To Breed / For Children / Watch Dog / Hunting / Companion for other Animal

Other: _____

Where do you intend to keep your new pet? **Inside / Outside / Both**

The animal will be alone (without human companionship) for _____ hours per day _____ days per week.

Where do you intend to keep your new dog or cat when you are not home?

Crate / Outside (fenced) / Outside (tied) / Basement / Garage / Free Roam of the House / One Room
Other _____

Do you understand the link between lack of exercise and behavioral problems? How do you intend to exercise your dog? Or if adopting a cat, how do you intend to provide playful activities? _____

We are dedicated to finding permanent, lifelong homes for our animals. Knowing a dog or cat can live 15+ years please consider:

If you are a senior citizen, or will become so in the next 15 years, have you made plans in the event you are no longer able to care for your animal? Explain _____

Dogs or Cats have been returned to us for a variety of reasons, including, but not limited to: Death, Sudden Illness, Too Energetic, Moving, Change of Job, Destruction of the home. Please list at least ONE case in which you would give up a pet. If your answer is none, please indicate what would happen to your pets in the unforeseeable instance that you could not care for them _____

Do you plan to attend obedience classes? How do you intend to reprimand your new dog? (write N/A if wanting to adopt a cat) _____

What will you do if your new pet: urinates in the house? _____

Chews or Claws inappropriate items? _____

Are you open to crate training? (for dogs) _____

If a veterinarian diagnosed a condition that would cost over \$200.00 to treat, how would you handle it?

It may take a month or longer for your new pet to adjust to its new home. Two example issues include: A dog or cat that is considered housebroken will have a few accidents, and a dog or cat may begin to develop separation anxiety. Are you prepared to handle this? Explain: _____

What kind of identification do you intend to keep on your dog or cat? _____

What do you plan to do with your dog or cat while you are away or on vacation? _____

Have you ever adopted an animal from Friends of the Shelter, Inc. or any other shelter before? **Yes / No**

If "yes" to Friends who and when? _____

If "yes" to another shelter what is the Name, Location of that shelter? _____

How did you hear about Friends of the Shelter, Inc.? _____

References:

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone: _____

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone: _____

By my signature below, I certify that the above statements about me, and my history with companion animals are true and correct. I understand that Friends of the Shelter, Inc. reserves the right to refuse any applicant for any reason. Any misrepresentation of fact may result in my application being rejected. I understand that by signing this document I verify that I am at least 18 years old. My signature to this document also permits my present (or previous) Veterinarian or Animal Hospital to release requested information to an Friends of the Shelter, Inc. volunteer regarding my current or previously owned pets for the purpose of considering my application for a companion pet. I will not hold Friends of the Shelter, Inc. or any of its volunteers responsible for any actions incurred once the animal has been released from their care. If I have not been contacted within 14 days from the date of this application from an Friends representative, I understand that my application has been declined or the dog or cat which I have requested has been placed with another family.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

In the event an application is not approved, it is our policy not to inform the applicant of the reason(s) that their application was declined.

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