**Nebraska Boston Terrier Rescue**

**Foster Application**

**What is a Foster Home?**

* A Foster Home is a home where a rescued, unwanted or otherwise needy Boston terrier can live and be loved until a permanent home is available that meets its special needs.
* Foster homes are not for persons just wanting to adopt a Boston terrier. They are for persons willing to open their hearts to help the Boston terrier along its way, understanding that he/she will eventually be going to a “forever home.”

**Responsibilities of a Foster Home**

1. Fostering a rescue dog is a huge responsibility, and one that must be accepted by your entire family.
2. Provide for the foster Boston terrier with basic needs of food, shelter, treats, toys and love.  This care would be in a home situation, not a kennel.
3. To provide a fenced area for the foster Boston terrier to play and exercise in safety.
4. To make veterinary appointments for shots, altering and other medical needs identified plus provide transportation to these appointment(s). The Rescue Group pays for all veterinarian and medication costs, but not for gas or time.
5. To give medication when needed which would include heartworm preventative pills and other medications as required for good health.
6. To keep the foster Boston terrier groomed. Grooming requirements include bathing, brushing the coat, cleaning the ears, brushing the teeth, trimming the nails, cleaning nose flaps and face wrinkles. The foster parent if knowledgeable can do this grooming, otherwise a Rescue Agent will schedule time to visit.
7. To report progress, special personality traits, behavior and any “issues” that need to be addressed and passed on to the new family and personal recommendations for placement to the Rescue Committee.
8. To keep accurate financial records concerning expenditures made on the foster Boston terrier. The total will be included in the collected donation from the new owner.
9. Items provided to the foster home by Rescue include: a harness, a leash, dog shampoo and crate. NOT provided by Rescue and are required by the foster home are: food, food/water bowls, treats, toys, and bedding material.
10. Please remember there are as many exceptions as there are rules. So unusual situations should be discussed with the Rescue Committee.
11. If approved as a foster home, we agree to all the above.

In an effort to find the best possible foster home for each of our rescue dogs, NE Boston Terrier Rescue asks that you take the time to complete this application and discuss any questions you may have with a rescue agent.

Date:

**Basic Information**

First Name:

Last Name:

Email:

Address:

City/Town:

State:      ZIP:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Work Phone:

Best Time to Call:

Occupation(s):

**Household Information**

Please list all members of the household (include yourself and any children)

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| Name | Age | Relation |
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Is anyone in your house allergic to dogs?

Who will primarily responsible for the dog?

**House & Fence Information**

Do you own or rent your home? [ ]  Own [ ]  Rent

*\* Please note that renters must include documentation from the landlord that dogs this size are allowed to live in this dwelling.*

What style is your home? [ ] Ranch [ ] Two Story

Where will this dog be kept…

While you are at work?

At bedtime?

When no one is home?

When you are on vacation?

On average, how long will the dog be alone each day?

Exercise and elimination for the dog will be by:

[ ] Doggie door [ ] Totally fenced in yard

***\*****NE Boston Terrier Rescue requires a totally fenced in yard for ALL foster dogs. It is for the safety and well being of the dogs that we require this. We know that Boston terriers are indoor dogs, however due to their activity level they still require freedom outdoors without a leash. If you do not currently have a fenced yard, but are planning on getting one, please continue to complete and submit this application.*  ***If there are no plans for a fence you will not qualify.***

Chose the height of your fence: [ ] 4ft [ ] 5ft [ ] 6ft

Choose the type of fence: [ ] Wood [ ] Plastic [ ] Chainlink

**Veterinarian Information**

Please list the contact information for the veterinarian you will use for this dog

Clinic Name:

Phone Number:

Address:

**Current Pets**

Please list all types of pets currently in the household (if no pets, please skip to next section)

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| Type (cat, dog, etc) | Breed | Age | Spayed/Neutered | Gender |
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If one or more of your pets is NOT spayed or neutered, please explain why:

Do your pets get along with one another?

Do your dogs socialize outside of their pack?

Are all pets up to date on shots?

Do you free feed (leave food out all day) for your pets? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Are your pets on a feeding schedule? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

**Fostering Information**

Are you familiar with the Boston terrier breed? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Have you fostered a pet before? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Have you worked with any rescue groups before? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

If so, which ones?

Do you have experience house training a dog? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Do you have experience caring for sick animals? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Would you foster a dog that is not housebroken? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Would you foster a dog that has some health problems? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Would you foster a dog that has some behavior problems? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Have you taken any dog obedience training classes? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Have you taken pet first aid? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Are you experienced in giving oral medication to a dog? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Are you experienced in giving injections to a dog? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Are you able to transport a dog to the vet? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

What method(s) of discipline do you use when correcting a dog?

What age range of dog would you prefer to foster?

What gender of dog would you prefer to foster?

Would you consider fostering a Boston terrier mix? [ ] Yes [ ]  No

Additional information or skills that may assist us in finding the proper foster pet for you:

By submitting this form you are certifying that:

* All information contained above is true and correct
* You are over 18 years of age and the person responsible for making pet decisions in your family
* You agree to abide by all state and local pet control and leash laws. You understand it is your responsibility to become familiar with these laws.

The next step is to provide your Rescue Agent with this completed foster application by emailing it or mailing it back to Nebraska Boston Terrier Rescue. See below for addresses. Your application will be reviewed and if additional information is needed you will be contacted and a home visit will then be scheduled.

Once completed, please email to our rescue agent, Jenifer Spencer at: jenjen25@aol.com

Or mail to:

Jennifer Spencer

13538 Parker Street

Omaha, NE 68154

402-691-0576 (please call only between the hours of 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. CST)

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