

# Maricopa County Sheriff's Office MASH Unit Animal Adoption Questionnaire

## Welcome

Thank you for coming to the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Animal Safe Haven to look for a new pet. It is the MASH Unit's responsibility to find permanent loving homes for all animals under our care. We will be happy to work with you in order to choose a pet that suits your wants and lifestyle; however, MASH does have adoption guidelines and may deny an adoption we feel is unsuitable. Please complete this questionnaire before you visit with an animal. A staff person will discuss your adoption request. Please be advised before completing this application that:

- ◆ You must not have been *charged or convicted* of animal cruelty.
- ◆ You must be at least 18 years of age and a resident of Maricopa County with proper identification.
- ◆ You may be asked to make a non-refundable adoption donation
- ◆ You must not have been in jail in the last 90 days
- ◆ If you are on probation, you must have written approval from your probation officer in order to be eligible to adopt.

I am interested in adopting a: Dog: \_\_\_\_\_ Cat: \_\_\_\_\_ Horse \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I am over 18 years of age: \_\_\_\_\_ (*initials*)

1. I want a pet because \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is the pet for you and/or for your family? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Ages of minors in your home: \_\_\_\_\_
4. If you rent, are pets allowed? \_\_\_\_\_ Size/weight restrictions \_\_\_\_\_
5. Landlord's name and phone \_\_\_\_\_
6. Have you owned animals before? \_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_ How long? \_\_\_\_ were they spayed/neutered/castrated? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What happened to the animals? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Do you have other animals at home now? If so, what kind? \_\_\_\_\_  
Are they neutered/spayed? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ If no why? \_\_\_\_\_
9. If you move where pets are not allowed, what would you do with your pet? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Where will you keep you pet? Inside only \_\_\_\_ Outside only \_\_\_\_ Inside and Outside \_\_\_\_\_

11. If outside, what accommodation will you provide for shelter, food and water?

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12. Does your yard have daylong shade? \_\_\_\_\_

13. Do you have a fenced yard? If yes, what kind of fence? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, how will the animal be secured when outside? \_\_\_\_\_

14. What provisions will you make for the animal when you leave on vacation? \_\_\_\_\_

15. What brand of food will you feed your pet? \_\_\_\_\_

16. How will you exercise your pet? \_\_\_\_\_

17. What type of behavior would you NOT tolerate? \_\_\_\_\_

18. How would you correct inappropriate behavior?

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\_\_\_\_\_ (any indication of an act of cruelty is cause for rejection).

19. Would you use or do you use a shock collar (for canines) for any reason? \_\_\_\_\_ if yes, please explain.

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20. Are you planning on obedience classes? \_\_\_\_\_

21. Do you have a pool? If yes, is it fenced off from the yard? \_\_\_\_\_

22. Animals often live longer than 15 years. If you can no longer care for your pet, what would you do with it? \_\_\_\_\_

23. Are you willing and able to pay for all inoculations and periodic veterinary examinations and care? \_\_\_\_\_

24. Do you currently have a veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, name of vet/hospital \_\_\_\_\_

25. If your animal became seriously ill or injured and in need of expensive medical treatment or no longer suited for your residence, what would you do? \_\_\_\_\_

26. Have you ever been in jail? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, dates \_\_\_\_\_

27. Have you ever been charged or convicted of animal cruelty? \_\_\_\_\_ if yes, dates \_\_\_\_\_

28. Are you currently on probation? If yes, authorization from Probation Officer is required.

29. Where did you hear about MASH? Newspaper \_\_\_\_\_ Friends/Family \_\_\_\_\_ Internet \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

30. Is there anything else we should know? \_\_\_\_\_

***I CERTIFY THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE IS COMPLETE AND CORRECT***

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by MASH Staff \_\_\_\_\_ Adoption Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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