

Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc ADOPTION APPLICATION

We thank you for contacting **Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc.** on behalf of the many Cocker Spaniels in need of new homes and those rescue groups providing them adoption assistance.

Cocker Spaniels are extremely loving and intelligent dogs, looking for a caring home to give them a second start at life. Cocker Spaniels have, at any age, a lot of life left in them and they have the added nature of being calm confident companions.

The following adoption application will help us determine the particulars you are looking for in a dog, but also to which Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc. group member nearest you to forward your adoption inquiry.

Adoption applications will be required. It should be understood that applications for adopting a Cocker through Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc. are subject to acceptance based on a review process that may require collecting information from an application, phone interview, vet and/or personal reference check, and a home visit.

Making decisions about dog placement in adoptive homes is an "art", not a "science", and there might be times when applications will be denied for various reason(s). This is left to the discretion of the Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc. coordinator after reviewing all available information.

Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc. reserves the right to make all decisions regarding placement or final disposition of any rescued dog in its care into an adoptive home. There is absolutely no guarantee, made or implied, that any person or persons requesting to adopt a Cocker Spaniel being fostered through Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc. or posted on Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc. web site, or equivalent sites, will be granted an adoption.

Dogs available for adoption are carefully evaluated by our dedicated fosters. We may ask many questions of prospective adopters so that we can make just the right match between dog and adopter. The information you supply will help us do that.

Questions regarding an application that has been already submitted should be directed to info@cockerspanielrecovery.com. If you are not initially contacted within seven days, please e-mail us.

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Name (1)		
Name (2)		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home (1)	Work:	Cell:
Home (2)	Work:	Cell:
Email (1)	Email (2)	

NOTE: You must advise us of any changes in your contact information before and after you apply to adopt. Otherwise, we may not be able to forward on to you information of available dogs we feel may be of interest to you.

YOUR FAMILY & HOME

Names of all persons in the family include children and their ages.		
Do you live in a house, apartment, condo or mobile home?		
Do you own or rent?	Yes _____ No _____	How long?
If you rent, what is the dog weight approved by your landlord? _____ lbs.		
Do you have a fenced yard?	Yes _____ No _____	Size of yard?
Fencing height?	Fencing Material?	
Do you have a patio?	Yes _____ No _____	Covered? Yes _____ No _____
Do you have a dog run or kennel?	Yes _____ No _____	

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GENERAL QUESTIONS

What are your reasons for wanting a Cocker Spaniel?

Brief history of a previously owned Cocker Spaniel(s) If any:

Brief history of other previously owned dog(s) If any:

Do you own any other animals? Describe what, age, spayed or neutered, microchipped and how long have you owned the animal(s)?

IF YOU PRESENTLY OWN OTHER DOGS: Do you feel you know your dog(s) overall temperament well enough to know that he or she will accept a new dog in the home?

IF YOU PRESENTLY OWN OTHER DOGS: Will you and your family members be able to handle any dominance behavior, humanely, that may surface during the acclimation period of the new dog in the home, particularly concerning "like sexes?"

NOTE: Some Cocker Spaniels, like other hunting breeds, may have a strong hunting instinct. If you wish to adopt, it is important that you be able to successfully introduce the newly adopted dog to other family pets in a way and manner to keep all animals from harm.

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GENERAL QUESTIONS cont.

Does anyone in the home have health problems or allergies?	
Have you attended dog obedience classes?	Yes _____ No _____
Will you enroll your adopted dog in obedience classes whether a basic or refresher level course?	Yes _____ No _____
Will you license your dog with the licensing authority for your area?	Yes _____ No _____
Are you familiar with Alpha and Beta dog and pack behavior?	Yes _____ No _____
Do you feel you are knowledgeable with dominance behavior?	Yes _____ No _____
Do you feel you can successfully deal with a dominant bitch or dog?	Yes _____ No _____
Do you know how often dogs needs vaccinations, and what vaccines are necessary?	Yes _____ No _____
Are you familiar with heart worm and Lyme disease prevention?	Yes _____ No _____
Are you familiar with portable dog crates and their uses?	Yes _____ No _____
Will you be crating the dog you adopt?	Yes _____ No _____
Number of hours your Cocker Spaniel will be left alone during the day/night and where?	
Where will your dog sleep at night?	
How active is your lifestyle? How do you enjoy/spend your free time? (Ex: sports, reading, vacationing, golf, drawing)	
How much time do you have in exercising your Cocker Spaniel?	
Are you familiar with the grooming needs of a Cocker Spaniel?	Yes _____ No _____

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GENERAL QUESTIONS cont.

SEX, COLOR & BREEDING PREFERENCES - We urge you not to lock yourself into a certain sex, color or look. Once neutered or spayed, the behavior of both males and females will equally make for a wonderful pet. What separates them most is their personality. Like people, they come with their own special souls. Receive your Cocker with an open heart and mind. There is one waiting to win your heart, we promise!

Are you looking for a male or female?	Male ____ Female ____ Either ____
Are you looking for a specific color?	Yes ____ No ____
What is the age range of a Cocker Spaniel you will consider?	Age Range _____
Would you consider a "Special Needs" Cocker Spaniel?	Yes ____ No ____
How far would you travel to meet a Cocker Spaniel to adopt?	_____ Miles
Do you agree your adopted Cocker Spaniel should be neutered or spayed?	Yes ____ No ____

Dogs end up in shelters, Humane Societies, and county animal control facilities for various reasons. Spaniels are as susceptible to this as any dog. They are impounded in shelters as owner-surrenders due to various reasons, or picked up off the streets as strays.

Do you agree to give adoption consideration to a shelter impound?	Yes ____ No ____
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INTERSTATE ADOPTIONS

INTERSTATE ADOPTIONS - Please keep in mind that even though photos can be exchanged, you probably will not have an initial contact with the dog before adoption. You must heavily rely on information provided by the shelter where the dog is impounded, by the relinquishing owner, or the foster care home as to the rescue's health and temperament.

Would you consider an interstate adoption, and be willing to pay the associated shipping costs, if any? Yes ____ No ____
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NOTE: The final decision about whether to ship a Cocker Spaniel is made by that state's coordinator.

How did you find about the Cockers Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc.?

Are you interested in being contacted with information about how you can be further involved with Cocker Spaniel Recovery Foundation, Inc. activities? Yes ____ No ____ Need more info. _____

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PLEASE USE THIS SPACE FOR ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

Thank You!!

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