

Application to Adopt a Retired Racing Greyhound

Greyhound Supporters - National Capital Region

3 Sage Cres.

Ottawa, Ontario K2J 1Z7

Applicant Name:		
Phone #:	Cell #:	Business #:
Preferred E-Mail Address:		
Applicant Name:		
Phone #:	Cell #:	Business #:
Preferred E-Mail Address:		
Home street address:		City
Province:	Postal Code:	
Names and Ages of Children (if under the age of 18):		
Names of Other Adults Residing in Home:		

Note: Your application may not be approved if any child is younger than 6 years.

Note: All applicants will be contacted once the application is reviewed and the references checked.

Where required, please circle the appropriate response for the following:

Residence				
Do you rent, lease or own your home?		Rent	Lease	Own
Type of home:	Apartment	Single-family	Semi-detached	Town-home
Fenced Yard?	Yes	No		
If rented or leased, please provide name, address and phone number of Landlord.				
Name:				
Address:				
Phone #:				
What would be the best time to contact you? (h - h):				
Knowledge				
How did you hear about GSNCR?				
Why do you want to adopt a retired racing greyhound?				
Have you previously owned a retired racing greyhound?		Yes	No	
If yes, please provide some details about your greyhound and its life with you.				
Where did obtain your knowledge of the Retired Racing Greyhound?				
Books	Web sites	Shelter helper	Family Friend	

Do you own a dog currently?	Yes		No	
Have you previously owned a dog?	Yes		No	
How would you rate your knowledge of dog behaviour?	Fair	Good	Excellent	
Family Pets				
How many indoor pets do you currently have?				
Dogs	Cats	Birds	Other	
If Dogs , are they spayed or neutered?	Yes		No	
If no, please explain:				
Maximum number of hours your Greyhound will be at home alone, and frequency. For example - <i>10 hours 3 days each week</i> :				
Do any of your pets live outdoors 24/7?	Yes		No	
Have your pets ever bitten another animal? ^{*1}	Yes		No	
Have your pets ever bitten another person?*	Yes		No	
Has any family member ever been bitten by your pets?*	Yes		No	
If you responded "Yes" to any or all of the previous 3 items, please explain:				
Have you ever returned or taken a pet to a:	Breed-specific adoption group	Humane Society	Pound/Shelter	
If yes, please explain:				

¹ Items identified with * will be followed-up during the home visit for purposes of clarification.

Pet Activity

Maximum number of hours your Greyhound will be at home alone, and frequency - **example** - *10 hours 3 days each week*:

What activities do you plan to engage in with your retired racing greyhound?

Running	Jogging	Racing	Therapy	Coursing	Hunting
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Responsibility

Veterinary bills for an average year are about \$1,000 and emergency surgery may average about \$1,500. Would this present a financial hardship for you?

Yes	No
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Please explain:

Who will be the greyhound's primary care giver in your home?

Please provide three references who have known you for at least two years, and who are **NOT** family members. One must be your vet if you currently have one.

Name, address, phone number & e-mail for each.

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Fine Print

Greyhounds must be considered “house pets”. Their single coat and short fur make them unsuitable for spending long periods of time outdoors during the colder and warmer months of the year. They are comfortable when you are comfortable, and when you find the need for extra covering (sweater, coat, etc) so do they. Greyhounds were first hunters, then racers. Their hunting skills are usually dormant except when the lure can be seen passing the starting gate, or when small animals, including small dogs, cats, rabbits and squirrels, etc., are in the vicinity. In groups of three or more their highly developed pack instinct can take over with the right provocation, and they can be transformed rapidly from otherwise very gentle docile pets. Given their quick and unique racing skills, leash laws should be strictly observed, leashes must NOT be more than two metres (six feet) in length, and retractable leashes must NOT be used. If off-leash, a completely fenced area is mandatory; a greyhound should be exercised for at least 30 minutes once daily to maintain its healthy wellbeing. If you cannot guarantee your greyhound with at least the above level of comfort, security and exercise, then a greyhound is not for you.

The GSNCR is an adoption facilitation group – and as a result, it works with different adoption groups to facilitate the adoption of retired racing greyhounds. The GSNCR is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the wellbeing of retired racing greyhounds in general, and those adopted into homes, especially in the National Capital Region, Ontario & Quebec. Due to its role, the GSNCR does incur certain costs while ensuring that the right retired racing greyhound goes to the right “forever” home. As a consequence, GSNCR attaches an operation fee to the adoption application process. In addition, a donation of \$200.00 US is requested by the adoption kennel to assist with costs related to safeguarding the health and welfare of greyhounds in their care. This donation is payable at the time of adoption.

Please include fifty dollars (\$50.00) CAD with this application. This operation fee is non-refundable regardless of the final outcome of the adoption process itself.

Signatures

I/We wish to adopt a retired racing greyhound. We certify that we have answered all questions, and that all information on this Adoption Application is true and correct. We have read and understood the “Fine Print”.

Applicant’s Signature:.....Date:.....

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GSNCR Officer.....Date:.....