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Florida Little Dog Rescue Adoption Process – Step by Step

1. Submit an Application

Fill out the adoption application on our website. It helps us learn about your home, lifestyle, and what kind of dog you're looking for.

Note: We match dogs based on the best fit—not first come, first served.

2. Reference Checks

We will contact your current or previous vet and/or groomer to verify your pets' care history. Make sure the references listed on your application are accurate and up to date.

3. Initial Interview

If your application seems like a good match on paper, a member of our team will reach out for a phone interview to go over your application and discuss potential fits.

4. Foster Parent Interview

If the initial interview goes well, the foster parent of the dog you're interested in will contact you for a second conversation. They know the dog best and will help decide if a meet-and-greet should be scheduled.

5. Meet-and-Greet (In Orlando Area)

If the foster agrees it's a match, a meet-and-greet will be set up—usually within 24–48 hours.

- You must be willing to travel to the Orlando area.
- All household members, including pets, must attend.
- We do not adopt dogs out as gifts or surprises.
- Please be on time and respectful of our foster families' time.

6. Final Decision

If the meet-and-greet goes well and both sides agree, the adoption can be finalized and your new furry family member will head home with you!

7. Adoption Fee

Adoption fees range from \$150 to \$500 depending on the dog's age and medical needs. This helps cover veterinary care, food, preventatives, and other expenses.

All dogs are spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and heartworm tested before adoption.

A Few Things to Keep in Mind:

- Dogs listed on the "Adoptable Dogs" page may already have applications in process.
- We're 100% volunteer-run, so response times may vary.
- Every decision is made with the dog's best interest in mind.

Thank you for choosing to adopt and save a life!
Apply now at: www.floridalittledogrescue.com

I would love to “fluff” up the descriptions of each dog.

Before: Loki

Meet Loki! Loki is a 5 year old male Puggle mix and he weighs about 20 pounds. He arrived in rescue when his previous family was no longer able to care for him. He has settled into foster care, but would love a family to call his own. His foster mom says, "Hi everybody, meet Loki. Like his namesake, he is a little mischievous and likes to chase squirrels and lizards. The best thing I can say about Loki is when my parents came to visit, my dad said that if he was looking for a dog, he would want Loki. My parents have been around several of our other foster dogs over the years and never said anything like this before. Loki is a medium energy dog who would play all day with you if you let him. He follows me around the house and always likes to be nearby. If I'm on the recliner or couch, he will sit on or near me. He loves playing tug and fetch, but eventually will go play by himself or lay down and take a nap if I stop entertaining him. He sometimes even falls asleep with a toy in his mouth. He loves attention from people, but doesn't want to share that with any other animals in the house. He could not be in a home with cats, other dogs or any small pets. Loki could be in a home with older, dog savvy children. He would not do well in a house with shared walls, as he barks at most noises.



He is extra alert to sounds if I'm alone with him in the house. He likes to chase squirrels and lizards, so he has to wear a harness on walks. Loki is pretty much house trained on a schedule of every 3-4 hours and will use a potty pad as a backup. At the end of the day, Loki sleeps in the big bed with us. He has commandeered a pillow as his own and also likes to go under the blankets. He sometimes will cuddle, but only when it's his choice. "Loki is neutered, up to date on vaccines, heartworm negative, microchipped and has had his teeth cleaned. He is fostered in the Orlando area and his adoption donation is \$275.

After: Loki

Hi there, I'm Loki!

And yes... I live up to my name. I'm a 5-year-old, 20-pound puggle mix with a big personality and a soft spot for people who love to play.

I came into rescue when my previous family couldn't take care of me anymore, but I've been hanging out in a super comfy foster home while I wait for my forever humans to find me. My foster mom says I'm the kind of pup that leaves an impression—her dad even said *if he were looking for a dog, I'd be the one*. And trust me, he's met a lot of us foster pups!

I'm a medium-energy guy, which basically means: I'm always ready for fetch or tug-of-war, but I also know how to chill when playtime is over. If you're busy, I'll go toss a toy around by myself or curl up for a nap (sometimes with my toy still in my mouth—don't judge me). I follow my foster mom around the house because I like being near my people. If you sit on the couch or recliner, you better believe I'm climbing up next to you.

Now, about the important stuff:

- **I'm house trained** (every 3–4 hours is my sweet spot) and will even use a potty pad if I need to.
- **I sleep in the big bed** with my humans and have claimed a pillow as mine—bonus points if I can snuggle under the covers.
- **I love attention**—so much so that I don't want to share it with other animals. No cats, dogs, or tiny pets, please.
- **Older, dog-savvy kids?** Cool with me.
- **Apartments?** Probably not the best fit—I bark at strange noises, especially if I'm home alone.

Also, I'm a master squirrel and lizard chaser, so I'll need to wear a harness on walks to keep me safe and focused (sort of). I'm not perfect, but I promise I'm loyal, loving, and one-of-a-kind.

I'm neutered, up to date on my shots, heartworm negative, microchipped, and even had my teeth cleaned (I *do* love a good smile). I'm being fostered in the Orlando area, and my adoption donation is \$275.

If you're looking for a loyal buddy who brings fun, cuddles (on my terms), and a dash of mischief into your life—I just might be your guy.

Love,
Loki 🐾🐾

