



4 Paws for Ability
253 Dayton Avenue
Xenia, OH 45385

Guardian Home Application

When a family houses a breeding dog, they enter a long term partnership with 4 Paws for Ability as a Guardian Home. 4 Paws supplies the breeding dog to the family; however it is the family's responsibility to follow all the rules and guidelines set forth by 4 Paws. Ownership remains with 4 Paws while the breeder dog is in our program, and the care of the dog is shared between 4 Paws and the Guardian Home. Once the breeder dog retires from the breeding program, ownership is transferred to the Guardian Home when they sign an adoption contract. Following is specific information as it pertains to each gender.

Female Breeder Dogs

Female Breeder Information:

- This dog is in your home as a pet only; she is not a service dog and does not have the public access rights of a service dog.
- 4 Paws will breed the female when she is physically mature and passed her health clearances which are generally when she is 18-24 months old.
- All the puppies whelped by the breeder female belong to 4 Paws
- The breeder dog must not be bred outside of 4 Paws; no other litters may be produced by the family.
- The breeder dog will be at 4 Paws for breeding purposes an average of 2 weeks.
- The female will whelp at 4 Paws and will stay until the puppies are weaned, generally about 6 weeks.
- Females are spayed by 4 Paws upon retirement, and then ownership is transferred to the Guardian Home.
- This dog is not a service dog though many families choose to do therapy work with their 4 Paws Breeder Dogs.

4 Paws is responsible for...

- Vet care if done at the 4 Paws Center (this includes annual vaccines, heartworm medication, flea/tick preventative, health exams, hip and elbow xrays, progesterone testing, and other expenses related to breeding)
- A start up set of supplies which include (loan of kennel, dog food, toys, leash, and collar)
- Dog food when received from 4 Paws
- Care of the dog prior, during, and after the whelping (a six-eight week process)
- Care of all the puppies produced by the breeder dog

- Boarding the breeder dog if the family chooses

Breeder home is responsible for...

- Ongoing care and supplies for breeder dog (grooming, feeding, exercise, etc)
- The Guardian Home must notify 4 Paws upon each heat cycle and transport the female breeder dog to 4 Paws when requested.
- Handling the dog during a heat cycle (on average 3 weeks two times a year), however the breeder dog can always return to 4 Paws for the heat cycle. If you choose to keep your breeder during her cycle 4 Paws will provide sanitary clothing and you must make sure that no intact males have access to her.

Male Breeder Dogs

Male Breeder Information:

- This dog is in your home as a pet only; he is not a service dog and does not have the public access rights of a service dog.
- Males remain intact their entire lives, until 4 Paws determines the male will be neutered and retired from the breeder program
- Male dogs may not be used for stud purposes outside the breeding done here at 4 Paws.
- This dog is not a service dog though many families choose to do therapy work with their 4 Paws Breeder Dogs.

4 Paws is responsible for...

- Vet care if done at the 4 Paws Center (this includes annual vaccines, heartgard and frontline, health exams, hip and elbow xrays, sperm counts, and other expenses related to breeding)
- Care of all the puppies produced by the breeder dog
- Boarding the dog if the family chooses

Breeder home is responsible for...

- Standard care of the dog (food, treats, kennel, toys, and any other needs they may have) just like any other pet who is a member of the family
- Transporting the breeder dog to 4 Paws within a day of the request (we may have the dog for a few days to a week or more to complete the breeding process)

4 Paws values our guardian homes! These dogs are the future of 4 Paws and mean a great deal to us. If there is a breach of contract, unfortunately the dog will have to be removed from the breeding home and returned to 4 Paws.

If you think that you could handle taking on this great task of helping us assure that the kids who come to us for service dogs in the years to come will be able to receive the companions they need then complete and return the application below.



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Name:

Date:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Street Address:

City:

State:

I have read the above information and am interested in fostering a FEMALE in the breeder program.

I have read the above information and am interested in fostering a MALE in the breeder program.

Zip Code:

If you already know which breeder dog you are interested in, please tell us:

Regarding your current residence, do you:

Own

Rent

House

Apartment/Condo

If you rent please provide:

Landlord Name:

Landlord Phone:

Do you have a fenced yard for exercising your dog:

Fence

No Fence

Describe your fence:

If no, do you have access to a fenced area:

Access to Fence

No Access to Fence

Explain how you will provide for the dog's exercise:

4 Paws recommends that, to facilitate the bonding process, the families with breeding dogs should attend an obedience class in your community. Would you be willing to participate in this training? Yes No

If no, please provide a brief explanation of why you do not feel that you need to participate in an obedience class:

If you go on vacation who will care for your dog? (4 Paws breeding dogs may be housed at 4 Paws while you are on vacation).

How many adults live in your home?

Do all the adults in the home know that you plan to adopt this dog and are they in agreement?

Yes No

How many children live with you?

Name:

Name:

Age:

Age:

Name:

Name:

Age:

Age:

Have they been exposed to dogs?

Yes No

If yes, explain what contact they have had.

Who will care for your dog?

Where will your dog live? Where will your new dog spend their time?

Please be specific.

Daytime

Night

When you are not home

Approximately how many hours each day do you anticipate that your new Dog will be home alone? Please check only one.

Three hours or less.

More than three hours, but less than six hours.

More than six hours, but less than eight hours.

More than eight hours, but less than twelve hours.

More than twelve hours, but less than eighteen hours.

If you checked more than six hours or longer in the question above, what provisions will you make for the dog to relieve itself and get exercise during your absence?

What other cats or dogs do you currently have?

Name:

Type of Animal:

Age:

Sex:

Spayed/Neutered?

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Type of Animal:

Age:

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Where do your cats and dogs live?

If you currently own a dog, is your dog current on Heartworm medication?

Yes No

If no, explain

Are all pets current on all vaccinations?

Yes No

If no, explain

Do you understand how many years you would be making a commitment to the dog adopted? How many years do you think you would have to care for your dog?

Do you understand the responsibility of housing a breeding dog and are you able to handle these responsibilities as discussed above and what are your thoughts on them?

Are you familiar with the breed of dog that you want to house? Explain:

What are the reasons you would return a dog that you were housing for us?

What other pets do you have (other than the dogs and cats listed above)?

Have you had any other pets in the last 10 years?

If you have had any other pets in the past 10 years, please list the pets you have had below (this does not include any pets you have currently, and have previously listed on this application).

Name:
Type of Animal:
Age:
Sex:
What happened to this animal?

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Your Employment Information

Spouse's Employment Information

Occupation:

Occupation:

Employer's Name:

Employer's Name:

Employer's Address:

Employer's Address:

Employer's Phone:

Employer's Phone:

Length of Employment:

Length of Employment:

Do you currently have a veterinarian or is there a veterinarian who you used in the past?

Name of Practice:

Phone:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

How long have you used this vet?

Please list 3 personal references other than your veterinarian:

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Please Initial here:

Please date here: