ATRA Airedale Terrier Rescue and Adoption, Inc.

1123 Vesper Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 **www.aire-rescue.com**

Pet ownership is a serious commitment that the entire household needs to consider and agree to before the animal is adopted. We want to ensure that each adoptive household is aware of, and willing and able to accept the physical and financial responsibilities of pet ownership. Not everyone who desires to own a pet is ready to properly care for one. This questionnaire will assist both you and us in determining if your household is prepared to assume the role of responsible caretaker for a rescued animal. Thank you for filling it out!

Application for Adoption

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Today's Date _____

Name(s) of adults in household _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____

Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

e-mail _____

Telephone (day) _____ (eve) _____

(fax) _____ (cell) _____

Occupation _____

Usual work schedule/hours worked per week _____

Does your occupation require travel time? [ ] Yes [ ] No

If yes, how many days are you away from home overnight in a month? [ ] 1-3 days [ ] 4-6 days [ ] more than 6 days

RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

[ ] House [ ] Condo [ ] Apartment [ ] Ranch or Farm [ ] Rural [ ] Urban [ ] Other (describe)

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[ ] Own Home [ ] Rent Home

How long at this address? [ ] Less than 1 year [ ] 1-5 years [ ] 5-10 years [ ] More than 10 years

If you rent, do you have written permission for having a dog? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] N/A

Landlord Name _____

Address _____

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Phone _____

Describe the fenced area that you will use to keep the dog safe.
Include the type of fencing, its height and the size of the fenced area.

_____

Does a door from the house open directly to the fenced yard? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] N/A

Do you have a swimming pool? [ ] Yes [ ] No If yes, what type?

_____

Can the dog get to the pool from the dog yard? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] N/A

FAMILY INFORMATION

Please list all household members who live with you (you may include frequent visitors), and their approximate ages:
(Humans only – you will be asked about pets later in the form)

Name/Relationship	Age	Name/Relationship	Age

If you have children, how many activities are your children involved in outside the home (such as sports, arts, etc.)?
To which of these activities will you take the dog along?

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Do all family members want an Airedale? [ ] Yes [ ] No (explain)

_____

Why do you feel an Airedale Terrier would work well in your home?

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Is this your first Airedale? [ ] Yes [ ] No

If yes, what do you know about Airedales? Include titles of books read or other sources of information.

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Are you aware of the grooming needs of an Airedale? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Are you aware grooming expenses average between $40 to $60 every six weeks? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Are any of the household members allergic to dogs? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Are you aware that Airedales often pose a clean house challenge with muddy footprints and sloppy wet beards?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

Generally speaking, what kind of temperament would best suit your household? Check all that apply.

[ ] Energetic, always on the go [ ] Loves to walk, run or hike [ ] Sweet and cuddly

[ ] Patient and tolerant of kids [ ] Couch potato 80% of the time [ ] Protector of the house, barks loud

[ ] Devil dog, needs constant watching or will find things to get into

Who will be the primary person responsible for the Airedale?

_____

Have you ever attended a dog obedience class? [ ] Yes [ ] No
If yes, what classes have you taken with your other dogs?

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Have you ever trained other animals besides dogs (such as horses, etc.)? [ ] Yes (explain) [ ] no

_____

Will you obedience train? [ ] Yes [ ] No

ADOPTION INFORMATION

Do you prefer: [ ] Male [ ] Female [ ] No preference

If you have a preference, why do you prefer that sex? _____

Would you consider the opposite sex if one is more readily available? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] N/A

Age preference: _____

What will your Airedale need to get along with? (Check as many as are applicable)

[ ] Other dogs [ ] Cats [ ] Indoor birds [ ] Small rodents [ ] Poultry

[ ] Livestock [ ] Women [ ] Men [ ] Teenagers

[ ] Young children (age 0-5 years) [ ] Older children (age 6-12 years)

[ ] Other (describe) _____

Where will the dog stay during the day? _____

Where will the dog stay at night? _____

Describe a normal day in your household (your schedule, activities, etc.)

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How long will the dog be alone on an average day? _____

Where will the dog stay when no one is home? _____

Will the dog have the run of the house when you are home? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Describe your plan to provide your dog with exercise. Include type of activity and frequency.

_____

Have you ever had a dog that ran away, was stolen, or hit by a car? [ ] Yes [ ] No
If yes, please describe the event.

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What is the address and phone number of the nearest animal shelter?

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What will you do if the dog marks in the house?

_____

How much do you think it will cost to care for your dog yearly? _____

Would you be willing to take a dog with minor health problems? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Would you be willing to take a dog with minor behavior problems? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Are you familiar with crate training? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Do you own a crate? [ ] Yes [ ] No

If yes, what type and size of dog crate? _____

When would you use a crate? _____

In what room would you put a crate? _____

What arrangements will be made for the dog during extended absences?

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PET HISTORY

List all animals currently in your household. Include animals that visit frequently.

Type of animal	Age	Sex	Spay/Neuter	Type of animal	Age	Sex	Spay/Neuter

Tell us about your previous pets, how long they lived and what ultimately happened to them.

Breed	Age	What happened

Have you ever given up a dog? [ ] Yes [ ] No If yes, please explain.

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You would consider giving up your dog if:

_____

If yours is currently a one-dog household, has your dog ever lived with another large dog? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] N/A

How long has your current dog been the only dog of the house? _____

When will you be ready for your new dog? _____

REFERENCES

Your veterinarian_____ Telephone _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip _____

Please contact your veterinarian and inform them of your submission for adopting an Airedale from our organization. Ask them to release your pet ownership information to our volunteer.

Groomer Reference_____ Telephone _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip _____

Have you had any affiliation to other animal organizations (such as volunteer work with a humane society, ASPCA, etc.)?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

Please list those organizations, contact person and telephone number.

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Have you contacted a rescue volunteer in your area? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Name of the regional rescue organization or individual rescue volunteer you contacted:

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Have you ever adopted a dog through Airedale Rescue before? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Have you adopted companion animals from other shelters or rescue groups? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Do you understand that rescues are spayed/neutered or have a spay/neuter contract? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Do you understand that if at any time you cannot keep the rescue Airedale, it must be returned to Airedale Rescue?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

Are you aware that if Rescue places an Airedale with you, you will be asked to make a donation? The suggested donation is $300 to $400, which helps defray costs such as shelter fees, veterinary care and boarding and training when necessary. The average cost per dog for 2004 was $422.

[ ] Yes [ ] No

Do you understand that volunteers from our organization may confirm any information or contact any person provided on this application in regards to your application to adopt an Airedale?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

Individuals who adopt a rescue Airedale are contacted periodically for an update to help ensure that the Airedale successfully adjusts to its new life. If you adopt a rescue Airedale, do you consent to home visits after adoption?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

OTHER INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE US TO CONSIDER

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I certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct. I am also financially and physically able to care for this animal. I understand that proper food and veterinarian care can be costly and I am able to meet these requirements. Home checks are made on a random basis following adoption. If upon any home visit or reference check we find that information contained in this application to be false, we retain the right to remove the animal from your premises without a refund of monies paid.

Your signature below signifies your willingness to honor the terms of this application.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return this completed application to:

Alison Lang
1123 Vesper Road
Ann Habor, MI 48103

By filling out this form and submitting it, it starts the process of approval for you to adopt an Airedale. Part of this process includes a home visit. An ATRA representative will contact you to set up a convenient time for both your family and our representative to visit you in your home. The home visit is a mandatory step in the adoption process.

If after reviewing all the information and we feel that an Airedale would flourish under your love and care, we then can find you a family companion. Please understand that our organization's mission is to find our rescue Airedales a new forever home. All of the volunteers that help us accomplish this mission are Airedale experienced and are not compensated for their time. We all have a passion for the breed and realize that an Airedale is not for everyone. We appreciate your understanding of our time commitments to our families and careers as well as the time to process your application. ATRA reserves the right to refuse placement.