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**GOLDEN STATE
German Shepherd Rescue**

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ADOPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you for filling out this questionnaire. Your answers will help us match your needs with the dogs in our program. Please complete this form and either **mail** or **email** it to the addresses above or **fax** to 510-217-6279.

Adoption fees are \$350 for dogs 12 months or younger and \$300 for dogs over 12 months

PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM COMPLETELY OR WE CANNOT PROCESS IT.

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Primary Phone: (_____) _____ Alternate Phone: (_____) _____
E-mail: _____
What days/times are best to reach you by phone? _____

- Has everyone in the family discussed and agreed on getting a new dog? Yes No
Who will be primarily responsible for the dog's care? _____
- Are you financially prepared to provide regular veterinary care? Yes No
Name and city of your veterinarian: _____
Do you need a referral for veterinary care? Yes No
- Are there children who live in your home? Yes No What are the children's ages? _____
- Are there children who visit your home? Yes No
What are the children's ages? _____ How often do they visit? _____
- Do you currently have other animals? Yes No Are they Inside Outside?
Are they spayed and/or neutered? Yes No Livestock? Yes No
If you have other pets, please list their breed, age and sex: _____
If you no longer have your pets, what happened to them? _____
- Do you own or rent your home? Own Rent
Current residence is: House Condo/Townhouse Apartment Farm/Ranch
If you rent, you will be required to complete and submit a "Landlord Permission Agreement" (provided by GSGSR) confirming you're allowed to keep a German Shepherd Dog on the premises.
- Please describe fencing in the yard or exercise area where your dog will be outside:
 Fenced yard Partially fenced yard Fenced yard area for dog No fence "Invisible" fence
 Enclosed dog kennel/run No yard
- Indicate height of your fence at its lowest point: 4' or less 5' 6' or higher No fence
How are fence gates secured? _____

9. Do you have any known hazards, such as poisonous plants, outside electrical wire or an unfenced pool with no way for the dog to climb out? Are there any structures that would allow your dog to climb out of the exercise yard?
 Yes No explain: _____
10. How much time per day do you plan to exercise your dog? What kind of exercise? _____

11. Why do you want a German Shepherd Dog (GSD)? *Check all that apply:*
 I have never owned a GSD, but heard they make good family pets
 I had a dog growing up
 I have owned other dog breeds before
 I have owned several GSDs and love their intelligence, athletic ability, trainability and confidence
 I have previously owned a GSD (or similar breed) and want another one to do competitive dog sports with
 I am looking for a dog that alarm barks and provides visual deterrent
 I am looking for a serious protection or guard dog
 I am looking for a dog to train as a working service dog explain service: _____
12. Please tell us about your experience training dogs. *Check all that apply:*
 None Read books and magazines
 Attended seminars or took online courses Pet store, Group recreational classes
 Private recreational classes Agility, flyball, other recreational sports classes
 Intermediate or advanced classes Formal advanced training for competitive obedience or dog sports
 Earned working titles Professional level military, service, or law enforcement work
 Do you need a referral for dog training? Yes No
13. What kinds of activities do you want to participate in with your dog? *Check all that apply:*
 Neighborhood walks, backyard games Visits to dog parks (off leash with other dogs)
 Games, household obedience, hikes, jogging, camping General dog companionship
 Structured obedience, recreational sports, canine good citizen
 Competitive dog sports (i.e. agility, flyball, herding, tracking, schutzhund, field trials, nose work)
 Other (please explain) _____
14. How long will your dog be unsupervised/without human companionship during the typical weekday?
 Rarely 2-4 hours 4-7 hours 7-10 hours More than 10 hours
15. Where will your dog to spend its time?
 Inside most of the time with access to outside
 Inside when you're home, outside when you're gone Mostly outside in yard, rarely in house
16. Where will your dog sleep?
 Outdoors in kennel or doghouse Garage Inside with family
17. What type of dog would you prefer?
 Gender: male female no preference
 Age: puppy (under 1 yr) young adult (1-3 yrs) adult (3-6 yrs) senior (7+ yrs) no preference
 Color: "classic" black and tan bi-color black and tan sable all black all white no preference
 Coat: short long no preference
18. Where did you hear about our organization? *Check all that apply:*
 Golden State GSR Website Petfinder.com Another rescue group
 Craigslist Animal Shelter Facebook
 Friend Veterinarian Other _____
19. Are you working with any other rescue groups or shelters to find a dog? Yes No
 If yes, please list: _____
Note: we do not share questionnaires with other groups, you must complete our form in order to adopt our dogs.
20. Do you have any additional comments to help us find the right dog for you?

