



Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue Foster Parent Application

Thank you for applying to become a foster parent for Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue. We appreciate your time and effort to help us save as many as we can.

Basic Info About Us:

Established in 2002, we have rescued almost 600 Bostons as of October 2012. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit charity. We rescue all Bostons and obvious Boston mixes regardless of age or health, in Virginia, Maryland, District of Columbia, Delaware and Northeast North Carolina.

What we expect from our foster parents:

Provide food, shelter as indoor dogs only and of course love and attention.

We are a firm believer in holistic foods (no grocery store brands). Bostons do best on grain free food, such as Blue Buffalo or Earthborn. The website has more info on brands/where to buy them

Provide flea, tick and heart-worm prevention meds. If you need assistance providing this, please ask.

Again, there is lots of info on the website on holistic solutions for fleas and tick prevention.

Basic training as needed: House training, sit, down, and stay

Meet up with potential adopters.

What we provide our foster parents:

We will provide you as much information about your foster as possible. Sometimes we have a lot.. sometimes none at all.

For each foster, we provide harness, blanket and toy. Crates may be available but are not guaranteed.

We provide medical care if needed to get them healthy, as well as wellness screening with blood tests, microchip, and spay/neuter if needed.

All medical services must be provided by one of our approved vet practices that provide a discount to us. If you do not live in close proximity to a vet on our list (see the website), you may ask your vet about discounts to rescue groups. We can provide all needed documentation on our non-profit status and medical care guidelines. You must contact ODBTR for approval before getting any discounted services from your own vet for a foster if we are to pay for it.

IMPORTANT: ODBTR has written guidelines about which procedures and tests are approved for their fosters.

You will have the opportunity to review any application to adopt the Boston you are fostering and ask them questions. **MATCHING THE RIGHT PERSON/FAMILY TO THE RIGHT BOSTON IS OUR PRIMARY FOCUS.** Together, we decide whether to approve an application for a particular Boston. All applications are screened first for obvious not-a-match-for-any-reason so you only have to deal with potentially matchable parents.

What if I want to keep him or her? Yes, it does happen (just ask our Facebook page administrators). You will be expected to pay the adoption donation just like any other adopter. That's how we pay our medical bills.

Pages 3-16 is the standard application for adopting from ODBTR. While you are not applying to adopt (maybe not right now...), we ask for the same information from our potential foster parents.

Please fill out all information on pages 2-16. When complete you may email it to: bostonrescue1@aol.com and someone will contact you.

Name of Primary Foster Parent:

Name of Secondary Foster (spouse or child):

Where do you live:

General Location:

Tidewater Richmond Southwest VA Central VA DC Area/Northern VA
Maryland Delaware Northeast NC

Your Occupation:

Can you love, care for, and help improve a Boston's life and then let them go when we find their new home? Yes I CAN

Please think carefully about this if you can not let them go you will be required to pay the normal adoption fee for that Boston. We will not pay for medical care for your personal animals.

If you rent, do you have permission to foster a dog? YES I DO

May we contact your landlord to verify that you may foster a dog? YES YOU MAY

May we visit your home before and during the dog's stay? YES YOU MAY

What would you consider a long period of time to foster?

Is your whole household supportive of fostering? YES WE ARE

I/We attest that the information provided on this application is true and accurate to the best of my/our knowledge.

(All adults in the household must print name and initials)

Date:

OLD DOMINION BOSTON TERRIER RESCUE ADOPTION APPLICATION



FYI - Terminology - We RESCUE the dogs. You ADOPT them. The dogs are no longer in danger of losing their lives once they are in our care.

Date:

I am interested in: **Fostering**

Any Dog on the website

Purebred only

Mixed Breed

Male

Female

No Preference, will adopt either gender

I would like to adopt from ODBTR's Petfinder page. (if so please provide the dog's name)

Name(s):

Applicant name/names:

Street Address (not P.O. Box):

City:

State:

Zip:

Home Phone:

Best Time to Call:

Work Phone:

Is it acceptable to call at work? YES NO

Cell Phone:

Other Phone:

PLEASE INCLUDE AREA CODE FOR EACH TELEPHONE NUMBER! Applications without phone numbers will not be processed!

Home E-mail:

Work E-mail:

Other E-mail:

Do you own cats? YES NO How many?

Are they spayed/neutered? YES NO

If not, please explain why:

Other animals? YES NO

General Questions for Determining a Suitable Dog For You

Why have you chosen to adopt a Boston Terrier?

Describe your ideal dog:

Age or age range preference:

List all plans for this dog: (check all that apply)

Family Member Pet Obedience
Agility Guard Other

PLEASE CHECK EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ISSUES YOU ARE WILLING TO WORK WITH:

Separation Anxiety Chewing Digging Fear Licking
Dog Aggression Cat Aggression Other

Are you willing to work with house training a Boston? YES NO

NOTE: EVEN PERFECTLY HOUSEBROKEN DOGS HAVE ACCIDENT!

If you are not willing to work with housebreaking issues, then you don't need to adopt a rescue dog.

What health issues are you willing to work with?

Allergies Arthritis Heart Problems Incontinence
Skin problems Cancer Other

No health issues preferred

What physical disabilities if any are you willing to accept in your adopted Boston?

Blind Deaf Limping One-eyed Three-Legged
Scars and deformities Multiple disabilities Other

No disabilities preferred

Do you want your Boston to be:

Couch potato	Lap Puppy	Fairly Laid back	Medium Energy
Active	Very Active	Agility material	Other

What household privileges are you going to give your dog?

Sleep on my/our bed	Allowed on all furniture	
Allowed on some furniture	Have their own bed	Access to entire house

Where will the dog spend the day?

Loose indoors	Crate	Basement	Garage
Fenced Yard	Kennel	Other	

On average, how many hours will the dog be without human company daily?

0 - Due to schedules someone is always home.

1 to 2 hours

2 to 4 hours

4 to 6 hours

6 to 8 hours

8 to 10 hours

Other

Where will the dog spend the night?

Loose indoors	Crate	Basement	Garage
Fenced Yard	Kennel	In my bed	Other

What Brand of Dog food do you intend to feed your dog?

General Questions about your home environment

Do you own or rent your home? OWN RENT

Do you live in a:

House	Apartment	Condominium	Other
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How long have you lived at this address?

If less than 1 year, please state how long at previous address.

If renting, do you have your landlord's permission to keep a dog? YES NO

If renting, have you paid your pet deposit? YES NO

Amount of pet deposit paid/required?

Landlord's Business and Contact Name:

Landlord's Telephone number:

Note: If renting or you live in a condominium/co-op, or your house is a part of a homeowner's association, prior to adoption, you will need to provide a copy of the bylaws, rules and regulations of such association stating that there are no restrictions regarding owning a dog. If there is a limit on the number of pets you are allowed, please note the limit on the copy of the bylaws.

Have you inquired about the number of dogs/pets allowed by law per household in your city/county?

YES NO

How many dogs are allowed per household in your city/county?

Describe your street:

Busy?

Quiet?

In-between?

Describe the setting:

Rural/Farm or country setting?

Suburban/smaller community near a larger city?

Urban/city?

Do you have a fenced yard? YES NO

What type of fence do you have:

Wood Privacy fence

Chain link fence

Wood Picket fence

Concrete Block Wall

Radio/Electric fence

Other

Fence Height

Does the fencing completely enclose a yard for the dog? YES NO

Is there a lock on your gate? YES NO

If not, why not?

Do you have a swimming pool? YES NO

Is the swimming pool fenced for the dog's safety? YES NO

Do you have a doggie door? YES NO

If so, does it open into a fenced enclosure? YES NO

If no fence, how will you handle the dog's exercise and toilet duties?

Do you have a:

Garage

Basement

An outdoor shop or shed

If your home has one of these features, does your dog have free access to it? YES NO

IS ANYONE in the family ALLERGIC to animals? YES NO

If yes why do you want a dog if you have a family member who is allergic to animals?

If so, who is allergic to dogs and what reaction do they have when exposed?

How many living in the home children?

Name, Age, gender of children and if he/she has ever been around pets before:

Have you or anyone in your family given up a dog to an animal shelter, rescue, family member or other person?

YES

NO

If so, why?

Have you or anyone in your family had a pet get lost, die at an early age, or die in an accident?
If so, please give name of animal, what happened and how long ago:

HAS ANY MEMBER OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAS EVER BEEN CHARGED WITH CRUELTY TO ANIMALS?

YES

NO

THE ADOPTER REPRESENTS THAT NO MEMBER OF HOUSEHOLD HAS EVER BEEN CHARGED WITH CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Adopter's Initials:

If, a member of your family has been charged with cruelty to animals, please elaborate on the circumstances:

Are all family members in agreement about adopting a Boston? YES NO

If not, then why are you applying to adopt a Boston?

Are there regular visitors to your home (human or animal) with which your new dog must get along?

YES NO

Describe the age of visitors and types of animals and how often they visit:

Name and age of person(s) who will care for the dog?

Do you and your family have time to exercise this dog? YES NO

Do you understand that Boston's are highly energetic dogs and can be destructive if not exercised enough?

YES

NO

Do you expect to move in the near future? YES NO

If you were to move, what would you do with the dog?

Do you expect to have any children in the future? YES NO

If so, what will you do with the dog?

General Questions and information about fees and expenses.

Do you agree with and are you able to afford this monetary requirement to the adoption of a dog that has been at the very least spayed/neutered, checked for heartworms/lyme/erlichia and treated if positive and given vaccines for bordatella (kennel cough), rabies and DHLPPC and microchipped?

Yes, I/we understand. Adopter's initials: No, I/we do not understand, Adopter's initials:

If your application is approved, we will require a NON-REFUNDABLE adoption donation of \$150 to \$450 depending on the age and health of each dog. This helps to defray the ever increasing cost of veterinary care.

If you cannot afford the adoption fee for a vetted dog, please be realistic and understand that you probably cannot afford the yearly vetting, food and other expenses that would be accrued for the dog.

Please do not ask us to discount our fees. We survive on adoption fees and donations. In most cases we have spent more than the adoption fee we are asking.

How much do you expect to spend per year for yearly vet care?

Yearly Grooming?

Yearly boarding?

Yearly cost of Food?

Yearly Licensing?

Yearly cost of toys, bedding, leashes, harnesses and other things for your pets comfort?

The previous question was to make you think realistically of all of the actual expenses that a dog would incur during a year after adoption. Dogs are not inexpensive.

Do you earn enough to take care of your family and take care of the costs of this dog after looking over your cost estimates?

YES

NO

How do you plan on getting your Boston?

I will pick him/her up

I will arrange other transportation

Other

I also understand that Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue derives its only source of funding through donations and fund-raising activities. The adoption donation for this animal is considered NON-REFUNDABLE..

Yes, I/we understand the fee is NON_REFUNDABLE. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not understand. Adopter's initials:

General Questions and information about Boston Terriers your expectations and responsibilities for a Boston that you ADOPT from us.

Do you understand and agree that any Boston's you may adopt from ODBTR are REQUIRED to be indoor dogs?

Yes, Adopter's initials:

No, . Adopter's initials:

Do you understand that Boston's can be destructive to toys, furniture and other things?
A bored dog is a destructive dog!!!

Yes, Adopter's initials:

No, . Adopter's initials:

What form of discipline would you use if your pet misbehaves?

Would you be willing to take your pet to a behaviorist/trainer if necessary? (i.e., if through your own efforts you were unable to train the dog?)

Yes, Adopter's initials:

No, Adopter's initials:

Due to the large number of dogs that come through our rescue, we do not have time to totally obedience train or house train. Sometimes we are lucky and get a well trained one, but most of the time the dogs need someone to love them and who is willing to work with them to make them into the dogs that they are capable of being. Adopters are expected to enroll in obedience classes to train their dogs or work with them as needed. If you expect a perfectly trained dog, then a rescue is not the dog for you.

Please note that ODBTR is NOT a rehab for dogs with major behavioral issues. We do NOT knowingly place a human aggressive dog in a home, which is why the dog is in foster with us for at least several weeks before placement.

I understand that Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue does not knowingly misrepresent any animal's age condition of health or temperament.

Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue is in no way liable or responsible for any damage, injury, or accident resulting from the placement of any dog into my household.

Yes, I understand. Adopter's initials:

No, I do not understand, Adopter's initials:

I/we understand that there is no health warranty given with the dog. If he develops an illness or injury after adoption, or is discovered to have an illness not discovered before adoption, the adopter is responsible for treating that illness/injury. If I/we are unable to afford needed vet care we will return any dog adopted from ODBTR to ODBTR or their designated representative.

Yes, I/we understand and agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not understand and agree. Adopter's initials:

I/we agree that if I/we are unable to care for or keep the dog for any reason, I/we will return the dog to the designated representative of Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue, at my/our expense.

Yes, I /we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I/we agree that in no event will the dog be sold or given away by me/us to another person or placed in an animal shelter or humane society or turned loose to roam freely?

Yes, I/we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I/we agree that I/we will properly house, feed, water, exercise, care for and provide inoculations, heartworm care and other veterinary or supportive care as the dog requires for the remainder of his lifetime, which includes giving Heartworm Preventative every month for the rest of his/her life.

Yes, I/we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I /we agree I/we will provide the dog with a permanent home as a member of my family and as such this pet will not be used as a guard dog, yard only dog, or dog fighting bait dog.

Yes, I/we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I agree that I/we will exercise proper control and restraint over the dog at all times and not allow the dog to run at large. I agree to have a harness and identification tags on the dog at all times.

Yes, I/we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I agree that the dog will NEVER be used for experimentation purposes.

Yes, I/we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I agree I/we will notify Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue if the dog is ever lost, stolen or deceased.

Yes, I/we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I /we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I/we will add to our will or living trust provisions for the care of the dog. The executor will notify ODBTR of the change of ownership. The dog is to be returned to ODBTR if there is no responsible person listed and that ODBTR reserves the right to reclaim the dog.

Yes, I/we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I understand that In the event the Transferee(s) breaches any covenant or condition herein and incurs any legal costs, including any attorney's fees, costs of litigation, including costs of deposition, witness fees for expert or non expert witnesses; or court costs; or any other expense in relation to the enforcement of any covenant or condition, the transferee(s) shall be individually and jointly liable therefore to Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue.

Yes, I/we understand and agree! Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

I/We agree that I/we will allow representatives of Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue to check the dog and its environment, and that if at any time the placement is found to be detrimental to the dog's health, mental or physical well-being, Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue reserves the right to remove the dog from said placement until the situation is corrected or until another placement can be made. It is agreed that rescuer shall retain superior title of said animal, limited to and for the express purpose of assuring the animal's well-being and only to exercise its superior claim in the event it appears to rescue that the proper and humane care, as specified in the above adoption provisions, is not being afforded said animal, in which case the animal may be taken through a claim and delivery proceeding. The adopter further agrees that if there is any breach or default of the terms of this contract, and the dog must be redeemed through a claim and delivery service, that the adopter will be held liable for all court costs and fees for the adopter's attorney and for rescuer's attorney. This has been read to the adopter and explained to the adopter. The adopter has read this, understands and agrees to this and is signing this contract.

Yes, I/we agree. Adopter's initials:

No, I/we do not agree. Adopter's initials:

Please contact us if you adopt another dog or buy a puppy or just change your mind so we can discard your application.

OLD DOMINION BOSTON TERRIER RESCUE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY APPLICATION FOR ANY REASON The answers you give on this application will help us find the best possible match between you and the dogs available for adoption. Remember we are searching for the perfect home for each individual dog. You may have a perfect home for one dog, but not another. Even if you fall in love with the looks of a particular dog and submit an application stating that is the dog you want to adopt, we are not obligated to adopt that particular dog to you if we consider the dog is not the right match for your household. We will suggest other dogs that we consider suitable for your household based upon the answers to our questions in the application. This is not an over night process and we are volunteers, so please expect some waiting time (1-6 weeks) to be involved. Please answer all questions as completely as possible. If any information is omitted, the application will be discarded. We reserve the right to inspect the prospective home environment both before and after adoption without any advanced notice. In addition, if we discover that any information on this form was knowingly falsified, we reserve the right to refuse to adopt a dog to you and to take any adopted dog back into our possession. PLEASE NOTE: If your application is approved, we will require a NON-REFUNDABLE adoption donation to defray the ever-increasing costs of veterinary care for our rescued dogs. Also, at the time of adoption, you will be required to sign a contract committing to the care of the dog. A mandatory part of that care is monthly heartworm preventive. In addition, a rescue volunteer will be responsible for confirming that you have visited a veterinarian and obtained heartworm preventative within the time allotted. Preventive medical care is just as necessary for your adopted dog as love, food, and water. Please remember that the Boston Terrier is a high-energy, people oriented dog that requires a great deal of exercise and human companionship. Plus ALL Dogs who have short muzzles cannot tolerate extremes in temperature and should be housedogs. So if you want a dog that does not require a lot of your time and attention, you probably need to look for a different breed. One last note: ALL DOGS adopted from us will be spayed or neutered before being adopted out. We DO NOT provide fertile dogs to be bred to add more puppies to the already overburdened pet population.

I/we, the undersigned (the "adopter"), certify that all of the above information is accurate and complete. I/we understand that if selected and I/we adopt a dog from Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue, I must comply with the following: The adopter shall keep the animal as an indoor pet with outdoor privileges and will provide it with proper identification via one or more of the of the following: (a) harness plus ID tag (b) microchip information. The animal will be kept under control at all times, on leash or in a crate, when it is off the adopter's property. The adopter shall provide adequate veterinary care for the animal, including vaccinations recommended by your licensed veterinarian including but not limited to rabies DHLPP and Bordatella, heartworm preventative 12 months a year and any other care recommended by the animal's veterinarian. The adopter will take the animal to the veterinarian if it is ill. If the adopter is unable to do so, the adopter will notify one of the Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue contacts immediately. The adopter agrees to notify Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue of any change of address or telephone number within 30 days. If the animal is lost or stolen, adopter will immediately notify Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue. The adopter shall return the animal to Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue if, for whatever reason, the adopter is no longer able to keep the dog or provide for it. The adopter shall not sell, give or otherwise transfer or convey the animal to anyone other than Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue unless directed to do otherwise by ODBTR. Old Dominion Boston Terrier Rescue is not liable for the acts of any DOG after placement with adopter.

I/we hereby certify that I/we have read the above Adoption Application Contract, fully understand all that I/we have read, and I/we agree to each and every term and condition.

Transferee's printed full name and initials:

Co-Transferee's printed full name and initials:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

Please return the completed application by email to:

bostonrescue1@aol.com.

PLEASE BE SURE TO SAVE THIS DOCUMENT FIRST AND ATTACH IT TO YOUR EMAIL.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND IN AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION, AS IT MAY BE DISCARDED.

PLEASE CHECK TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ANSWERED EACH PART OF MULTI-PART
QUESTIONS INDIVIDUALLY