

# Northern Illinois Samoyed Assistance

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## Foster Home Questionnaire

NAME: _____	HOME PHONE: _____
ADDRESS: _____	EMAIL: _____
CITY: _____	ST: _____ ZIP: _____

1. Why do you want to be a foster home? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Have you fostered for another organization? Yes or No circle

Who? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_

Why did you stop? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do you work outside the home? Yes or No circle

What hours? \_\_\_\_\_

How many days? \_\_\_\_\_

Is anyone else home while you are at work? Yes or No circle

Please explain schedule. \_\_\_\_\_

4. What pets have you owned in the past? \_\_\_\_\_

What pets do you now own? \_\_\_\_\_

Are they compatible with dogs? \_\_\_\_\_

If you own a dog, is it crated in the families absence? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, what arrangements do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Is your yard fenced? Yes or No circle Do you have kennels? Yes or No circle

If not, what arrangements do you have to confine a dog outside? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What experience do you have with the Northern breed dog? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Have you taken obedience classes before? Yes or No circle

Where? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, what experience do you have that would qualify you for foster care? \_\_\_\_\_

8. What type of vehicle do you drive? \_\_\_\_\_

Will it accommodate a crate/s? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able and willing to transport dog/s to the veterinary? \_\_\_\_\_

To the groomer? \_\_\_\_\_

To dog training classes? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Have you personally dealt with any form of aggression in a dog? Please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

10. Describe how you would handle a foster dog challenging your dog aggressively? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Describe how you would handle a foster dog challenging you or a family member aggressively? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Do you recommend crating multiple dogs in a household? Yes or No circle

Do you have extra crates? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have extra equipment? \_\_\_\_\_

13. Are there small children in your neighborhood? Yes or No circle

Next door? \_\_\_\_\_

Where? \_\_\_\_\_

How do they behave around dogs of any kind? \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate ages of children who might come in contact with a foster dog \_\_\_\_\_

14. Do you personally have visitors with small children? Yes or No circle

How old? \_\_\_\_\_

How do they behave around strange dogs? \_\_\_\_\_

15. Describe your family and home: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Circle any that apply to your family's lifestyle:

- |         |               |                |
|---------|---------------|----------------|
| Hectic? | Scheduled?    | Routine?       |
| Calm?   | Busy?         | Noisy?         |
| Quiet?  | Consistent?   | Chaotic?       |
| Loud?   | Few visitors? | Many visitors? |

Detail normal day: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Detail your wildest/active day: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

16. Are you willing to work with a foster dog on a daily basis to improve their behavior? Yes or No circle

Can you attend a foster dog training class once a week? Yes or No circle

17. Will your family be supportive of your commitment to N.I.S.A. dogs? Yes or No circle

Will they assist your efforts to work with the dogs? Yes or No circle

18. Can you handle dogs with specific behavior problems? Yes or No circle

Circle below any behaviors you've previously experienced and modified:

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|----------------|--------------------|----------|
| Housebreaking? | Jumping on people? | Barking? |
| Digging?       | Mouthing?          | Other?   |

19. How will your neighbors feel about you doing this? \_\_\_\_\_

Do they complain about annoyances easily? \_\_\_\_\_

How will they react to a persistent barker? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you adjust your routine so as to not create animosity in the neighborhood? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

20. Can your personal budget accommodate miscellaneous expenses incurred by transporting, meetings, training classes, extras such as toys or chew bones and the possibility of temporary special diets? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

21. Are you primarily a homebody or do you frequently go out evenings? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you travel often? \_\_\_\_\_

Vacation? \_\_\_\_\_

Weekends away at a cabin? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe in detail travel that apply to you: \_\_\_\_\_

- 22. Are you willing to deliver the foster dog to a designated meeting place as long as you have a 24 hour notice, with consideration to your work schedule, prior to that appointment? Yes or No circle
- 23. Will you consent to a home inspection prior to acceptance as a foster family? Yes or No circle
- 24. Would it be acceptable for a N.I.S.A. coordinator to periodically visit your foster home to observe how the rescue dog interacts with you and your family? Yes or No circle
- 25. Should a family emergency occur, that would require you to be away from home, what arrangements will be made for the rescue dogs in your care? \_\_\_\_\_

One day away? \_\_\_\_\_

One week away? \_\_\_\_\_

Indefinite period? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to make boarding reservations at approved kennels and will you provide pick up and delivery on your own time? \_\_\_\_\_

26. What if anything do you not wish to encounter with foster services: \_\_\_\_\_

27. Please detail any other information that you feel would be helpful in determining your qualifications to handle a strange dog: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions: call 847-392-5000