

Adoption Application

INDIANA SHELTYE RESCUE, INC.

23163 St. Rd. 37 North, Noblesville, IN 46060-9635

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Applications submitted by anyone under 18 years of age will be rejected without further consideration.

Applications must be completed by the person interested in adopting the dog.

Instructions: Please fill out the attached application. If you'd rather send it by paper mail, please send it to:

Teresa Cotton
Indiana Sheltie Rescue
23163 St. Rd. 37 North
Noblesville, Indiana 46060

- 1. RENTERS:** You will need to snail mail us a copy of the portion of your rental lease which pertains to pets before we could proceed with your application. Mail this along with your application to: Teresa Cotton, 23163 St. Rd. 37 North, Noblesville, IN 46060
- 2. VETERINARIAN REFERENCE:** If you do not currently have a veterinarian, you will need to provide us with the name, address and phone number of one that you plan to be asking to accept you as a client.
- 3. FENCING:** We feel that fences are a piece of equipment and we do prefer that you have a fence. Qualified applicants that can assure us of their ability to safely contain a pet in an unfenced yard may be considered as adopters. We do not feel that homes that have small children and unfenced yards are safe placements for our rescued shelties.

***Please note that an incomplete application will not be processed.
It will be returned for completion.***

We have the right to refuse any applicant.

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COMPLETE AND MAIL TO:
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PLEASE PRINT

1. Your Name	2. Today's Date			
3. Home Address (no P.O. Box, please)				
4. City, State, Zip				
5. Home Phone No.	6. Work Phone No.			
7. Email Address	8. Do you check email everyday?			
9. Where do you work?	10. Hours you are at work			
11. May we contact you at work?	12. What is the best time of day to reach you?			
13. Have you placed an application with any other rescue group(s)? Yes No (circle one)	14. If #13 is yes, what is the status of the application(s)?			
15. Why do you want a sheltie?	16. What role will this animal fill in your household? (companion, watchdog, breeder, etc.)			
17. How many pets have you owned in the last 10 years, when, and what happened to each of them, including any given away to other homes or turned into shelters? <i>(If more space is needed, continue on the other side)</i>				
18. If you currently have other animals, please complete: <i>(If more space is needed, continue on the other side)</i>				
Name	Species / Breed	Age	Sex	Spayed or Neutered?
19. If you currently own a dog, what type and brand of food do you feed?	20. What feeding schedule do you use for your dog(s)?			
21. Shelties are a breed that gain weight easily and this is bad for their health. How do you determine the amount of food you feed your dogs?				
22. Name, complete address, and phone number of your veterinarian. <i>(We will contact your vet reference.)</i>				
23. Under whose name is the account at the above-referenced vet?	24. What is the pet's name(s) on this vet's account?			

25. Who lives in your home? (i.e. mom, dad, two kids)	26. List names/ages of children living in the home, even part-time.
27. Do you live in a house, apartment, condo, other? (please specify)	28. Do you own or rent? If you rent, list the name, address and phone number of your landlord.
29. Do you have a yard for the dog to use? Yes No (circle one)	30. If #29 is yes, is the yard fenced? If it is fenced, please describe the type and height of the fence.
31. How will you provide exercise for the dog?	
32. Does your home have stairs in it? Yes No (circle one)	33. If #32 is yes, describe where they are and how often the dog will need to use them.
34. How close or far away is the street to your front door? (estimate in feet) In your opinion, is the road you live on a: quiet neighborhood street; quiet city street; busy city street; quiet, rural road; or busy rural road? If you consider your road to be quiet, how far away is there a busier road or street?	
35. Is anyone home during the day? Yes No (circle one)	36. If #35 is yes, who is home during the day and what hours are they home?
37. Can anyone come home during lunch hour? Yes No (circle one)	38. What is the longest number of hours the dog will be alone?
39. Where will the dog stay during the day while you're at work?	40. Do you intend to keep this dog primarily indoors or outdoors?
41. Where will the dog sleep?	42. Please explain your plans for caring for the dog while vacationing or out of town.
43. Do you have the time and/or patience to houstrain a dog if it is not already trained?	44. If #43 is yes, please describe the method of houstraining you will use.
45. Please briefly describe the type of house manners you encourage and any commands that your dog knows. Include a discussion of the type of training methods you use and whether or not you have any experience with an obedience trainer in either a class or private lesson.	

<p>46. Are you willing to adopt a special-needs dog such as one which is blind, deaf, or that is hypo-thyroid or has seizures? Yes No (circle one)</p>	<p>47. If #46 is yes, please identify the conditions with which you are willing to work.</p>
<p>48. Are you willing to work with a dog with behavior issues such as one that barks excessively, spins, runs the fence, or that needs obedience training? Yes No (circle one)</p>	<p>49. If #48 is yes, please identify the behavior with which you are willing to work.</p>
<p>50. Have you ever owned a sheltie before? Yes No (circle one)</p>	
<p>51. Are you aware a sheltie needs routine groom- ing, daily exercise, and play or work to keep him or her happy and out of mischief? Yes No (circle one)</p>	<p>52. If #51 is yes, describe what you plan to provide in each of these areas.</p>
<p>53. Are you aware that shelties can be barkers? (Consider whether your situation will allow this or if you are you are willing to train to reduce it.) Yes No (circle one)</p>	<p>54. Are you aware that shelties may be somewhat shy around new people, and may take a while to bond with you? (Few shelties are social butterflies and you may need to wait for the rare one or work to socialize your new family member if your household is very active.) Yes No (circle one)</p>
<p>55. Color preference (if any):</p>	<p>56. Sex preference (if any):</p>
<p>57. Age preference (if any):</p>	<p>58. Size preference (if any):</p>
<p>59. Are you aware that the financial responsibilities of dog ownership including quality food, licensing, vaccinations, preventative medications, grooming, problem or emergency vet care, etc. can reach \$750-\$1,500 per year? (Consider whether you are willing or able to cover these expenses during the possible 14-16 years of the dog's lifetime.) Yes No (circle one)</p>	
<p>60. Comment upon how the dog will be a part of your family and whether or not it will be a priority in your life.</p>	
<p>61. What circumstances would justify you needing to move this dog out of your home and family?</p>	
<p>62. Are you wanting to adopt a sheltie soon or do you have the preference to wait until a certain date to take possession of a new sheltie?</p>	<p>63. Are you aware that our rescue organization charges the following adoption fees? Yes No (circle one) Puppies and dogs up to age 10 ... \$175 Adult dogs over age 10 ... \$50</p>

64. How did you learn about our rescue group and who referred you to our rescue group to adopt a sheltie?

65. Please list the names of three people who can describe the type of pet owner that you are.

Name	
Relationship	
How long known?	
Phone number	
Street Address	
City, State, Zip	
Email address	

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Thank you for your interest in adopting a sheltie from us!