



# Adoption Application (must be over the age of 21)

Surname name: \_\_\_\_\_ Given name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current drivers licence number: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live in a House / Unit / Townhouse / Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own / rent / share your home? (Written permission from the landlord/body corp must be supplied)

Describe your fencing - Type: Paling / Wire / Colorbond / Other \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_

Your family -

Pets current and previous -

Name	Age

Species/Breed	Name	Age	Sex

Have all the adults in your home agreed to this adoption? Yes  No

Describe your lifestyle. Please give as much detail as possible so we can best match you with one of our dogs (very active with lots of sports, laid back, like to stay at home, very social etc) –

Describe yourself as a dog owner. Please give as much detail as possible so we can best match you with one of our dogs (e.g. can teach basic obedience but nothing more, treat them like my baby) –

Why would you like to adopt a staffy/amstaff? (companion for self, companion for other dog, watchdog) -

Describe the type of dog you are looking for. Please give as much detail as possible so we can best match you with one of our dogs (staffy or amstaff, age, colour, height, active, easy going, couch potato etc) –

Describe the dogs living arrangements at your home (inside, outside or both, when allowed inside access, sleeping arrangement, shelter while outside etc) –

How long will the dog be left alone in a 24hr period? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to maintain vaccinations, worming and flea treatment when required? Yes  No

Are you willing to provide a reference from your current veterinarian? Yes  No

Describe the steps you would take if your new dog escaped from your yard –

Have you adopted a rescue pet before? If yes please provide details –

Have you had to surrender or rehome a pet before? If yes please provide details -

If you adopt a puppy or dog who is not housetrained, how will you houstrain the dog?

Properly cared for dogs can cost more than \$1500 per year. This includes yearly vaccinations, vet check-ups, dog supplies, potential training, possible boarding, good quality food, unforeseen medical expenses.

Are you financially able and committed to spend this kind of money on the dog? Yes  No

I understand if I adopt a STAFFIES UNITED RESCUE dog with behaviour issues I am liable to provide ongoing professional training for the dog Yes  No

I understand if I adopt a STAFFIES UNITED RESCUE dog with medical issues I am liable to provide ongoing veterinarian treatment for the dog Yes  No

Are you happy for a STAFFIES UNITED RESCUE representative to conduct an interview and house/yard check? Yes  No

Are you able to take the dog upon approval? Yes  No

(If you answer 'No' to this question and require STAFFIES UNITED RESCUE to keep the dog in care for a period of time a fee will be charged at \$50 per week. This fee will cover food and board only. Any addition requirements will need to be discussed with a STAFFIES UNITED RESCUE representative).

## **Staffies United Rescue Adoption Agreement:**

- I understand that Staffies United Rescue has the right to deny my request to adopt in any situation that would be contrary to the Staffies United Rescue policies, the Animal Care and Protection Act 2001, or any other legal requirement or when not in the best interest of the dog.
- I agree that Staffies United Rescue has the right to seize the adopted dog should they become aware of any situation that would be in contrary to the Animal Care and Protection Act 2001, or any other legal requirement or when in the best interest of the dog.
- I agree to pay the full cost of the adoption fee prior to picking up the dog.
- I understand I have a 2 week period after the adoption of the dog where I am able to return the dog to Staffies United Rescue. I will contact Staffies United Rescue and arrange a mutual convenient time for both parties to return the dog and all relevant paperwork to Staffies United Rescue. I agree I am liable for all costs relating to returning the dog to Staffies United Rescue. I understand a \$50 administration fee applies and all other funds will be reimbursed.
- I understand the dog may cause damage to my property and other properties and agree Staffies United Rescue or any Staffies United Rescue representative will not be held liable.
- Should the dog cause damage to a human I agree Staffies United Rescue will not be held liable.
- I understand the dog may have behaviour issues and these issues have been explained to me in full by a Staffies United Rescue representative. I agree to provide all professional training required and work with Staffies United Rescue toward improving the dogs' behaviour issues. I also agree Staffies United Rescue is not held liable for any ongoing cost for the professional training.
- I agree a Staffies United Rescue representative has fully explained to me any medical condition/s the dog may have and agree Staffies United Rescue is not held liable for any ongoing veterinarian costs associated with the medical condition/s. I agree to prove all ongoing veterinarian treatment as soon as the dog comes into my care.
- I agree upon adopting a Staffies United Rescue dog that I will not sell, transfer ownership or Staffies United Rescue to a shelter or other rescue without first allowing Staffies United Rescue the option to rehome the dog.
- I agree to provide professional veterinarian care for any disease, injury, and yearly vaccinations.
- I agree to have the adopted dog registered and microchip information updated at all times.
- I agree Staffies United Rescue will not be held liable for any costs incurred should the adopted dog become involved in an altercation with another animal.
- I agree to provide adequate food, clean water and comfortable bedding and adequate space to accommodate the dog.
- I agree to provide a safe, fully enclosed area at all times which prevents the dog from escaping or any other animal obtaining access to them.

- I agree to supply Staffies United Rescue with photographs of my property and a copy of my current drivers licence.
- I understand and agree that Staffies United Rescue can use any photographs I send via text message, social media, email or other of the adopted dog in updates on websites and social media.

### **Adopting a pup (under 6mths old)**

- I understand a pups needs are different and more demanding than those to an adult dog. I am willing to educate myself and my family of these needs. I acknowledge I am able and encouraged to contact a Staffies United Rescue representative for any information regarding bringing a pup into my family.
- I agree if the pup has not received its full course of vaccinations, I will not introduce it to other animals, nor take it to the park or other outside environments before it is fully vaccinated.
- I agree to not isolate a new pup from the rest of my family as this may cause behavioural problems.
- I acknowledge a Staffies United Rescue representative has discussed the vaccination schedule for the pup and I agree to maintain this schedule.
- I understand a Staffies United Rescue representative will contact me when the pup is due for desexing. I agree to have the pup desexed at 6 months of age and Staffies United Rescue will pay the cost as per their recommended vet fees. If I have the pup desexed at a different vet and the cost exceeds Staffies United Rescue recommended vet fee I will pay the excess.
- I agree to provide Staffies United Rescue with a copy of the vaccination schedule from my veterinarian before the pup is booked in for desexing. Should I not have the vaccination schedule up to date I forfeit Staffies United Rescue responsibility to pay for the desexing of the pup.

### **Interstate Adoption**

- I agree and accept all the above conditions.
- I agree Staffies United Rescue will organise the transport but I am liable for the entire cost of the transport.
- If Staffies United Rescue agrees for the dog to travel in my vehicle I agree to not put any undue stress on the dog during transportation. This includes, and is not limited to, allowing regular toilet break stops and ensuring the dog is well hydrated at all times.
- If Staffies United Rescue agrees for the dog to travel in my vehicle I agree to keep the dog in a travel harness and seat belt secured inside the vehicle for the duration of transport.
- I agree I am completely liable should anything happen to the dog during transportation.

- I agree to contact Staffies United Rescue should I no longer want to keep the dog. I agree Staffies United Rescue will organize the return travel for the dog and I will be liable for all costs relating to the return travel.
- I agree to supply a Statutory Declaration to Staffies United Rescue stating I am liable for all costs associated with the transport of the dog including costs relating for the return of the dog to Staffies United Rescue. And Staffies United Rescue is not held liable for any damage the dog may cause during the transport. I agree to submit the authorised Statutory Declaration prior to the dog leaving the care of Staffies United Rescue.

### DECLARATION

By signing this application, I certify that the information I have provided is true and correct and I am registering my interest in adopting a dog from Staffies United Rescue. I understand any misrepresentation of facts may result in STAFFIES UNITED RESCUE denying my request to adopt.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

### CHECKLIST

I have completed the Adoption Application in full

I have attached written approval from my landlord/real estate (if applicable)

I have attached a written reference from my current vet (if you currently have animals)

I have attached a copy of my photo ID (e.g. licence)

I have attached current photographs of my property or a video of my property

I have attached a copy of the authorised Statutory Declaration (Interstate Adoptions only)