



Norris Ark Training & Recovery Center

Dog Adoption Application

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Thank you for considering adopting a dog from Norris Ark Training & Recovery Center. To ensure our dogs are placed in loving, responsible homes, please complete this application thoroughly. This information helps us match you with the right dog and ensures compliance with Montana animal welfare standards. All information provided is confidential and used solely for the adoption process.

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ (Must be 18 or older to adopt per Montana law)

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Do you own or rent your home? Own Rent

If renting, provide landlord's name and phone number: _____

Does your landlord allow pets? Yes No (Proof of pet approval required)

Household Members: List all individuals living in your home, including ages:

Lifestyle and Home Environment

Why do you want to adopt a dog?

What type of dog are you looking for? (e.g., size, energy level, temperament)

Do you have a fenced yard? Yes No

If yes, describe fence type and height: _____

If no, how will you ensure the dog's safety outdoors? _____

Where will the dog stay during the day? At night?

How many hours will the dog be alone daily? _____

Describe your plan for exercise and stimulation: _____

Do you have other pets? Yes No

If yes, list species, breed, age, and spay/neuter status: _____

Are they current on vaccinations? Yes No

Have you ever owned a dog before? Yes No

If yes, describe what happened to them (e.g., still with you, passed away, rehomed):

Have you ever surrendered a pet to a shelter or rescue? Yes No

If yes, explain: _____

Care and Responsibility

Who will be the primary caregiver for the dog? _____

Are you prepared to provide regular veterinary care, including vaccinations, heartworm prevention, and emergency treatment? Yes No

What is your plan for training the dog? (e.g., house training, obedience)

How will you handle behavioral issues, if they arise?

Are you willing to allow a home visit by a Norris Ark representative? Yes No

Montana law (MCA 45-8-211) prohibits animal cruelty, including neglect. Are you familiar with and committed to meeting the state's standards for animal care, including providing adequate food, water, shelter, and medical care? Yes No

References

Please provide two references (not living with you) who can vouch for your ability to care for a dog:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship: _____

Veterinary Reference

Name of Veterinarian/Clinic: _____

Phone: _____

(If you've had pets before, we will contact your vet to verify care history.)

Acknowledgment

I certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that Norris Ark Training & Recovery Center reserves the right to approve or deny this application based on the best interest of the dog. I agree to allow Norris Ark to contact my references and veterinarian and to conduct a home visit if deemed necessary.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Dog Adoption Contract

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This Adoption Contract is entered into on [Date] between Norris Ark Training & Recovery Center (“Rescue”) and _____ (“Adopter”) for the adoption of the dog described below, in accordance with Montana law and to ensure the dog’s welfare.

Dog Information

Name: _____

Breed/Mix: _____

Age: ____ Sex: Male Female

Spay/Neuter Status: Spayed/Neutered Will be spayed/neutered by _____

Microchip Number: _____

Adoption Fee: \$_____ (Non-refundable, covers veterinary care and rescue expenses)

Terms and Conditions

____ **Care and Welfare:** Adopter agrees to provide the dog with adequate food, water, shelter, exercise, and medical care as required by Montana law (MCA 45-8-211). This includes annual veterinary checkups, vaccinations, heartworm prevention, and prompt treatment for illness or injury.

____ **Spay/Neuter:** If the dog is not already spayed/neutered, Adopter agrees to have the procedure completed by [Date] at their expense and to provide proof to Rescue.

____ **Microchip:** The dog is microchipped, and Adopter agrees to keep the microchip registration updated with their current contact information.

____ **No Transfer:** Adopter agrees not to sell, give away, or transfer ownership of the dog without prior written consent from Rescue. If Adopter can no longer care for the dog, they must return the dog to Norris Ark Training & Recovery Center.

_____ **Living Conditions:** The dog will reside primarily indoors as a family member and will not be kept chained or tethered outdoors as a primary means of confinement, per Montana's animal cruelty laws.

_____ **Training and Behavior:** Adopter agrees to use humane, positive reinforcement training methods and to address any behavioral issues promptly, seeking professional help if needed.

_____ **Return Policy:** If the adoption does not work out, Adopter agrees to return the dog to Rescue within 7 days for a full refund of the adoption fee, or at any time thereafter with no refund. Adopter must notify Rescue immediately if the dog is lost, stolen, or deceased.

_____ **Follow-Up:** Adopter agrees to allow Rescue to contact them periodically to check on the dog's well-being and to permit a home visit with reasonable notice.

_____ **Liability:** Adopter assumes full responsibility for the dog's actions and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Norris Ark Training & Recovery Center from any claims, damages, or liabilities arising from the dog's behavior.

_____ **Breach of Contract:** If Adopter fails to comply with these terms, Rescue reserves the right to reclaim the dog without refund and pursue legal action to enforce this contract, as permitted by Montana law.

Adopter Acknowledgment

I, _____, acknowledge that I have read and understand the terms of this contract. I agree to provide a safe, loving home for _____ and to comply with all terms outlined above. I understand that failure to meet these obligations may result in the dog being reclaimed by Norris Ark Training & Recovery Center.

Adopter Signature: _____ Date: _____

Adopter Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Rescue Acknowledgment

On behalf of Norris Ark Training & Recovery Center, I confirm that _____ is released to the Adopter under the terms of this contract.

Rescue Representative Signature: _____ Date: _____