

Application for Adoption of a Sighthound

I, _____, owner/tenant of

_____ herewith apply for permission to keep the following Sighthound adopted from Sighthound Rescue SA (SRSA) on the premises:

Colour:

Age:

Sex:

I hereby agree to keep my pet in a responsible manner and to provide proper care as set out in the adoption policy.

All animals adopted from the HWC Rescue Scheme will be sterilised if age-appropriate, microchipped, inoculated, dewormed and a property check will be conducted by a representative of the HWC.

Signature

Date

Personal details of applicant

Full name: _____

Home address: _____

Postal address: _____

Telephone numbers:

Home: _____

Work: _____

Cell (1): _____

Cell (2): _____

Email: _____

ID: _____

Occupation: _____

Work address: _____

Your family

How many adults in the family? _____

How many children and ages? _____

Is there someone at home during the day? _____

Specify: _____

Your pets past and present

How many dogs/cats have you owned over the past five years?

Dogs: _____

Cats: _____

What happened to the pets you no longer have? _____

Details of dogs/cats you currently own:

Breed	Age	Sex	Sterilised? Yes/No	Dewormed? How often?	Inoculated? How often?
Other pets:					

Do you think your current pets will adjust to a the dog you are applying for?

What brand of food do you feed your animals? _____

Have you ever sent a dog to a shelter or given a dog away? _____

Have you ever had a pet euthanised? _____

If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever adopted an animal before? _____ When? _____

Why do you want a dog:

- Companion for other dog?
- Companionhip?
- House pet?
- Watchdog?
- Other specify: _____
- Hunting/racing?
- Personal protection?
- Breeding? HWC does not allow Whippets to be adopted for breeding.

What made you decide on a Whippet as your choice for a pet dog?

Is the Sighthound for yourself? _____

Can you afford private veterinary fees? _____

Details of your vet: _____

Will you exercise your dog regularly? _____

Will you walk the Whippet walk on a lead? _____

Where will the dogs be kept during the day? Indoors / Outdoors

If outdoors during the day, what kind of shelter will you provide?

- Kennels? _____
- Verandah? _____
- Garage? _____
- Other specify: _____

Where will the dogs be kept at night? Indoors mandatory – not negotiable

Who will look after your dogs when you go away on holiday? _____

If you move, will you take the dogs with you? _____

If no, please explain: _____

Will you allow a representative to do a home check? _____

Will you take responsibility for the dog for the next 10 to 16 years? _____

What provisions will you make for the dog should you become unable to care for it?

Your property

Do you rent or own your residence? _____

Type of dwelling?

- House _____
- Flat _____
- Cluster _____
- Townhouse _____
- Cottage _____
- Plot _____
- Other specify: _____

How long have you stayed there? _____

Full description of your fencing and gates (height and type):

Is your yard open plan or divided? _____

Do you have an area which is secure from gates opening to the road for when your dog is outside?

Do you have a swimming pool? _____

If so, is it enclosed or otherwise made safe? _____

Declaration

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that the above information is correct and agree to pay the full adoption fee of R_____ to Sighthound Rescue SA.

Signature

Date

Witness for SRSA

Sighthound Rescue SA Adoption Policy

Please read this adoption policy carefully as it is an agreement between SRSA and the undersigned.

1. I declare that I am over the age of 18 years.
2. I will not chain/cage the animal and I understand that if it is found chained/caged, it will be removed from my care immediately.
3. I take note that it is against SRSA policy to dispose of an animal adopted from the SRSA Rescue Scheme by selling it or giving it away as a gift to a third party. If for any reason I am unable to keep the Sighthound, I will return it to the SRSA.
4. I will ensure that all inoculations and deworming are kept up to date, that rabies vaccinations are done every three years and, in case of injury or illness, I will provide qualified veterinary care.
5. After adoption, the costs of inoculations and deworming, as well as any other veterinary costs, become my responsibility.
6. I will notify SRSA immediately should the Sighthound die (in writing and the reason) or go missing.
7. I will not use or allow the Sighthound to be used for hunting or racing.
8. I will notify SRSA of any change of address and contact details.
9. I consent to the compulsory sterilisation of the Sighthound by the SRSA if age-appropriate. If the Sighthound is less than six months old, I agree to sterilise this Sighthound at six months of age and to supply veterinarian confirmation of this procedure to SRSA.
10. I will ensure that my Sighthound is properly and adequately fed and housed.
11. I will make proper boarding arrangements for the Sighthound when I go on holiday.
12. I will permit a representative of the SRSA to visit my premises to perform checks on the Sighthound and the conditions in which it is kept.
13. I will allow SRSA to repossess the Sighthound without any refund if, in the opinion of SRSA, the terms of this agreement have not been adhered to in spirit and deed.
14. My property is adequately enclosed and at no time shall I knowingly allow my Sighthound to roam the streets.
15. I reserve the right to discuss the content of this agreement with an authorised member of SRSA should there be any unclarity.
16. I hereby declare that I accept and understand the adoption policy.

Name and surname

Signature

SRSA witness

Date

Sighthound

Sex: _____

Age: _____

Colour: _____

Microchip: _____

Please do not hesitate to phone your contact person SRSA for advice. Any communication from you regarding the progress of your puppy is always greatly appreciated.

Special Sighthound collars and pyjama coats, which are required in winter, are available from Rosemary Smith on 016-366-4078 or smithvale@telkomsa.net.