



## Greyhound Pets of America Greater Northwest

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### GREYHOUND APPLICATION FOR ADOPTION

We are pleased that you are considering letting a Greyhound into your lives. Greyhounds can make wonderful companions for most anyone. It has been our experience that Greyhounds are gentle, sweet, sensitive, loving, affectionate, playful, and intelligent. Greyhounds are very “greyful” for being given a second chance at life, and you may very well end up with the best friend you’ve ever had.

Greyhound Pets of America Greater Northwest was established in 2004 and has seen many happy endings with our adopted Greyhounds, unfortunately we have also seen a few sad ones. So, although we may seem a bit overprotective, we only have the best interest of the Greyhound in mind!

Before signing this agreement, please know that Greyhounds can live 10-14 years. This is a serious commitment you are making. Are you prepared to do so? Before answering, consider some of the following lifestyle changes that may affect your family such as moving, having children, the cost of properly caring for the Greyhound, etc.

It’s very traumatic for a dog to be abandoned by its family once it has settled into its new home, and pets should NEVER be considered dispensable. These dogs rely on us to place them into appropriate, loving, responsible homes.

Some Greyhound books worth reading are:

- Greyhounds For Dummies by Lee Livingwood
- Adopting the Racing Greyhound by Cynthia Branigan
- Guide to Adopting an Ex- Racing Greyhound by Carolyn Raeke

The information provided on this Application for Adoption will assist us in matching a greyhound for your home and your lifestyle. **Please Print Legibly!**

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| <b>Applicant Name (1):</b> | Applicant (1) Over the Age of 18?<br>Yes / No | Applicant (1) Cell Phone: |
| Applicant (1) Email:       | Applicant (1) Employer/Occupation:            |                           |
| <b>Applicant Name (2)</b>  | Applicant (2) Over the Age of 18?<br>Yes / No | Applicant (2) Cell Phone: |
| Applicant (2) Email:       | Applicant (2) Employer/Occupation:            |                           |

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| Applicant(s) COMPLETE Physical Address: | City, State, ZIP |
| Applicant(s) COMPLETE Mailing Address:  | City, State, ZIP |

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the pets currently living in your home (breed, age, sex, personality: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List and describe the pets you have had in the past: \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever had to return or relinquish a pet? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, why? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you want a Greyhound? \_\_\_\_\_

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What age, sex, personality trait(s) would you like in a Greyhound? \_\_\_\_\_

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How long would the Greyhound be alone each day? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults in the home: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children and ages in the home: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide at least two references, including your veterinarian (no relatives, please):

Name of your vet: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Personal Reference Name/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Circle One:

Yes / No I own my home.

Yes / No If not, I have written permission from my landlord to have a dog. (attach permission letter to application)

Yes / No I have a secure yard with a fence that is in good repair and is a minimum of 4' high.

Type and Height of Fence: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes / No I understand that Greyhounds cannot be trusted off leash and therefore I agree to keep the greyhound on a leash at all times when outdoors in unfenced areas.

Yes / No I understand that the Greyhound is a companion animal and not a guard dog.

Yes / No I understand that the Greyhound is an indoor pet and agree never to leave it outside or confine it in a laundry room, basement, garage, etc.

Yes / No I agree to keep the Greyhound as a house pet only. And I will not attempt to use it for hunting, research, or to re-activate it's racing career.

Yes / No I understand that it can take three to six months for the greyhound to adjust completely to a new home. I have the time and patience necessary to help with this adjustment.

Yes / No I agree to rent, borrow or purchase a crate (of appropriate size) for the Greyhound during the initial adjustment period, if necessary.

Yes / No I understand that initial introductions to other animals need to be in a controlled situation with the greyhound muzzled, and that the Greyhound will need to wear a muzzle until relationships with my other pets are established.

Yes / No I agree to keep a collar bearing a GPAGNW tag, plus my own identification on the Greyhound at all times. I also agree to inform GPAGNW if I move or when the Greyhound passes on.

Yes / No I agree to notify the GPAGNW adoption representative immediately if the Greyhound goes missing.

Yes / No I agree to return the Greyhound to GPAGNW if, for any reason(s), I cannot keep it.

Yes / No I agree to allow visits from the adoption representative to check on the Greyhound, and allow GPAGNW to repossess it if, in their opinion, it is not properly cared for.

Yes / No I understand that a minimum donation of \$500.00 (\$300.00 for Greyhounds 7 years or older, \$650 Irish Greyhounds) required to adopt a Greyhound from GPAGNW and that the adoption donation is non-refundable.

Yes / No I understand that GPAGNW operates with the goal of fulfilling our mission in a positive environment. It uses this premise, an official policy of neutrality, in all social media and events. Furthermore, I agree that I will do the same.

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and accurate.

Applicant (1) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Applicant (2) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

APPLICANT IS APPROVED / NOT APPROVED:

GPAGNW Adoption Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

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