



Rescue Volunteer Application

WHIPPET RESCUE AND PLACEMENT, INC.

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT

WHIPPET RESCUE AND PLACEMENT, INC (WRAP) is an incorporated group of individuals volunteering their time, money, love and efforts to rescue Whippets who have been abandoned, surrendered to animal shelters/humane societies, or surrendered to WRAP by their owners.

Volunteering a little bit of your time helps a homeless Whippet in countless ways, from transporting a dog to an appropriate foster or permanent home to actually being a good foster home.

Please take the time to complete this application and return it to the WRAP Advisor in your area. After reviewing the information you provide, one of WRAP's Advisors will contact you regarding your time availability and the volunteer activities in which you have expressed an interest. Please do not be offended by all of the information WRAP seeks. WRAP is attempting to match your desires with WRAP's needs and the needs of homeless Whippets, all of whom have unique personalities and physical conditions. The more information you can provide, the more likely everyone involved will have a satisfactory volunteer experience and relationship.

APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Day: _____ Evening: _____
 (Including area code) (Including area code) (Including area code)

E-mail address: _____

Do you have regular (i.e.daily) access to your email? Yes No

If not, how often are you able to check email? _____

Your Month/year of birth: _____ Own or Rent Home? Own Rent

Please list all household members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Month/year of Birth</u>	<u>Relationship to you</u>
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

Your Occupation: _____

Your Employer's Name: _____

Please list two personal references: Name, Phone #, Relationship: (not someone you live with)

1. _____

2. _____

Name of your veterinarian: _____

Address and Phone Number: _____

Are you financially able to provide basic expenses before approved reimbursement would be provided from WRAP?

Yes No

Have you ever been bitten/attacked by a dog? Yes No

If Yes, please explain: _____

Does your city, county or state have any ordinances relating to being a rescue volunteer? Yes No

If yes, please describe the ordinances: _____

Do you have a dog limit? Yes No

Are you comfortable approaching dogs that you do not know? Yes No

Are you familiar with the sighthound breeds and that they were bred to chase and kill small furry creatures, (not that they are not wonderful with other household pets)? Are you then able to assess the degree of this trait in a rescue dog and its reliability in a new home? Yes No

If no, please explain: _____

Do you understand that dogs may be unpredictable and that WRAP cannot guarantee that a dog we are attempting to rescue may become aggressive? Yes No

Are you willing to assume the risks involved with working with animals who are sometimes frightened and who are in unfamiliar surroundings and the possibility that the dog may become aggressive and/or bite you and/or another person or your other pets? Yes No

Some Whippets coming into rescue suffer from varying degrees of separation anxiety. Not everyone is set up to deal with separation anxiety. Do you feel your home is suitable for these problem dogs or will we need to make other arrangements should one of these Whippets need fostering in your area? Yes No

If no, please explain: _____

Are you willing to keep a dog for an extended period of time until it is ready to be placed into the right home?

Yes No If no, please explain: _____

Please explain the type of area you have for pottying/exercising a rescue Whippet. _____

Are you willing to accept any risk involved in transporting a dog inside your vehicle? Yes No

What type of vehicle do you have for transporting dogs? _____

What type of services have you performed in the past, or are you performing now for other volunteer organizations? If you are currently volunteering with another animal-oriented organization, please let us know which one and what your role is.

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Role</u>

Please circle the areas below in which you feel you would be most helpful.:

- Transport
- Foster
- Surrender
- Adoptions
- Education

Dog Club Memberships (if any): _____

Location/Phone # of Club: _____

Positions held other than general member: _____

How long have you been a sighthound owner? _____

Do you presently own:

- dog(s) Yes No
- cat(s) Yes No
- Other pet(s) Yes No

If yes, please indicate the following information on **each** pet:

Breed(s)	How Many	Sex	Altered	Age	Where Obtained

(If more space is needed, please add to last page of this form.)

Please indicate how your pets are kept:

- kennel set-up
- dog room
- run of house
- crated while at work
- in yard while at work
- dog door

Are your other pets used to being introduced to strange dogs? Yes No

Do you have any experience/training in any of the following dog-related areas of work? Please check all that apply.

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Breeding | <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Grooming |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obedience Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Assistant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lure Coursing | <input type="checkbox"/> Kennel Assistant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Racing | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Store Sales Animal Rescue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agility | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conformation Showing | _____ |

If you checked one or more of the above, please briefly explain the nature and extent of your work/training experience:

How did you hear about WRAP?

Is your family supportive of your WRAP volunteer activities and would they get involved? Yes No

Briefly, please describe why you are interested in volunteering for a group dedicated to rescuing dogs, particularly Whippets.

AGREEMENT

I understand that WRAP will determine the criteria for becoming a volunteer. If I am approved as a volunteer, I may always ask that WRAP find another volunteer to take over the care of a Whippet in my possession either by my decision or WRAP. I understand that I will be responsible to keep WRAP informed of any medical or emotional conditions that the Whippet may have, based upon information provided by the former owner or animal shelter/humane society. I understand that as a volunteer, I am expected to keep the Whippet secure and to care for it humanely.

WRAP retains ownership of all rescued Whippets until placed in their permanent home. I understand that a Whippet may need to occasionally be euthanized if it becomes sick or exhibits behavior problems making the Whippet unsuitable for placement as a companion animal.

I, _____, hereby agree to abide by the following terms during the time I am a volunteer for WRAP:

1. I will treat all Whippets as a responsible and humane pet owner.
2. I will not use any Whippet that comes to me through WRAP for breeding purposes of my own or allow it to be so used by any other person.
3. I will remember in all my dealings with the public that I represent WRAP.
4. I agree that any Whippet in my care remains the possession and property of WRAP until that Whippet is placed in a permanent home.

5. When a Whippet is taken in I will make an effort to find its breeder and through WRAP make the decision to contact them.

I have read and understand all of the statements above. I understand that any contact I have with a Whippet as a WRAP volunteer, is done at my own risk. If I am selected as a volunteer, I can ask at any time for a Whippet to be put with another volunteer that may be more suited to handle its problems. As a volunteer for WRAP, I acknowledge that WRAP is not responsible for any property damage or personal injury suffered by me, members of my household, third parties or my other pets by any WRAP Whippet whom I come into contact with as a volunteer, and I assume all liability for providing adequate controls to prevent such damage or injury.

I accept full responsibility for any and all expenses incurred during my tenure as a volunteer and representative for WRAP, except for those pre-approved by WRAP. I further agree to keep records of all Whippets put into my care such as, release and adoption forms, monies collected and expenses incurred for each and every WRAP Whippet. I further agree that such records are the property of WRAP and that a representative thereof may request to view and/or obtain these records at any time. In the event I resign as a volunteer, whether voluntarily or by request of WRAP, I hereby agree to return any Whippet in my possession and all WRAP Whippet records over to WRAP within ten days of resignation of request date.

I have accurately completed this Volunteer Application and Agreement and I have read the above warnings and appreciate the risks involved in working with rescued Whippets. I understand that WRAP cannot be responsible for the actions, behaviors, and/or medical condition of the Whippets that it seeks to rescue, and I agree to assume the risks implicit in working with rescued Whippets which may have been abandoned, beaten or otherwise mistreated or abused, or who may suffer from an illness, condition or disease.

AGREED TO BY VOLUNTEER:

_____ DATE: _____

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED BY WRAP:

By:

_____ DATE: _____
Regional Advisor