



Naperville Area Humane Society

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## **Incoming Canine Personality Profile**

The following questionnaire provides us with information about how this dog behaved in many different circumstances while he/she was living with you. Because this dog is likely to behave in similar ways in a new home, this information will help us to find the most suitable home for this dog and to effectively counsel the new family. Your open and honest answers are necessary and appreciated so that we can process careful and successful adoptions.

By signing below, I certify that the information I am about to provide is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Dog and Household Information

1. Dog's name \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Gender  Male  Female 3. Age \_\_\_\_\_

4. Breed \_\_\_\_\_ 5. How long have you had this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Is the dog spayed/neutered?  Yes  No

7. Where did you get this dog?

This shelter  Friend/relative  Newspaper/website  Found stray  Breeder  Pet store

Other shelter/rescue (which one) \_\_\_\_\_

Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Why are you surrendering this dog? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Including yourself, how many people of the following ages live in your house?

Age Range (years)	Female	Male
0-3		
4-9		
10-17		
18-29		
30-59		
60 +		

10. How would you describe your household?

Active (many guests, parties, children, etc.)  Noisy (loud voices, many voices, loud music/TV, etc.)  
 Quiet (not many visitors or occupants, family home often)

11. Which word(s) are used to best describe this dog's personality? (check all that apply):

Playful  Rambunctious  Affectionate  Vocal  Couch Potato  Shy  Mellow

Outgoing  Gentle  Cuddly  Lap Dog  Friendly  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**12. What other animals has this dog lived with?**

- No other animals in the household  
 Dogs, male  
 Dogs, female  
 Cats  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Please describe this dog's behavior around other animals in the home. Continue to question 14 if this does not apply.**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Typical Behavior** (*this dog's usual behavior*)

**14. How does this dog usually behave toward the following? (check all that apply)**

	Never Encounter	Friendly	Afraid	Shows teeth/growls	Snaps	Bites	None of these
People this dog knows							
Men							
Women							
Children							
Unfamiliar people							
Men							
Women							
Children							
Animals this dog knows							
Dogs							
Cats							
Unfamiliar animals							
Dogs							
Cats							

**15. Does this dog usually uncontrollably chase or attempt to chase any of the following?**

- Joggers  
 Bicycles  
 Skateboarders/rollerbladers  
 Cars/motorcycles  
 Outdoor cats  
 Squirrels or other small animals  
 Birds  
 Doesn't chase  
 Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**16. How does this dog usually react when you or another family member does the following to him/her?**  
*(check all that apply)*

	Never tried	Enjoys	Allows	Afraid	Shows teeth/ growls	Snaps	Bites	None of these
Pick up/ carry								
Brush								
Bathe								
Wipe feet								
Trim nails								

**17. How does this dog usually react when an unfamiliar person approaches or enters the yard or house?**  
*(check all that apply)*

- Friendly    Afraid    Barks    Shows teeth/growls    Snaps    Bites    None of these

*continued*

**18. Do you take this dog out to go to the bathroom?**

- Yes (please specify # of times/day) \_\_\_\_\_    No/paper trained

**19. Does this dog signal when needing to go outside?**

- Yes    No

If Yes, how? \_\_\_\_\_

**20. Does this dog usually have house training accidents?**

- Yes (please specify # of times/day) \_\_\_\_\_    No

**21. Where does this dog spend most of his/her time?**

- Inside the house, runs free    Inside the house, in cage    Outside the house, runs free in neighborhood  
 Outside the house, runs free in yard    Outside the house, in cage    Outside the house, tied  
 Other *(please explain)* \_\_\_\_\_

**22. How long is this dog left home alone (without people) during the day?**

- Never    1-3 hours    4-8 hours    9-12 hours    Over 12 hours

**23. When this dog is left alone, he/she is:**

- Outside    Free in home    Confined to a room    In a cage    Other \_\_\_\_\_

**24. When left alone, does this dog usually show any of the following behaviors? *(check all that apply)***

- Destroy household items    Urinate/defecate    Bark/howl    Cry    None of these

**25. When you are home, does this dog usually show any of the following behaviors? *(check all that apply)***

- Destroy household items    Urinate/defecate    Bark/howl    Cry    None of these

**26. When this dog plays does he/she typically: *(check all that apply)***

- Jumps    Growls    Barks    Bites lightly    Bites hard    None of these

**27. What toys does this dog like?** (check all that apply)

Balls  Frisbee  Plush  Squeaky  Tug toy  None  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**28. What games/activities does this dog like?** (check all that apply)

Fetch  Tug  Chase  Wrestling  Long walks  Running  Swimming  None

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**29. What types of touch and interaction does this dog like?** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**30. What types of touch and interaction does this dog not like?** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**31. Is this dog scared of ...** (check all that apply)

Thunder  Fireworks  Vacuum cleaner  Men  Brooms  Large trucks  Hands  Water

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**32. Please tell us about this dog's "bad habits"** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**33. Is this dog allowed on furniture?**  Yes  No

**34. Does this dog have trouble going up or down stairs?**  Yes  No

**35. Where does this dog usually sleep overnight?**

Cage  Floor  Dog bed  Couch  Owner's bed  Outside  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**36. What commands does this dog know?**

Sit  Down (lie down)  Stay  Come  Shake (give paw)  Heel  Off  Leave it

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**37. Does this dog respond to his/her name?**  Yes  No

**38. Has this dog attended any obedience training classes?**  Yes  No

**39. How well does this dog walk on leash?**

Well, walks with a loose leash  Pulls slightly  Pulls hard  I don't walk my dog on a leash

**40. If this dog is walked on a leash, is the leash attached to a:**

Collar  Harness  Gentle leader/head halter

**41. Does this dog have problems riding in the car?**

Yes (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

No

**42. Has this dog escaped from your property two or more times in the last six months?**

Yes (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

No

**Aggressive Behavior** (*behavior that has ever happened*)

**43. Do you think this dog is protective of you or anyone in your family? (Example: does he/she growl, snap, bite or stand in front of you when anyone approaches you?)**

Yes  No  Don't know

If Yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**44. Is there any report of this dog ever inflicting a serious bite to a person (such as an attack or a bite requiring hospitalization)?**

Yes  No  Don't know

**45. Has this dog ever attacked another dog resulting in severe injury or death to the other dog?**

Yes  No  Don't know

**46. Has this dog ever attacked another domesticated animal species (cats or livestock, but not small pets such as hamsters, guinea pigs, etc.) resulting in severe injury or death to the other animal?**

Yes  No  Don't know

**47. Please check the appropriate box(es) if this dog has ever shown any of the following aggressive behaviors toward men, women, children, dog, or other domesticated animal species (cats or livestock, not small pets such as hamsters, guinea pigs, etc.). Do not include aggressive behaviors directed toward a veterinarian or groomer.**

	Shows teeth/ growls	Snaps	Bites	None of these	Do not know
Men					
Women					
Children					
Dog					
Cat					

**48. If a snap or bite to men or women was checked, did the snap or bite to the adult take place while breaking up a dogfight or while the dog was in severe pain?**  Yes  No

**49. If a snap or bite to children was checked, did the snap or bite to a child take place while breaking up a dogfight or while the dog was in severe pain?**  Yes  No

**Was the child unsupervised?**  Yes  No

**50. Please explain the circumstances of the snap or bite. If you checked more than one bite in #44 or #47, please explain the circumstances of every instance.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**51. If any aggressive behavior was checked in #47, please answer the following questions. If this does not apply, skip to #52.**

Was the aggressive behavior:	Men		Women		Children	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
over dog food in the bowl?						
over human food?						
over bones, rawhides, or chews?						
over toys?						
stolen household objects?						
when the dog was disturbed while sleeping or resting?						
when an adult or child handled the dog (brushing, handling feet, bathing, teeth brushing, ear cleaning? (Do not include reactions to vet or groomer.)						
when an adult or child entered the house or yard?						
when an adult or child approached or reached toward dog?						

## Medical History

**52. Is this dog up to date on vaccinations?**  Yes  No

**53. Please specify the name of the veterinary clinic/hospital where you take this dog:**

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**54. Has this dog ever shown any of the following aggressive behaviors when handled by a veterinarian or groomer? (check all that apply)**

	Never had this done	Shows teeth/growls	Snaps	Bites	None of these	Do not know
Examine (including heart, teeth, and ears)						
Restrain						
Administer vaccinations						
Trim nails						
Draw blood						

**55. Does this dog have to be muzzled at the veterinarian?**  Yes  No

**56. Does this dog have any past or present medical conditions?**

- Yes (describe) \_\_\_\_\_
- No

**57. Is this dog currently on medication or a special diet?**

- Yes (describe) \_\_\_\_\_
- No

**58. What type and brand of food does this dog eat? (check all that apply)**

- Dry    Wet/canned    Table scraps
- What brand(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**59. What time of day is this dog fed?**    a.m.    p.m.    Both a.m. and p.m.

**Please feel free to provide any additional helpful comments/information:**

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