



**Golden Bond Rescue of Oregon, Inc.**  
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## **ADOPTION APPLICATION**

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this application. Please answer the questions in this application with your ultimate goal in mind: adopting a rescued Golden. If a question does not apply to you, please write N/A in the response area.

Please fill out this form completely and clearly using either **black ink or black type only**. Please include area codes with all phone numbers, and please include your email address, if at all possible. One of our representatives will be contacting you shortly after we receive your application.

**ADOPTION APPLICATION FEE:** Please include a check for the \$25.00 non-refundable application fee. Your application will not be processed until we receive the \$25.00 fee. Prior to completing the application, please review all sections in the *Before You Start* section of our web page. Return Adopters need not include the application fee. Please write at the top of the application **RETURN ADOPTER**.

**Families with Children:** Please note that as of June 1, 2011, Golden Bond Rescue will no longer adopt Golden retrievers to families with children under 10 years old. Please review *Kids and Dogs* on our web site for specifics.

Mail your completed Adoption Application to:

Adoption Application  
Golden Bond Rescue of Oregon, Inc.  
14111 S. Union Mills Rd.  
Mulino, OR 97042

NOTE: With the new rates postage is now a minimum \$2.00 to \$2.50 to mail this application. Please be sure you have the correct postage. The Post Office will return envelopes requiring additional postage, holding up your application. **At this time, we do not accept applications sent by email or FAX.**

**General Questions about Rescue and Adoption, please e-mail: [goldenbondrescue@yahoo.com](mailto:goldenbondrescue@yahoo.com)**

## **ABOUT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY**

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

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: spouse  partner  roommate  other: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> applicant's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe any animals you currently have:

Types (dog, cat, bird, livestock, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Breeds: \_\_\_\_\_

Genders (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_

Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Spayed/Neutered (specify for each pet listed); \_\_\_\_\_

Have any of your current dogs shown aggression towards another dog or people? \_\_\_\_\_

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

### **ABOUT YOUR HOUSEHOLD**

Do you have children or grandchildren who live with you (if "yes," underline which)? YES  NO

Number of boys: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_ Names \_\_\_\_\_

Number of girls: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_ Names \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any other residents in the house? YES  NO  Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there other animals or people who regularly visit your home (parent's dog, neighborhood children, relatives, etc.)?

YES  NO  If YES, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Animal Type (dog, cat, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Spayed/Neutered: \_\_\_\_\_

Are all the pets present in your household up to date on their vaccinations? YES  NO

Do you have any immune-compromised pets? YES  NO

Are there any special-needs pets in your household? YES  NO

If adopting, are ALL household members in complete agreement to adopting, caring for, and training a Golden Retriever? YES  NO

Do any family members have an allergy to dogs? YES  NO

Part of agreeing to adopt a Golden will include an in-home visit when all people and animals in the home are present.

Would you be agreeable to a home visit? YES  NO

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## ABOUT YOUR HOME

What type of home do you live in?

Own home  Condo/Townhouse  Mobile home  Other

How long have you lived at your present address? \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months

If less than one year, give previous address. \_\_\_\_\_

What are the maximum number of steps in the home which the dog will be expected to negotiate *on a regular basis*?: \_\_\_\_\_

### About Your Yard

Is your yard fenced? YES  NO  Does your fencing completely enclose a yard? YES  NO

Approximate height of fence: \_\_\_\_\_ feet.

Please describe the fencing: Material: Block  Wood  Chain Link  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you lock your gates? YES  NO

Describe your yard:

Approximate size: \_\_\_\_\_ feet by \_\_\_\_\_ feet

Grass? YES  NO

Gravel? YES  NO

Trees? YES  NO

Bark Dust? YES  NO

Separate kennel run? YES  Approximate size: \_\_\_\_\_ feet by \_\_\_\_\_ feet NO

Do you have a doggie door? YES  NO  If you checked "Yes," what two portions of your house and yard are connected by it? \_\_\_\_\_

Is it large enough for a golden? YES  NO

Do you have a spa? YES  NO  If YES, is it kept covered when not in use? YES  NO

Do you have a swimming pool or pond? YES  NO

Is it fenced? YES  NO  If YES, describe type of fencing: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware that most Golden Retrievers enjoy swimming and if you have an unfenced pool or pond, the Golden will most likely swim in it? YES  NO

How do you plan to train the Golden to get out of the pool or pond? \_\_\_\_\_

## YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH PETS

I consider myself:

an experienced Golden Retriever person (current or previous Golden Retriever owner as an adult)

an experienced dog owner (please list current or previous breed experience as an adult) \_\_\_\_\_

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somewhat experienced with dogs

novice dog owner

Note: Golden Bond Rescue does not consider having had a dog as a child as providing significant experience. We are interested in knowing your experience with dogs when you have had primary responsibility for the dog, i. e., decided what kind and how much food to feed, when and whether to take it to a vet and when what kind of treatment to undertake, etc.

If you do not currently have a pet, have you owned a dog before? YES  NO

What happened to your previous dog(s)? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever adopted a Rescue dog before? YES  NO

If YES, from what Rescue organization? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had to relinquish a dog? YES  NO

If YES, what were the circumstances? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever bred a dog? YES  NO

Are you familiar with the Golden Retriever breed? YES  NO

Have you previously owned a Golden Retriever? YES  NO

Please give the year when you acquired and, if now gone, lost your last dog:

\_\_\_\_\_ Year Acquired (Example: 1992)

\_\_\_\_\_ Year Lost (Example: 2002)

If you have a Golden presently, why do you want to adopt another Golden? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you have current pets, or have owned a pet before, may we contact your preferred veterinarian? YES  NO

Veterinarian's name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please provide at least one other reference other than a family member:

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

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

## THE PERFECT GOLDEN FOR YOU

Please briefly state why you would like to add a Golden to your family: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What gender dog do you prefer to foster or adopt? Male  Female  Either

What is your age preference? Puppy (< 1)  Young (1-3)  Adult (4-7)  Senior (8+)

Why? \_\_\_\_\_

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What do you expect in a Golden Retriever companion? (e.g., protection, friendship, child's friend, appearance, hunting, obedience, agility, other): \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the following canine traits in the order of most displeasing to least displeasing.

(1 = MOST displeasing to 7 = LEAST displeasing). Put a "7" for each trait that does not bother you.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Barking
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chewing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Digging
- \_\_\_\_\_ Drooling
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jumping
- \_\_\_\_\_ Odor
- \_\_\_\_\_ Shedding

Are you aware that Golden Retrievers are 'people' dogs and will want to live inside with their human family?

YES  NO

Activity Indoors: Some dogs are lively and curious in the house, they like to play with you and follow you around. Some dogs lie down most of the time. Do you think that an active dog will annoy you? YES  NO

Will it annoy you if the Golden gets up on your sofa or your bed? YES  NO

If YES, how would you train the dog not to get on the furniture? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What type of personality are you comfortable with in a dog? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of activity level are you comfortable with in a dog? Sedate  Active  Very Active

Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
(e.g. therapy, agility, hunting)

Would you be willing to adopt a dog with health problems? YES  NO  MAYBE

Would you be willing to adopt more than one dog at a time (littermates or dogs that cannot be separated)?

YES  NO  MAYBE

Would you be willing to adopt a senior dog (10+ years old) or special needs dog? YES  NO  MAYBE

Would you be willing to adopt a very young Golden or a puppy? YES  NO  MAYBE

Would you accept a mixed breed that is part Golden? YES  NO  MAYBE

## **CARING FOR YOUR GOLDEN**

Who will be the primary caretaker of the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

How long are you gone each day? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the Golden sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the Golden be housed during the day when you are home? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the Golden stay while you are gone during the day or evening (work, errands, movies, gym, etc.)?  
\_\_\_\_\_

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How often do you travel? \_\_\_\_\_

When you travel, who will care for the Golden?

Kennel  Friend's house  Trainer  Groomer  Vet  Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

What type of vehicle(s) do you own? \_\_\_\_\_

How will you transport the dog in a vehicle? \_\_\_\_\_

How will you exercise the Golden Retriever?

Daily walks  Fetching  Jogging  Hiking  Swimming  Run Free in Backyard

Dog Park  Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

Will you keep a collar on your dog? YES  NO

If YES, describe (buckle-type, quick-release type, chain-type, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

If NO, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

ID Tag? YES  NO  Microchip? YES  NO  License Tag? YES  NO

How much grooming are you willing to do? None  Daily  Weekly  Monthly

How much adult supervision of dog and child will be provided? Total  Some  Minimal  None

With neighborhood children? Total  Some  Minimal  None

How much responsibility will your child or children be given in the care and management of the dog?

Housebreaking: Total  Some  Minimal  None

Socialization: Total  Some  Minimal  None

Feeding: Total  Some  Minimal  None

Household & Social Behavior: Total  Some  Minimal  None

Grooming: Total  Some  Minimal  None

Obedience Training: Total  Some  Minimal  None

Are you aware that a Golden Retriever is considered a large breed and therefore, has higher maintenance costs (food, vet, equipment, grooming bills) than a smaller breed of dog? YES  NO

Are you willing to take your Golden to a veterinarian for an annual physical and vaccinations? YES  NO

Are you willing to have your Golden tested annually for heartworm if advised by a veterinarian in your geographic area? YES  NO

## **TRAINING YOUR GOLDEN**

Will you agree to take the dog to obedience classes if recommended by your Adoption Coordinator or the dog's foster family? YES  NO

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Have you ever completed an obedience class with a previously owned dog or current dog? YES  NO

If yes, what were the training techniques you learned? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you understand that Golden Retrievers are a large breed of dog and that most of the Rescues will come with minimal training and will need a large amount of patience? YES  NO

Are you agreeable to crate training? YES  NO  If NO, why not? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Some of the rescued Golden Retrievers have been backyard dogs or strays and are therefore not housetrained. Have you ever housetrained a dog before? YES  NO

Are you comfortable with having to housetrain a Golden? YES  NO

Even some housetrained Golden Retrievers will have accidents in the house for a while after they come into an unfamiliar home. What steps will you take to help your Golden avoid such accidents? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If your Golden is not already housetrained, what housetraining methods do you plan to use with your Golden?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Some Golden Retrievers have been left in backyards by neglectful or untrained owners and have developed anxiety to thunderstorms or loud noises in general. Have you ever dealt with a dog with "noise anxiety?" YES  NO

Are you willing to read some information on behavior modification and work with the rescued Golden to overcome such anxieties? YES  NO

Due to their "history," some Rescued Golden Retrievers have developed separation anxiety, which has left them fearful of being left alone. Have you ever dealt with such a dog? YES  NO

If NO, would you be willing to read some information on behavior modification and work with the dog to overcome this problem? YES  NO

Some rescued Golden Retrievers come from physically abusive homes and are extremely timid and have a condition called "submissive urination." Usually this condition lasts only a few days. Once the Golden knows he is in a home where he will not be beaten or abused and his self-esteem and confidence return, this problem usually takes care of itself. However, if it does not, are you willing to read some information on behavior modification to help the Golden overcome this condition? YES  NO

### **OTHER ITEMS**

Would you like to become involved in Golden Retriever Rescue? YES  NO

How did you hear about Golden Bond Rescue of Oregon, Inc.? \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Are you aware that the Adoption Fee for this dog(s) will be the least of your expenses during his/her lifetime? Expenses include good nutrition, annual vet exams and shots, and grooming. As with most pedigree breeds, Golden Retrievers may be prone to skin allergies, some degree of hip dysplasia and cancers that can be expensive to treat.**

YES  NO

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## GENERAL AGREEMENT

I am at least 21 years of age. All of the information I have given is true and complete. I understand that Golden Bond Rescue of Oregon, Inc., has the right to refuse my application.

I am applying to adopt and have enclosed the \$25.00 non-refundable application fee with this application.

I have reviewed Golden Bond Rescue's adoption requirements listed under Before You Start and feel that I meet their requirements.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
2<sup>nd</sup> Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Thank you for your interest in Golden Bond Rescue of Oregon, Inc. We appreciate the time it took to fill out this application. If your application is accepted, you will be notified by either E-mail or a phone call. After your acceptance notification, you will be called to schedule a home visit. If after the home visit your application is approved, the Adoption Team will carefully match your lifestyle and needs with an available Golden ASAP. If you get a Golden from another source, or change your mind about adopting from us for any reason, please notify us so we can remove you from our waiting list.

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## FOR RESCUE USE ONLY

Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Sent Acknowledgement Letter w/attachments: \_\_\_\_\_      Contacted Applicant by Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Ordered Home Visit \_\_\_\_\_

Rents - received written permission: YES  NO

Approved  Sent Acceptance Letter w/Attachments \_\_\_\_\_

Denied  Sent Denial Letter \_\_\_\_\_