

Springer Rescue of Eastern & Central Canada

Foster Application

*This form is to be submitted for approval to become a Foster Family for SRECC. It should be understood by the applicant that SRECC reserves the right to deny an application to foster and that by submitting this application you are giving permission for SRECC to contact your references, including veterinarians & landlords, to gain information as to the suitability of you & your home for a rescued Springer. It should also be understood, that prior to approval of this application, a SRECC volunteer member will do a home visit to further gain knowledge of your home situation. Submission of this application does not guarantee your approval to become a foster home for SRECC.

If you are approved as a foster family, it should be expected that you will join the SRECC membership and that there is to be frequent & regular contact with SRECC coordinators to keep them informed of the springers condition & care, and that we reserve the right to take the foster Springer from your keep at any time. Fostering a Springer gives you no legal claim to the dog, nor does it guarantee that you will be granted the right or privilege of adopting the Springer in your care, though we do often attempt to give the foster home the opportunity of first refusal for adoption.

Fostering for SRECC means that you will be the primary caregiver for a rescued Springer until he or she is adopted. The responsibility to provide for the Springer's well being, care, rehabilitation & recovery lies in your hands. We ask that you be both mindful and worthy of such an undertaking and that you do your very best to ensure that the Springer is given the love & attention, training & care that he or she will need to become a good member of a future family and of the community.

About You & Your Home:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Telephone: (H) _____ (W) _____

Names & Ages of all members of the household:

Do all members of the household agree to foster a rescued Springer? Yes _____ or No _____

Does anyone in the home have allergies or sensitivities to dogs: Yes _____ or No _____

If yes, please explain: _____

Please list all pets in the home: (type, name & ages)

Are all the existing animals spayed or neutered? Yes _____ No _____

Have you ever taken a dog to obedience classes or are you familiar with dog training methods using positive reinforcement? Yes _____ No _____

Would you be willing to take a Springer to classes or work with a trainer in your home should the need arise? Yes _____ No _____

Are you familiar with Springer Spaniels including their typical behaviors, health concerns, exercise & grooming requirements? _____

Please describe how you would introduce a new Springer to your home, family & current pets:

Do you have any reason to believe that bringing in another animal would cause significant & lasting upset to the existing animals or family members? (i.e.: fighting, dominance or aggression):

Are you familiar with dominance issues in dogs? Can you identify it and deal with it effectively & safely? _____

The home is a: House _____ Apartment _____ Condo _____ Cottage _____
Owned _____ Rented _____

If rental, please provide the landlords name & contact information: _____

City _____ Town _____ Suburban-Subdivision _____ Rural _____

Street is: A main street _____ Side road in residential area _____
Country road _____ Posted speed limit: _____

Fenced yard? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please describe: _____

If no, how will you contain & exercise a Springer? _____

Are there stairs in the home that a Springer would have to use daily? Yes ___ No ___

Do you have crates available & are you familiar with their use? _____

Is anyone at home through the day? Yes _____ No _____

How long per day will a Springer be alone in your home? _____

How many springers would you be able to foster at one time? _____

For what length of stay would a Springer be welcome in your home? _____

Why would a Springer have to leave your home? _____

Would you consider being a long term foster for a senior Springer? Yes _____ No _____

Would you consider fostering a Springer with special needs or one recovering from an illness or injury? _____

Would you be willing to foster a pregnant Springer and/or a litter of puppies? Yes ____ No _____

Where will the dog(s) sleep? _____

What sort of arrangements will you make should you have to leave your Springer overnight or for a vacation? _____

Please provide the name, address & contact information of your current veterinarian: _____

How long has this clinic been caring for your pets? _____

Will transporting a foster Springer to this or other clinic for medical care or treatment ever be difficult for you? Yes _____ No _____

Some Promises To Make:

1. Are you over the age of 19 years? Yes _____ No _____

2. Are you physically & financially able to provide love, exercise, transportation, bedding, grooming, food & related doggie equipment for a Springer? Yes _____ No _____

Please describe any questions or concerns: _____

3. Do you understand that SRECC reimburses for medical & veterinary care of the Springer only, but not for the above-mentioned things (see # 2)? Yes _____ No _____

4. Do you agree to have all medical treatment for your foster Springer pre-approved by your coordinator, unless it is an emergency situation & he/she cannot be reached? Yes ____ No _____

5. Do you promise that a Springer will be an indoor dog only and never left tethered or chained outside? Yes _____ No _____

6. Do you agree to never allow unsupervised off-leash time for your dog in an environment that is not fenced or contained? Yes _____ No _____

7. Do you agree to never allow a Springer to have unsupervised time among children, strangers, or unfamiliar animals? Yes _____ No _____

8. Do you agree to never leave a foster Springer in your care in an unlocked car or a closed car in the warm months of the year? Yes _____ No _____

9. Do you agree to NEVER use prong or shock collars on a Springer in your care? Yes ____ No _____

10. Do you agree to work with SRECC to find a suitable adoptive home for the dog by allowing us to contact you, have potential adopters contact you about the dog & arrange for the meeting of potential adopters? Yes_____ No_____

11. Do you agree to disclose, note and record the foster springers progress, medical treatment & behavior evaluations and to make them available to SRECC volunteers & potential adopters? Yes_____ No_____

12. Do you agree to NEVER rehome, adopt out or promise to adopt out a foster Springer in your care to a home that has not been pre-approved by SRECC? Yes_____ No_____

13. Do you understand that by bringing a rescued Springer into your home that there is potential for danger & harm to come to your property, pets, & family members? That while SRECC makes every reasonable effort to ensure that the springers we seek to help are not dangerous dogs, that ALL animals are unpredictable and some dog behaviors, temperaments and responses to certain situations & stimuli can go undetected during assessment? Yes_____ No_____

14. Do you agree to forever hold harmless, free from liability & responsibility, SRECC and all of it's volunteers & officers should a foster Springer's behavior cause damage to you, your property, your pets or your family members? Yes_____ No_____

Initial: _____

And One Last Thing:

Why do you wish to Foster for SRECC:

***Submitted & Signed:**

Signature: _____

Date: _____

**SRECC will accept a faxed signature to be as official as the original.*