



Kansas City Retired Greyhounds As Pets

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\$200.00 Adoption Fee

- ♦ The average cost of **just** the spaying/neutering and dental (teeth cleaning) in the Kansas City area is \$275 so the \$200 (*which also covers shots and vaccinations*) does not even cover the medical costs incurred by KCREGAP to prepare greyhounds for adoption.
- ♦ Donations above the \$200 for all our other greyhound advocacy efforts are always appreciated!

ADOPTION APPLICATION

The ownership of a greyhound, like any pet, is a serious responsibility that requires a **commitment for the lifetime of the pet**. It is also quite true that not every person who desires to own a pet should own a pet.

It is the goal of the REGAP adoption program to be sure that this responsibility, as well as the financial, psychological and physical needs of each greyhound are met in its new home.

This application has been designed to help prospective greyhound adopters address the issues that would directly affect their home and its suitability for a greyhound, as well as aid our staff in applicant evaluation.

Name #1: _____ Name #2: _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name #1: Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Name #2: Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Number of adults in household _____ Number of children in household _____

Please list sex, ages and names of children (Note: REGAP does not adopt to families of children under the age of 5) _____

1) Who will be responsible for the care and training of your new greyhound? _____

2) Approximately how long would you expect your greyhound to be alone each day? _____

3) Do you live in a:

- Single family home? Condominium? Apartment? Mobile home?

4) How long have you lived there? _____

5) If you rent you must have written permission from your landlord. Please list the following information:

Landlord's name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

NOTE: REGAP REQUIRES THAT OUR ADOPTED GREYHOUNDS HAVE A FENCED AREA.

REGAP WILL NOT DO A HOME VISIT UNTIL A FENCE IS IN PLACE OR AT LEAST UNDER CONTRUCTION*

***At your request, a REGAP representative can assist with fencing questions or placement.**

6) Is your yard currently fenced? YES NO

7) If your yard is not currently fenced, when are you planning to do so: _____

8) What type of fence do you have, or planned, and what is its approximate height? _____

9) Are you willing and able to modify your daily schedule to accommodate your greyhound's needs to perform bodily functions at least five times a day? This specifically includes a **midday break** (over a lunch hour) for up to and as long as possible until the dog can 'hold it' for 8 hours or a normal work day.

YES NO

10) Do you understand that 10-12 hours is too long of a time period to not allow the dog to relieve itself?

YES NO

11) If your work schedule does include an occasional 10-12 hour day, would you be willing to install a pet door or hire a pet service for your greyhound? YES NO

12) Are you aware of the vital importance of keeping your greyhound on a leash or in a fenced area when outdoors? YES NO

**YOU CAN NEVER PUT YOUR GREYHOUND ON A TIE-OUT OR TETHER...
IT CAN LITERALLY BREAK ITS BACK OR NECK!**

13) Greyhounds must live in the house. They cannot adequately be kept in an outdoor kennel or doghouse. 'House' does not include garages, sheds or outbuildings. Basements may not be an option, depending on the specific dog. Do you agree to keep your pet inside your home?

YES NO

14) REGAP provides a special collar with a tag bearing your name, address, phone number and REGAP's phone number. When you move or change phone numbers or if the collar wears out, you can order a new collar from REGAP. Do you agree to have your greyhound wear this special collar at all times?

YES NO

15) If, for any reason, you are unable to keep your greyhound do you understand that he/she **must** be returned to Kansas City REGAP? This means the dog cannot be given to friends, relatives or anyone else without that person going through the entire adoption procedure and being approved by REGAP. The adoption fee will not be refunded.

YES NO

16) Adopting a Greyhound includes all healthcare costs and necessary burdens and responsibilities of owning a pet. Do you understand that the cost of owning a pet does not mean only feeding and yearly vaccinations? It can mean costly medical bills, boarding or pet sitting and much more. Are you willing and able to accept full and immediate responsibility for the ownership of a greyhound? YES NO

17) Do you understand that when you make living or lifestyle changes, career moves or any major changes to your life, you must keep your commitment to pet ownership for the **life of the dog** (which can be up to 14 years) in mind before making those decisions? YES NO

18) How many dogs do you currently own? _____

19) How many dogs have you owned in the past 10 years? _____

20) Please list each dog's breed, sex, name & age. If you no longer own the dog, please note what became of it.

21) What other pets/animals do you have? _____

22) Have you ever bred or raised dogs? YES NO

23) Have you ever participated in dog shows? YES NO

24) Have you ever trained a dog? YES NO

If yes, what commands were taught? _____

25) Would you be willing to take your dog to a "greyhound friendly" obedience class? YES NO

26) How would you describe your household activity level?

Very quiet Rather easygoing Usually something going on Lots of activity

27) In addition to a regular life at home, would your greyhound:

Walk routinely with a family member? _____ *miles* _____ *times per week*

Jog routinely with a family member? _____ *miles* _____ *times per week*

Go to your place of business with you? Travel with you?

Be a playmate for your children or pets? Be a companion for your children?

Other _____

28) Occasionally a greyhound with special needs (physical restrictions or an unusual personality or preferences) or a shy or frightened greyhound is available for adoption. Would you be interested in being considered for such a "special" dog? YES NO

29) Why do you want a greyhound? What is it that you see in this breed that works for your household?

30) Are you committed to an "adjustment period" and working through potential problems? YES NO

31) Please add any additional information or thoughts you feel would help us understand you and your home as a potential greyhound home.

32) What do you feel is an acceptable reason to return a dog?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Moving | <input type="checkbox"/> Shyness - lack of family interaction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of time to care for pet/too active social schedule |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Career/lifestyle change | <input type="checkbox"/> Having a baby/overwhelmed by new child responsibilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Growling or snapping at children or yourself | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial problems/loss of job |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Repeated accidents in your home | <input type="checkbox"/> Serious illness in your immediate family |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Separation anxiety/destructiveness | |

33) Do you currently have a veterinarian? YES NO

If yes, please list the following information:

Clinic's name _____

Veterinarian _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

34) Please list two personal references that you have known for more than two years who are not relatives.

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

I understand that in order to complete processing of this application a visit to my home will need to be scheduled by a REGAP representative. By submitting this application I agree to such a scheduled visit.

I also certify that all information on the REGAP greyhound adoption application is true and correct.

Signature _____ Date _____

Where have you heard about REGAP? Please be as specific as possible - this information REALLY helps us!

TV/station(s)? _____ Radio/station(s)? _____

Newspaper/which one? _____ Adoption Clinic/where? _____

Special event/where/who? _____

You met a REGAP adoptee/who? _____

Other _____