

## What Kind of Dogs Need to Be Rescued?

Dogs come to Peaceful Paws directly from their owners or from shelters.

Common reasons include:

- size
- time
- new baby
- divorce
- economy
- no training
- stray



## What is the adoption process?

Our typical adoption process consists of several steps to ensure that the dog and the family are a good match:

- application
- vet check
- phone interview
- home check
- dog meet
- contract
- trial period
- finalization

## Do You Require a Fenced Yard?

Not always. As is the case for most decisions here at Peaceful Paws, it depends on whether the dog requires a fenced in yard. Some dogs do, others do not. Don't let an unfenced yard discourage you from applying!

## So an Electronic Fence is OK?

Sorry, but no. There are multiple reasons we don't like electronic fencing but two primary reasons:

1. We really don't believe that shocking a dog or even threatening to shock a dog is OK, and
2. It's unfair to people and dogs walking the streets with electronic fences who are charged by dogs behind an invisible barrier.



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## Q & A: Rescuing a Giant Dog



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## How do I know I'll get a dog that fits my lifestyle?

On our side, we'll make sure the dog meets your criteria for living with kids, cats and/or dogs, plus we'll consider activity level and environment.

On your side, you should do the same. Pay attention to whether a dog is good with whatever combination of kids/cats/dogs you have or plan to have in the near future.

## Can I get a puppy?

We rarely have puppies in rescue. Consider an older dog whose personality is already defined and who needs a home. Puppies are cute but they are typically a lot more work than an older dog.

Be a total rockstar and consider a dog over the age of 6--these are some of the true gems of rescue. Senior dogs are gifts who are often overlooked.



## Do you have a kennel I can visit?

Sorry, we don't have a central facility.

Almost all of our dogs are living with foster families who are working with them to learn manners, understanding their foster's personality traits, and dealing with any medical issues.

## What about health/medical issues?

All of our dogs are vetted. They are up to date on rabies and distemper, tested for heartworm and treated for any known health problems. We inform potential adopters of any health problems of which we are aware.

## What about behavioral issues?

It's true. Some rescue dogs have issues. But most people we know do too! One dog's behavior issue is another family's dream dog--it's funny how a dog that is too active for one family is happy as a clam with another family. Or the dog with food aggression doesn't have problems in a house where the dogs are all fed separately.

We treat each dog as a unique individual whose personality needs to match the family who adopts him or her. Our philosophy is that there's a family out there for each dog, and we'll wait to find it!

## Why should I adopt from Peaceful Paws?

Adopt from us only if we have a dog who matches your lifestyle and your family. We're not the only reputable rescue in the area. But if you do rescue from us, rest assured you're getting the best services: we care for and love the dogs in rescue, our matchmaking process is tailored to meet each dog's specific needs, and we follow through on any issues. We're small enough to care, and we're passionate about what we do.

## What dog breeds do you rescue?

- Borzoi
- Bullmastiff
- English Mastiff
- Great Dane
- Great Pyrenees
- Greater Swiss Mountain Dog
- Irish Wolfhound
- Leonberger
- Neapolitan Mastiff
- Newfoundland
- Saint Bernard
- Scottish Deerhound
- Tibetan Mastiff

## What are your fees?

Our dogs are vetted, spayed/neutered, and up to date on rabies and distemper. Adoption donations are:

- \$400 - dogs under 1 year of age
- \$350 - dogs 1-6 years of age
- \$250 - dogs 6+ years of age



## Where do I start? I'm interested.

- Check our website for available dogs
- Fill out an online application at:  
[www.peacefulpawsrescue.org/adopt/application.htm](http://www.peacefulpawsrescue.org/adopt/application.htm)
- email us if you find a specific dog of interest

Good luck!