

Application to Adopt a Retired Racing Greyhound

Greyhound Supporters - National Capital Region

3 Sage Cres.

Ottawa, Ontario K2J 1Z7

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| 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): | | |
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| Names of Other Adults Residing in Home: | | |
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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 | | | | |
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| 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: | | | | |
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| Phone #: | | | | |
| What would be the best time to contact you? (h - h): | | | | |
| Knowledge | | | | |
| How did you hear about the Greyhound Supporters? | | | | |
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| Why do you want to adopt a retired racing greyhound? | | | | |
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| Have you previously owned a retired racing greyhound? | | Yes | No | |
| If yes, please provide some details about your greyhound and its life with you. | | | | |
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| Where did obtain your knowledge of the retired racing greyhound? | | | | |
| Books | Web sites | Shelter helper | Family Friend | |

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| 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?

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| Dogs | Cats | Birds | Other |
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| If Dogs , are they spayed or neutered? | Yes | No |
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If no, please explain:

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

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| Do any of your pets live outdoors 24/7? | Yes | No |
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| Have your pets ever bitten or attacked another animal? ^{*1} | Yes | No |
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| Have your pets ever bitten or attacked another person?* | Yes | No |
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| Has any family member ever been bitten or attacked by your pets?* | Yes | No |
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If you responded "Yes" to any or all of the previous 3 items, please explain:

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| Have you ever returned or taken a pet to a: | Breed-specific adoption group | Humane Society | Pound/Shelter |
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If yes, please explain:

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

Pet Activity

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

Running

Jogging

Racing

Therapy

Coursing

Hunting

Responsibility

Veterinary bills for an average year are about \$1,500 and emergency surgery may average about \$2,000. Would this present a financial hardship for you?

Yes

No

Please explain:

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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. If your vet, please contact them to advise them that a call from the Greyhound Supporters will be forthcoming so that information can be released to us.

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 period of time outdoors during the colder 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 should 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 a 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 Greyhound Supporters is an adoption facilitation group – and as a result, it works with different adoption groups and fosters surrendered hounds to facilitate the adoption of greyhounds. The Greyhound Supporters is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the wellbeing of the retired racing greyhound in general, and those adopted into homes, especially in the National Capital Region, Ontario & Quebec. Due to its role, the Greyhound Supporters does incur a certain amount of costs in ensuring that the right retired racing greyhound goes to the right “forever” home. As a consequence, the Greyhound Supporters attaches an operation fee of \$50.00 to the adoption application process. In addition, the adoption fee of \$350.00 is required at the time of adoption. The total cost for the adoption is \$400.00.

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:.....

Applicant’s Signature:.....Date:.....

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