



DC Shiba Inu Rescue

Application for Adoption

We strongly recommend that you read our detailed adoption process at <http://dcsir.org/adoptionfoster-forms/> before completing an application to ensure that you are eligible to adopt in our area and for the specific dog(s) you are interested in. Fill out the application as completely and honestly as possible. Email completed applications to adoption@dcsir.org. Please note that DC Shiba Inu Rescue (DCSIR) is comprised entirely of volunteers who work full-time jobs. We try to respond to each application as quickly as possible.

Acknowledgement

The information I have provided is correct and true to the best of my knowledge and I have not withheld any pertinent information. I understand that any misrepresentation of me or my family or any untruths of the information I have provided herein that are discovered at a later date will invalidate any adoption agreement and will give DC Shiba Inu Rescue the right to reclaim the dog without my permission and without refund of any adoption donation. Submittal of this form provides my agreement to this adoption application.

By typing my name below, I am signing this application electronically.

Name / Date

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The adoption fees are as follows:

Senior 10+ yrs	\$ 250
Adult 1 yr to 9 yrs	\$ 350
Puppies up to 1 yr	\$ 500

Have you submitted an application for a dog to DCSIR before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which dog(s)?

Name of the dog(s) you are interested in currently: _____

Have you read the requirements and specific concerns for the dog(s) that you are interested in? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Information for each dog can be found in their Facebook album and on our website.

Applicant(s) Information (If more than one applicant, please list information for both)

Name	
Street Address	
City, State	
Phone Number	
Email Address	



Employment Information (If more than one applicant, please list information for both)

Occupation	
Employer	
Employer's Address City, State	
Employer's Phone Number	
How long have you worked for this company?	

Living Situation

How long have you lived at your current address?	
Do you have any plans to move? If yes, when and where?	
Do you own the property or are you renting? Please describe the property (single family, condo, town house, etc.).	
If renting, does your landlord allow dogs? If so, what size and breeds are allowed?	
Do you have a fully fenced in yard? If so, what is the material and height?	
If your yard is not fenced, are you willing to fence an area or kennel run?	

1. Do you have other adults living with you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please list their names and relationship to you.

2. Who will be the primary caretaker of your dog?

3. Will anyone else be involved in training, caring, or making decisions for the dog? If yes, please list and describe their role.

4. Do you have children who live with you or visit your home on a regular basis? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please list their names and ages.



5. What experience do the children have with pets (handling, care, etc.)?

6. How do the children react to dogs?

7. Is anyone allergic to dogs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

8. Is anyone afraid of dogs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9. How often do visitors come to your home? How many typically?

Pet Experience

10. Have you owned dogs before? ☐ Yes ☐ No If so, how many? _____

What was their breed?

What happened to them?

11. Have you owned other pets (cats, birds, etc.) before? ☐ Yes ☐ No If so, how many? _____

What was their breed?

What happened to them?



12. Have you surrendered/returned/rehomed a pet before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, where was he/she surrendered or rehomed (shelter, rescue, family, friends, Craigslist, etc.)?

Please describe the circumstances.

13. Do you have any pets in the house now? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please list their breed, gender, age, and temperament.

14. Besides your pets, are there any other pets (dogs, cats, etc.) who live with you or visit your home on a regular basis? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please specify.

15. Please list potential pet interactions in or outside the home including with visitors, on trips, around the neighborhood, during errands, etc.

16. Can you think of any potential problems with the pets in the house or those you see regularly?



Training

Which of the following would you use to train a dog? (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Muzzle | <input type="checkbox"/> Clicker | <input type="checkbox"/> Prong Collar | <input type="checkbox"/> Choke Collar | <input type="checkbox"/> E-Collar/Electric Collar |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leash Pop | <input type="checkbox"/> Games | <input type="checkbox"/> Invisible Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Praise | <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal Corrections |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food/Treats | <input type="checkbox"/> Spray Bottle | <input type="checkbox"/> Toys | <input type="checkbox"/> Can of Coins | <input type="checkbox"/> Air Horn |

17. Comment on the effectiveness of any of the above. If you have never had a pet, please discuss why you would pick any of the above to train a dog.

18. What would you do if your dog growls at you?

19. What would you do if your dog growls at another dog?

20. Have you ever been bit by a dog? If yes, please describe what happened.



21. What would you consider to be a serious dog bite?

22. Have you ever broken up a dog fight? If yes, please describe what happened.

23. Have you ever taken a dog to a training facility? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please name, provide a website link, and comment on the effectiveness of the training you received.

24. Will you take your new dog to a training facility? Yes No

If yes, which one and why? Please provide website link.

25. Describe two pet behavior problems you have worked through and how you solved the problem. (For example: Soiling in the house, growling, pulling on the leash, won't come when called, dog not eating food, etc.)

26. To your understanding, how are dominance training and reward-based training different? Which approach would you use and why?

Dog Care

27. How many hours will your dog be left alone daily?

28. Where will your dog be when you are out of the house?

29. Where will your dog sleep?

30. Will your dog be restricted from any places in your house? (Check all that apply)

☐ Couch

☐ Bed

☐ Chairs

☐ Carpet/Rugs

☐ No Restrictions

☐ Kitchen

☐ Bedrooms

☐ Living Room

☐ Dining Room

☐ Other

Please explain.

31. Will your dog be crated or restrained?

32. Will your dog be tied outside?

33. How often will your dog be walked? Where and by whom?



34. How often will your dog be played with? By whom?

35. What do you expect your daily routine to be with your new dog?

36. How would you bond or build your relationship with your dog?

37. Who will care for your dog if you are away overnight or on vacation?

38. Are there any unusual circumstances your dog will need to adapt to? Yes No
If yes, please specify:

39. How much have you budgeted to care for your dog on an annual basis?

Nutrition

40. What brands and types of food do you feed your dog?



41. Do you know what raw feeding is? ☐ Yes ☐ No
How do you feel about raw feeding? List any concerns.

Current Pets (Skip if no pets currently)

42. How does your current dog or pet interact with other dogs?

43. How does your current dog or pet interact with people?

44. What do you use to walk your dog? (Check all that apply)

☐ Choke Collar ☐ E-Collar ☐ Prong Collar ☐ Head Halter
☐ Harness ☐ Martingale ☐ Other

Please describe the effectiveness.

45. How would you integrate the new dog with your current pet(s)?



Additional Information

46. Why do you want a dog?

47. What age range are you looking for? Why?

48. Do you prefer a male or female dog? ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Either If have preference, why?

49. Under what circumstances would you return a dog to DCSIR?

50. Describe the traits that made you interested in a Shiba Inu. What do you like or dislike about the breed?

51. Where did you hear about DC Shiba Inu Rescue? _____

52. Do you feel financially able to care for a dog for its lifetime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

53. Do you feel physically able to care for a dog for its lifetime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

54. Please feel free to add any other information you think would be useful for us to know.



References (This section is mandatory)

Please list two references: Do not list family members. References must have known you personally for more than one year. *If more than one applicant, please provide at least one reference per person.*

1. Name: _____
Relation or credentials (not family): _____
Phone #: _____

2. Name: _____
Relation or credentials (not family): _____
Phone #: _____

Landlord/Rental Information (This section is mandatory if you are renting)

We will only contact your landlord/rental office in the final stages. You can skip this section if you can provide a contract from your landlord/rental office stating that dogs are allowed.

1. Name: _____
Phone #: _____
Email address: _____

Thank You!

This application was designed to help us get to know you and what is important to you in bringing a new dog into your family. If some of the questions seem personal, it's because the more we know about you, the better we are able to assess the long-term fit for one of our rescue dogs.

DC Shiba Inu Rescue tries its best to match the personality and temperament of each dog to the lifestyle and environment of the adopter. If you are not approved for a particular dog, it does not mean that you are not approved for all dogs. Many applicants do not receive the first dog that they apply for. You can see daily updates and albums for our rescue dogs at www.facebook.com/DCShibaInuRescue and learn more about our organization at www.dcsir.org. Thank you for your interest in a rescue Shiba Inu!