



Austin Sheltie Rescue Foster Application

Austin Sheltie Rescue
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After you have read the description of our foster home information, please complete the questions below, sign, and return to **Austin Sheltie Rescue** using one of the methods at the end of the form. Thank you for helping us with this greatest of rescue needs.

Name: _____

Address: _____

(Apt. #): _____

City: _____ **State:** ____ **Zip:** _____

Home Phone with Area Code: _____

Occupation: _____

Work Phone with Area Code: _____

Mobile Phone with Area Code: _____

E-mail: _____

1. Do you live in a house? _____ Apartment? _____ Condo? _____

For safety reasons, **Austin Sheltie Rescue** does not place our shelties in mobile/trailer homes.

Do you rent? _____ Own? _____

If you rent, do you have the landlord's permission to keep a dog? _____

Please attach the form to your application.

If you rent, do you understand the dog must be exercised on a leash in a safe place? _____

Do you have a yard? _____ Is it fenced? _____

Single dwelling homes must have a fence to protect sometimes nervous rescued shelties that might tend to bolt

What type of fencing? _____ chain _____ wood _____ other (please describe)

2. Is someone home during the day? _____ Please explain:

3. What provisions will be made for your foster sheltie if nobody is home during the day?

Loose inside? _____ In crate? _____
Our rescued shelties must be kept indoors

4. Where will the dog sleep? Please explain:

5. Please explain your responses below. During the last two years:

- a) Have you lost a pet (not through death)?
- b) Have you had one poisoned?
- c) Have you had an animal killed by a vehicle?
- d) Have you had an animal die due to disease?

If yes, what did the animal die of?

6. Do you have children at home? Yes _____ No _____ Number: _____ Age(s): _____

7. Do you have other pets at home? Yes _____ No _____ Number: _____ Ages(s): _____

If Yes, are the pets neutered? Yes _____ No _____

Due to the many health benefits accruing from spaying and neutering, as well as to prevent accidental litters, we require that all resident pets must be neutered/spayed. However, we do welcome knowledgeable, professional breeders who are members of the ASSA and their local breed clubs and who would like to work with our program to help our shelties.

If Yes, are the pets vaccinated and on heartworm preventative? Yes _____ No _____

If Yes, do your pets get along with other dogs? Yes _____ No _____

8. **Austin Sheltie Rescue** will provide all medical care, heartworm and parasite preventative. Are you prepared to assume the responsibilities of feeding, bathing, grooming, and caring for your rescue sheltie, including emotional rehabilitation for a traumatized dog and crating for a dog going through heartworm treatment?

Yes _____ No _____

9. Will you follow all veterinarian instructions provided and administer all prescription medications and H/W preventative to your foster?

Yes _____ No _____

10. Are you prepared to keep your foster crated if going through H/W treatment?

Yes _____ No _____

11. Are you prepared to assume the responsibilities of contacting **Austin Sheltie Rescue** for any medical emergencies? (For example, if a dog is going through heartworm treatment and begins throwing up and becomes listless, this may be an emergency).

Yes _____ No _____

12. Do you agree that **Austin Sheltie Rescue** will make all medical and adoption decisions for our program dogs?

Yes _____ No _____

13. Will you let **Austin Sheltie Rescue** know if you are planning to take your foster out of town or state for family visits or recreation?

Yes _____ No _____

14. Though **Austin Sheltie Rescue** does not accept vicious dogs into our program, we do not know the histories of many of our rescues. Are you prepared to contact **Austin Sheltie Rescue** immediately if your foster dog bites anyone or injures another pet? Yes _____ No _____

15. Will you keep the dog confined in a fenced yard when let outdoors, walk/exercise the dog regularly, and allow the dog indoors?

Yes _____ No _____

16. Do you understand that shelties are known for being 'barkers'? Yes _____ No _____

17. Do you understand that shelties can be shy and aloof with new people? Yes _____ No: _____

18. Do you understand that only **Austin Sheltie Rescue** may place your foster sheltie in an adoptive home?

Yes _____ No _____

19. Foster parents are encouraged to maintain an 'aunt' or 'uncle' relationship with the dog in their care; but it does occasionally happen that the foster parent and dog bond so completely that adoption into this home is best for the dog and family, which we would be happy to work with. Do you understand that if you wish to adopt your foster sheltie, you must complete the adoption papers and pay the \$300 adoption fee (\$350 for puppies under 1 year; \$150 for dogs 10+ years)?

Yes _____ No _____

20. Are you willing to allow a **Austin Sheltie Rescue** representative to visit your home by appointment?

Yes: _____ No: _____

21. Name and phone number of your Vet:

I hereby authorize the veterinarian named herein to release information about me or my pet(s) to **Austin Sheltie Rescue** as necessary to evaluate this application.

22. How did you hear about **Austin Sheltie Rescue**?

- Internet Search _____
- Vet, Clinic, or Shelter Referral _____ (Name: _____)
- Breeder _____ (Name: _____)
- Dog/Obedience Club _____ (Name: _____)
- Another Rescue Group _____ (Name: _____)
- Friend/Neighbor _____
- Other _____ (please explain)

I am in full agreement with the **Austin Sheltie Rescue** Foster Care Responsibilities. By signing below I am attesting to the truthfulness of my answers.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Please print, complete, and return to

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OR send as e-mail to swig@sbcglobal.net. If choosing this option, download the form, open and complete it, resave, and send to one or all of the above e-mail addresses. Please be sure you give your e-mail post a clear subject heading so we know what it is about when it comes into our e-mail boxes.