



# Sylvan Lake & Area Serenity Pet Shelter Adoption Application Form

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We are a registered non-profit society and a registered Canadian Charity.  
Our goal is to build a permanent no-kill shelter.

Sylvan Lake and Area Serenity Pet Shelter Society consists of a small group of volunteers who work diligently to rescue, rehabilitate and re-home canines and felines needing our help.

As a non-profit organization, we provide rescue services when needed, to dogs and cats for a variety of reasons including trauma, abandonment, or surrender in Sylvan Lake and other areas in Central Alberta and place these animals in the safety of a foster home system while awaiting suitable placement in forever, adoptive homes.

Please give careful consideration to adopting an animal. Animals are not novelties, toys or short-term commitments. Make sure your lifestyle allows for the time, patience and expense that this animal will need over the years.

## **Steps for Adopting from Serenity:**

- 1) Begins with an inquiry by phone, text, email, or Facebook.
- 2) Adoption application form is sent via email to you or you can complete it online.
- 3) You return the completed form electronically. Please answer all questions.
- 4) Your application is reviewed. We may contact you to clarify any concerns or expand on any information.
- 5) We select the application(s) that are best suited to the pet and arrange to have a meet and greet at the foster's home.
- 6) Meet and greet is held, applicant and pet(s) get to interact.
- 7) We make the final decision. Please bear in mind that we try our hardest to match families and pets for the best outcome. It is not that one application is better than another - just that one is best suited to this particular pet.
- 8) The last step occurs when we deliver the pet and complete the home visit. At this time the adoption agreement is signed and the adoption fee is paid.

## **Serenity's policies and procedures include:**

- 1) Vaccinations to date for all pets, de-worming and vet checked.
- 2) Spay or neuter of all qualified animals. This is based on our veterinarian's advice.
- 3) All pets are micro chipped and receive 6 weeks of free insurance through Pet Watch.
- 4) All rescued animals have had all necessary medical care up to date, including surgery for injuries when necessary.
- 5) Our normal fees for altered dog or puppy.....\$400. and altered cat or kitten..... \$175.
- 6) Special circumstance pets may require changes to our normal policies and fees. In that case, we carefully discuss and will have additional documentation.



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

Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of animal you are applying to adopt: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include physical address if different from mailing address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Phones: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

(C) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of time at this address \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent? \_\_\_\_\_

If you rent, please provide your Landlord name and phone number:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your home and yard:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Farm / Acreage / House / Duplex / Apartment / Townhouse / Mobile / Condominium

What kind of space will your pet have access to?

Fenced Yard / Dog House / Dog Run / Cat Run

Will there be any part of your home that pets would not be allowed? \_\_\_\_\_



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Where will the pet sleep? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the pet spend most of its time? \_\_\_\_\_

What will you do with them when you are at work or not at home?

Have you ever owned a pet before? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what type: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently have pets? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please list below:

Type	Breed	Age	Altered	Vaccinated	Indoor/Outdoor
Dog/Cat/Other	_____		Yes / No	Yes / No	In / Out / Both
Dog/Cat/Other	_____		Yes / No	Yes / No	In / Out / Both
Dog/Cat/Other	_____		Yes / No	Yes / No	In / Out / Both
Dog/Cat/Other	_____		Yes / No	Yes / No	In / Out / Both
Dog/Cat/Other	_____		Yes / No	Yes / No	In / Out / Both

Would you object to a visit or call from us to follow up on how you and your new family member(s) are doing? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please list two references (name, relationship, phone number)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to adopt? Please Check:

- Gift for someone
- Companion for myself/family
- Watch dog
- Guard dog
- Companion for other animal
- To breed



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Are you familiar with crate/kennel training? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

What are your thoughts on it?

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Will you be using a crate/kennel as a form of punishment? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

How long would your pet be kept in a crate/kennel at any one time? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you think are the most important responsibilities in owning a pet?

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Are you willing to take the time to work with an animal on housebreaking issues should the need arise? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Are you willing to take the animal to training classes? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Do you understand that changing an animals environment may cause it to have accidents, hide, hiss, and be under duress in the early days of adoption? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

How will you ensure your pet does not wander from your property? Circle all that apply:

Keep in House / Keep in Garage or Barn / Keep on chain or leash outside / Keep in outdoor Kennel / Fenced Yard / Other \_\_\_\_\_

Describe you might respond to Kitten/Puppy mistakes such as furniture scratching, chewing on items (shoes, furniture etc.) biting, soiling on floors?

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Have you ever had to surrender/give away any of your pets? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_



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For what reason?

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Do you have experience handling and training animals? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Do children frequently visit your home? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Is your household equally enthusiastic about adopting a pet? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

In the absence of the primary care giver, who will take care of the pet?

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Are you comfortably able to provide the estimated care for your pet as well as any emergency cost that may occur? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Estimate what you think the monthly or yearly cost to maintain your pet would be:

- Food \_\_\_\_\_
- Grooming \_\_\_\_\_
- Obedience Classes \_\_\_\_\_
- Vaccinations \_\_\_\_\_
- Eye, Ear, Dentals & Emergencies \_\_\_\_\_
- Beds, blankets, toys \_\_\_\_\_

Please comment on the phrase "getting rid of" as it refers to pets: \_\_\_\_\_

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Marital Status: Married / Single / Divorced / Widow(er) / C/L



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Other family members: (please include children's ages)

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Does anyone in your family have allergies to pet hair? If yes, please explain.

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How busy is your family schedule? Very Busy / Busy / Not busy/ other \_\_\_\_\_

How would you describe the activity level in your household? For example, do you walk daily?

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Have you ever owned a pet before? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Do you still have that pet? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

If no, please explain:

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Do you have any pets now? Please describe, including type, gender and ages, and whether they are spayed or neutered.

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Are there any restrictions or covenants where you live? \_\_\_\_\_



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Of all the applications we receive for adoption we can only chose one. The pet is placed in the most suited home. It you are not the successful applicant, please do not be discouraged.

The next pet may be perfect for you.

Please check the following if you applying to adopt a dog/puppy:

<b>I would like my dog to:</b>	<b>Very Important</b>	<b>Quite Important</b>	<b>Not Important</b>
Be friendly with children			
Be friendly with other dogs			
Be friendly with cats			
Be calm			
Be playful			
Other: please list			
<b>Some dogs require special training:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Not sure</b>
I need a dog that is already trained.			
I am a first time dog owner			
I have experience in obedience			



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## **Adoption Agreement**

- I agree that the animal being adopted is for myself and will not be sold, adopted or given to another party.
- (if adopting a dog/puppy) I agree that this dog/puppy is to be a companion animal; not a guard dog trained to attack and that the dog will live inside my home.
- I agree to care for the animal in a humane manner. This includes supplying adequate food, water, shelter, attention and medical care.
- I agree that if at any point I cannot keep the animal I will surrender him/her to Sylvan Lake & Area Serenity Pet Shelter Society without requesting a fee or refund.
- I agree that Sylvan Lake & Area Serenity Pet Shelter Society may call and/or visit my home to check on the adjustment and progress of this animal.
- I agree that the dog will not wear a pinch (prong) collar or any similar article around the neck for the purpose of any basic training.
- I agree to keep this pet healthy with proper nutrition and veterinary care and to keep this pet safe from all harm.
- I take full responsibility for any damages that occur as a result of the natural growing and adapting process of this pet.

I have read the above information carefully and have filled out this application honestly. I understand that omission of information can result in this application being declined. I agree if the above terms are not met, Sylvan Lake & Area Serenity Pet Shelter has the right to reclaim the pet without notice and without refund.

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

Signature of adopting Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Serenity Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

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