



ADOPTION PROCESS – STEP BY STEP GUIDE



THE FINAL ACT



It's finally time – you've done all the hard work to help your foster dog get on the right track to be adopted. Now he/she is listed for adoption. What's next?

Please communicate with your FC throughout the whole process and let them know which apps you are contacting, which are not a good fit. Communication is the key to help everyone stay on the same page.



ADOPT ME

STEPS TO A SUCCESSFUL ADOPTION

#1 APPLICATIONS

The application team will start getting apps for your foster dog. We will process them and only send along the apps that are approved.

- ❑ It's NOT a first come first serve. It's whatever is the best fit for your foster dog. We don't know your foster as well as you do. Just because an app is approved doesn't mean that it's the best fit for the dog.

- ❑ Calling the app is the BEST way to see if there is a potential good match. You can ask questions & answer questions and get a better feel for them by having a conversation. Emails or texts are not nearly as effective.



#2 IS IT A POTENTIAL MATCH?

If after talking to an applicant, you both agree there may be a good match, set up a meet and greet with the applicant.

- ❑ It's your choice where the meet & greet happens. It can be at your house, the applicant's house, or somewhere neutral like a park.

- ❑ All members of the app's family should be at the meet. You need to see how everyone interacts with the dog - especially children.



#3 PREP FOR THE MEET

Make sure you & your foster dog are prepared for the meet and greet. The dog & the harness should be clean - a quick bath the day before so they're not meeting a stinky dog will go a long way in how they view the pup and PPR.

- ❑ Make sure you have all of the dog's vet paperwork prior to the meet. (Your FC will help you with this) Also make sure you write down when the next HW/Flea meds are due.

- ❑ Ask your FC to email you the adoption contract link so you have it ready if there's an adoption. Please DO NOT email the link to the applicant ahead of time. Wait until they've met the dog and decide to officially adopt.



#4 THE MEET & GREET

If all goes well and the applicant likes the dog and you think they're a good fit then you can finalize the adoption. If you're not sure (or they're not sure), or it isn't a good match, DO NOT do the adoption. Call your FC during the meet and greet if you need guidance or have any questions.

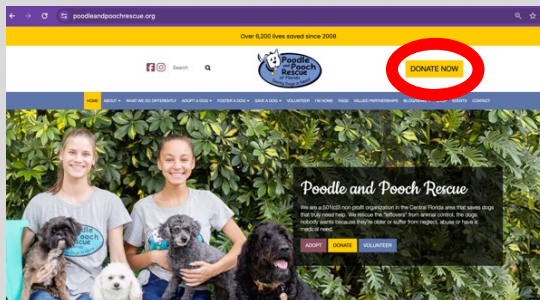
- ❑ Every adoption has a minimum of a one-week trial period. That is not set in stone and can be extended if needed. Please communicate with your FC if you have a difficult dog that may require a longer trial period.

- ❑ Please let the adopter know that at any time if they decide that they can't keep the dog that they're to contact us and we'll take the dog back. It doesn't matter when they adopted - once a PPR dog, always a PPR dog!



#5 FINALIZING THE ADOPTION

- ❑ **The adoption contract** - Either email it to them so they can complete it **on their phone or computer**, or you can have them do it **on your phone**.
- ❑ **Adoption donation** – ways to collect:
 - **Credit Card or PayPal:** go to www.PPRFL.org and click on any “DONATE” button
 - **Venmo:** @Poodleand-PoochRescue
 - **CashApp:** \$PPRFLORIDA
 - **Cash:** You'll have to deposit the cash in your account and either send a check or pay with a cc or PayPal.



#6 I'M HOME PHOTO

We ask you to **PLEASE** snap a few pictures of the dog with their new family before they leave. We know that there are times when the dog is shy and it's very difficult to get a picture. **But please do your best.** Even if they say that they will send pictures later, more times than not they don't and it becomes a lot of work to get the photos.

- ❑ Email or text the I'm Home photo to your FC



Congratulations!

You did it! You found your foster dog a great home.



You will more than likely shed some tears and be sad. **It's very common.** We love them like they are our own and they become a part of our family. **It's ok to be a bit sad.**

But please **feel good that you helped a dog that needed you** on their journey to find their forever family and live a great life. Now you **have room to help another dog** in need.



Be the change
FOSTER. 🏠

We need you to keep helping more dogs. **Fosters are the backbone of PPR.** Without you, we cannot save more dogs in need.