**Attention Applicant!**

**We ASK all adopters to have an understanding of adopting a rescue dog!**

**This means: If you are adopting with high expectations, requirements or judgments. Please Don’t Apply.**

**WE pull pups from off the streets or from jail with no history’s 90% of the time. This why we offer the Foster to Adopt TRIAL. We have a foster based rescue, we learn what we can and teach/train what we can in the time we have these poor lost souls.**

**We require open minds, open hearts and understanding of these dogs histories and that you are wanting to be a part of their final story!**

**We have 4 page application, every word is important and needs to be read thoroughly to understand our adoption process and our requirements.**

**OUR Policy : - We will not adopt out any full Pits out of state or over 1.5 hours away from foster.**

 **– We do not adopt any type of herding breeds, huskies, shepherds & large breeds to families without experience and/or children under the age of 7. Same goes for small breed dogs.**

**- Adopters need to understand their breeds – example: if you are planning to have kids don’t adopt herding breeds**

**- We do not adopt out same sex. Example: if you have a male dog then you must adopt a female**

**APPLICATION TO ADOPT**

Adoption Inquiries: Cris Tornetta PH: 267-372-2276 E-mail:Hemlockedgerescue@yahoo.com

**Name of Adoptee applying for:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Info:** (You must be over 21 to apply & supporting your household for over 2yrs.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Members in Home Names & Ages(self): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Is anyone in the Home Special needs? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Pets In Home( Sex/Age/Breed): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are your current dogs socialized? **Y / N** Have they shared their home/parents before? **Y / N**

**All Current Animals in Home Must Be Altered & Vaccinated Unless Proven Medical Condition from Vet!**

**If Your Pup/Cat Is NOT Altered, We Will Help Assist You with Scheduling Your Pet with Our Clinics for Sterilization!**

What Experience Do you have with this Breed or Dogs? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Did you do your Homework/Research on this breed your applying for? **Y / N**

Have you raised/trained a Puppy before? **Y / N** Do you understand that puppyhood lasts up to 2/3yrs? **Y / N**

Does everyone in your Household have Patience? Y / N Anyone Have Dog allergies? Y / N

Comments:

Have you Rescued Before? **Y / N** If Yes, from: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have You Returned an Adopted pet before? **Y / N** If Yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Family Vet: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Personal Reference: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Own / Rent?** If Rent, landlord: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Fenced Yard: **Y /N** If Yes, Kind? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**We are a foster home-based rescue. All our adoptable companions are in foster/family homes until adoption.**

**CAREFULLY READ EVERYTHING BELOW, SIGN THAT YOU AGREE AND SUBMIT THE APP:**

1. Consider any allergies you or anyone in your house/immediate family may have before adopting.
2. Adopting a new dog requires patience and respect in order to successfully train your new companion. We expect our adopters to understand that new dogs in new environments take TIME (weeks/months) to adjust to new schedules and routines. Remember when Appling for puppies: mouthy, nippy, teething, jumpy.. lots of fun, chewing and lots of work. If you have little kids understand they will be focus of the puppy’s attention for play. Make sure your kids are puppy proofed.
3. Resident dogs must be on **Heartworm/GI Parasite** & Flea/Tick Preventative. Before bringing in a new pup.
4. All dogs are required by law to have a State Dog License. Before completing the adoption process, we will require proof that all dogs currently in the home have their yearly/lifetime license. <http://padoglicense.com/> This must be done before THE TRIAL BEGINS!
5. \*Understand the work and dedication that Hemlock Edge Rescue performs and that when you adopt a dog from any rescue, they trust that the lives they have saved are going to loving homes that are committed and have a plan for unforeseen events (marriage, divorce, babies, moving). It is imperative to understand that life changes should not lead to neglecting the animal(s) or returns. You agree to utilize all available resources to help you see through your commitment in order to avoid a return.

 IE: trainers, boarding facilities, daycare, dog walkers & simply making the time and effort.

***If you are currently pregnant or becoming pregnant and this is your first dog and/or first dog and first baby, please stop and don’t not apply. Allow your new family to get settled before adding in a furchild.***

1. \*\*If you are adopting and already have dogs in the household. If your current Dog has NOT been socialized, we will not continue with this adoption. We will not put any dogs in uncomfortable situations.
2. ***If you are applying for a “Bully Breed” (pit-bulldog-mastiff) please do your homework on Breed Specific Restrictions/Laws (BSL). Check if your county/state has restrictions before submitting this APP. Utilize all resources regarding training & personal education.***
3. **VIRTUAL HOME CHECKS ARE REQUIRED IF YOU *DO NOT HAVE RESIDENT DOGS.***
4. **IF YOU HAVE RESIDENT DOGS, We will conduct a meet with your current pups at the time of the home check at your property.** SO WE CAN SUPERVISE THE DOGS, AND SET YOU UP FOR A SUCCESSFUL FOSTER TRAIL TO BEGIN.

**Adoption Fees:**

Adoption fees may be Discounted depending on health, age, or multiple adoptions. Any Adoption Fees/Payments or Deposits paid to Hemlock Edge Rescue are non-refundable but are transferable.

* There is a non-refundable adoption fee required of $450 for dogs **OVER 6months** to 8yrs old.
* There is a non-refundable adoption fee required of $525 for dogs **UNDER 6months (puppies)**

**-Puppies leave for adoption @ 10weeks of age to start their Trial. They are scheduled to return to HER for final Vetting & Spay/Neuter at 12weeks of age. There is no Exception to this process.**

* $50 deposit required for adoptions due at the ***beginning of trial****.* This to be paid to your interviewer during the home check. This is to ensure your serious commitment. Balance of adoption fee is due at end of your Trial.
* Dogs 8yrs and over are considered Senior Adoption fee of $250.

Adoption fees cover:

* Pre-Adoption Vetting (surgeries & treatments)
* UTD with Vaccines
* Microchip & Lifetime Registration
* Current 1year PA Dog license
* Spayed / Neutered
* Parasite/Virus tested
* Transport from southern areas
* 30 days Heartworm/Flea/Tick prevention to adopters
* Hemlock Business operations and expenses
* Hemlock support through the whole 2 weeks trial and for LIFETIME of the adopted companion.

 We are ensuring your adoptee is happy and healthy.

Our 2 week *foster to adopt* program is designed to ensure a perfect match. Once your household with the new pet is acclimated and you are ready to make the commitment, we will sign the adoption paperwork. If this trial doesn’t work out with the adoptee, they come back to foster, and we will work with you to find the right fit. We are dedicated to the cause and by spending more time finding the right fit, more dogs will find homes, ultimately fulfilling our mission.

**Hemlock Edge Rescue (*HER*) operates by a 4-step / 2 WEEK FOSTER TO ADOPT adoption process:**

1. **Application**: Thoroughly review this application, make sure you understand how we operate and what we expect from our adopters.
2. **Meet:** *HER* will set up a Personal/Human meet and greet with the adoptee and Foster parent. Please ask as many questions as you need during the meet. Make sure you understand the process. (**Leave your pup at home.) See 7, 8 & 9 on page 3.**
3. **BEGIN Foster Trial:** Cris/*HER* will schedule with you to complete the application interview and homecheck. We will then get you prepared for the 2 WEEK foster trial to begin! **See 7, 8 & 9 on page 3.**

\*\*\*IF YOU ARE MORE THEN 1.5 HOURS AWAY FROM THE FOSTER HOME, AND NOT #7 THEN WE WILL WORK OUT DETAILS TO CONDUCT THE MEET WITH YOUR PUPS.

1. **Adoption:** Once the 2 weeks trial is over and you are committed to your new companion, you will schedule an appointment with Cris/*HER* to sign the adoption contract and pay adoption fee.

**\*Make sure you have your *CURRENT* Dogs PA license, Rabies certificate & Alter paperwork available for us to review, during interview.**

As the Applicant, your signing that you UNDERSTAND our policy, our fees and process.

You are ready prepared for the LIFETIME commitment of adoption.

**Thank you for applying and wishing to save a life by adopting.**

**We will contact you ASAP to set up the next step.**

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