

# Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue Foster Application

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (no P.O. Box #): \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Name and Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation and Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse or Life Partner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse or Life Partner Employer Name & Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

List all other adults and children living in your home & provide Full Name, Age & Relationship  
**(SCMR has a policy that we not adopt to or approve homes to foster that have children 10 years or younger):**

List all children and their ages who visit your home (grandchildren, neighbors, etc.):

Do you or any member of your family have any on-going medical conditions or physical limitations (including any allergies) that might interfere with fostering a new dog? Yes  No  If yes, please explain:

Are all family members in agreement with the decision to foster?

Do you own your home? Yes  No

Do you rent? Yes  No  House  Apartment  Condo  Townhouse  Other

If renting, does your permit pets? Yes  No  Please provide the landlord's name and phone number.

Do you have a fenced yard attached to your home? Yes  No  If yes, describe your fence, including material it is made of plus general size.

Are your dogs always supervised when they are outside? Yes  No  If No explain:

If there is no fence, how do you plan to potty your foster dog?

Do you have a pool? Yes  No  If yes, is it fenced separately? Yes  No

## **PET HISTORY**

Describe previous pets and what happened to them. Do you currently own other pets? Yes No If Yes, please give a brief description of each one (dog / cat, breed type, weight, spayed / neutered, temperament, etc).

Have you ever fostered dogs before? Yes  No  If yes, what group were you working with?

Can you isolate the foster dog from your other pets initially or in the event that they cannot get along? Yes  No  How?

Do you ever use a crate or Xpen for your pets? Yes  No  When?

How many hours a day will the foster dog be alone? Where will the foster dog be kept when you are gone?

Where will the foster dog sleep at night?

Do your other dogs have any medical issues? Are your dogs / cats current on shots and vaccinations? Yes  No

Do you test for heartworm every year and on heartworm preventative medication? Yes  No  Which heartworm preventative medication?

Do you use flea preventative on your dogs? Yes  No  If Yes, how often and which one?

## **FAMILY / LIFESTYLE**

Is everyone in your family agreeable to you fostering this dog? Yes  No  Who is not?

If you go on vacation, who will take care of the Maltese?

Will you pick up a dog from a home or shelter if that is needed? Yes  No

How far are you willing to travel to pick up a foster dog?

Are you willing to participate in transport if one of our dogs needs to be moved across state(s)? Yes  No

There may be times when you are asked to foster more than 2 Maltese. Are you willing to do this? Yes  No

Will you accept a permanent foster Maltese? Yes  No

## **CARE of MALTESE**

Do you understand the temperament, socialization, grooming, health issues and proper care of a Maltese? Yes  No

Do you understand that the foster dog must live in your home as a loved family member and is not an outside dog? Yes  No

If you have to pick up a dog that is coming into our rescue care, it may have ticks and fleas; have an illness or infection and badly matted hair. Are you prepared to deal with such a situation, to treat, care for, bathe and groom this Maltese? Yes  No

Do you realize that you may have to foster for months or an indefinite time until the dog is ready or able to be placed? Yes  No

Foster homes may have to deal with behavior issues. These may include things such as house training, excessive barking, fear of children, submissive wetting, marking territory or nipping at heels. Dogs that come from a puppy mill may have very different behavior patterns than dogs that are surrendered by an owner. Do you feel you are capable and prepared to deal with any behavior issues? Yes  No

Do you understand that you are expected to administer any medication or treatment the dog may need? Yes  No

If the dog has aggressive tendencies through fear or dominance issues do you feel capable of handling the situation and able to help retrain the dog? Do you have any experience with this? Yes  No

Maltese need to be brushed several times a week if their hair is long. Are you prepared to do this? Yes  No  (SCMR cannot pay for grooming expenses on foster dogs)

Do you understand that you are expected to review applications and participate in the selection of the forever home for your foster dog? Yes  No

### **PERSONAL REFERENCES**

Please give us the names of two (2) personal references (not relatives):

Name:  
How do you know this person?

Phone:

Name:  
How do you know this person?

Phone:

Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue will contact your veterinarian. You may wish to contact him/her prior to our call and give permission for us to discuss your past pet history.

Veterinarian Business Name:

Phone Number:

Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

All the information in this application is true and correct. I understand and agree to abide by the terms and conditions herein. I understand that any misrepresentation of the facts may result in my not being approved to provide Maltese foster care or the removal of the foster dog from my home by Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue.

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

Return this Foster Application with your signature to:  
Southern Comfort Maltese Rescue,  
PO Box 2005  
Chattanooga, TN 37409