



Northwest Greyhound Advocate Program
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Adoption Cover Letter

We at Northwest Greyhound Advocate Program (NOGAP) are pleased that you are considering letting a Greyhound into your lives. Greyhounds can make wonderful companions for almost anyone. It has been our experience that Greyhounds are gentle, sweet, sensitive, loving, affectionate, playful and intelligent.

Greyhounds are usually very grateful for being given a second chance at life, and you may very well end up with the best friend you have ever had.

We have worked in Greyhound rescue for many years and have seen many happy endings, and unfortunately we have also seen sad ones. So, although we may seem a bit overprotective, we have only the best interest of the Greyhound in mind.

Before filling out this application, please know that Greyhounds can live from 10-14 years. This is a serious commitment that you are making. Are you prepared to do so? Before answering, please consider the following:

- Life Style Changes
- Moving
- Having Children
- The cost involved in properly caring for the dog, etc.

It is very traumatic for a dog to be abandoned by its family once it has settled into its new home, and pets should never be considered dispensable. Furthermore, note that the Greyhound is not for everyone. These dogs rely on us to place them into appropriate, loving, responsible homes.

If your adoption of a greyhound is not completed within 6 months, a new application will be required.

All applications will require a personal interview and home visit with a representative of NOGAP. This interview will take place in your home at which time we will also be bringing one of our personal dogs with us.

Upon completion of adopting a greyhound, I agree that this Application will become a part of the Adoption Contract.

I further understand that adoption of a greyhound will be subject to the conditions set forth in the home visit/interview and the Adoption contract.

For further research, the following books are a good resource.

Greyhounds for Dummies by Lee Livingood
Adopting the Racing Greyhound by Cynthia Branigan
Guide to Adopting an Ex- Racing Greyhound by Carolyn Raeke



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At NOGAP, our goal is to place Greyhounds into homes that will benefit both the dog and the pet owner. Please answer the following questions with as much detail and honesty as possible. Return this form to your local NOGAP representative as soon as possible.

PLEASE NOTE THAT A NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT OF \$50.00 IS REQUIRED TO ORDER A DOG OR HOLD A DOG. This amount will be applied to your adoption fee (**also not refundable**) pending approval. If **NOGAP** declines your application your deposit will be refunded.

Date: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work/Cell: _____

Spouse: _____ Age: _____

Email address: _____

Why do you want to own a greyhound? _____

Where did you hear about NOGAP? _____

Are you interested in becoming a NOGAP volunteer? YES NO

Is there anything you can tell us about your lifestyle that will assist us in selecting a greyhound for your home? _____

This section of the questionnaire is designed to aid NOGAP in determining whether the proper environmental conditions are available for the necessary care for the Greyhound.

Number of adults in the household and hours they are home: _____

Number of children in the household and their ages: _____

Does any member of the family have special needs, such as a wheelchair? _____

Type of dwelling (apt, home, condominium): Own _____ Rent _____

If renting, do you have permission from the landlord and/or does your lease allow you to have a large dog? _____

If renting, landlord's name and phone #: _____

Do you object to an inspection of the premises by a NOGAP representative?

YES NO

Are you willing to crate the dog when it's alone, if needed? YES NO

Do you own or have access to a kennel or crate (for indoor use)? YES NO

Are you aware that Greyhounds are **INDOOR** pets and may not be kept outdoors?

YES NO

Are you aware that Greyhounds may **NOT** be tied, staked out, or put on a run?

YES NO

Do you have a fenced yard? YES NO

What type of fence/how high? _____

Are you aware of the importance of keeping your Greyhound on lead when outdoors in an unfenced area? YES NO

Are you willing and able to walk or let your Greyhound outside to relieve himself 4 to 6 times a day? YES NO

Do you agree to keep a collar bearing NOGAP identification, **AND** personal identification on your Greyhound at all times? YES NO

If your lifestyle or environment changed, would you make every effort to keep the dog?

YES NO

Do you agree to notify NOGAP if, for any reason, you find that you are unable to keep your Greyhound and further agree that you will **NOT** give away or sell the Greyhound, but return the Greyhound to NOGAP? YES NO

Do you agree to keep your Greyhound solely as a pet and agree to never use it for research, racing or hunting of any kind? YES NO

Are all members of the household in **TOTAL AGREEMENT** about adopting a Greyhound?

YES NO

Are you aware that the Greyhound's racing career is over and you will **NOT** be able to reactivate its career? YES NO

Have you, or any family member, researched Greyhounds? YES NO

If yes, please list the source(s) of your research? _____

This section of the questionnaire is designed to give us some idea of your past and present experience in keeping and caring for pets, including dogs.

If you currently own any pets, please list species, sex, temperament and age: _____

Do you have any pets under 30 pounds (cats, small dogs), or any intention of getting any?

YES NO

If you do not currently own any pets, have you previously owned a pet?

YES NO

If yes, where are they now? _____

Have you ever had to give up a pet for any reason, why? _____

Do you consider yourself dog savvy? YES NO

What types of training methods do you have or have used in the past? _____

Do you have a veterinarian? YES NO

If yes, please give name, phone number and address of vet:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Please give two references. Name and phone number

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

I hereby certify that all the information contained in this NOGAP Greyhound Adoption Application is true and accurate.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Spouse

Date

This section is to better acquaint you with our volunteer opportunities

NOGAP is comprised solely of volunteers, we are only as strong as our members, and volunteers are always needed and appreciated. Please consider giving just a few hours a month to help us find more homes for these wonderful dogs.

Please fill out the following if you think you might like to lend a hand.

Would you be willing or able to promote greyhound adoption at least once per month at a local Meet and Greet? YES NO

Would you be willing or able to help out at special events (picnics, fundraising events, etc...)? YES NO

Would you be willing to help out if a dog needed an emergency foster home (take the dog in until a home can be found)? YES NO

Would you like to foster in any capacity? YES NO

Do you have any special skills or abilities that might be useful in this type of organization?
YES NO:

If yes, please list: _____

We appreciate help in any form. If you are not able to commit to anything listed above, please list anything that you might be willing/able to do: _____

E-mail address (for the volunteer e-mail list, please print clearly):

Name: _____

Phone/Cell: _____

THANK YOU!
Our Volunteer Coordinator will be in touch.