



Pet Selection Counseling Questionnaire

Name:		Email:	
Address:		Phone:	

Part 1: Household Composition

Please list people that will live with or interact with the pet routinely. Include name, age, and relationship:

List current household pets including name, age, sex, species/breed:

List any previous pets you have had including name, species/breed, and reason the pet is no longer in the home:

Part 2: Household Logistics and Dynamics

Is anyone in the home allergic to animals? Yes No

Does anyone in the family have special needs? Yes No
If yes, please specify:

How often do adults visit the home?
 Daily Numerous times a week 1-4 times a month Infrequently

How often do children or teens visit?
 Daily Numerous times a week 1-4 times a month Infrequently

How would you describe your current lifestyle?
 Very hectic Moderately busy/controllable Calm/Quiet

Are there any major family changes in the near future? Yes No
If yes, please specify:



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You live (mark all that apply) in a house in an apartment or condominium in a high-rise on a farm
 in an urban setting in a rural setting in a suburban setting

What is your approximate yard size? Large (acre or more) Medium Small No yard

What type of fencing is around the yard?

Part 3: Management and Responsibilities

How will your pet be managed in the backyard?

Where will your pet spend most of his time?

What will your pet's indoor areas include?

Where will your pet sleep?

How long will your pet be left alone during the day (typical work day)?

Where will your pet be kept when you are not home?

How much time do you plan on interacting with your pet daily? (training, playing, exercise, grooming, etc.)?

How often do you travel?

What will you do with your pet when you travel?

Who will be responsible for feeding?

Who will be responsible for cleaning up after the pet?



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Who will be responsible for administering medications?

How often do you plan to walk your pet?

Who will be responsible for walking?

How often do you plan to train your pet?

Who will be responsible for training?

Do you plan to attend private or group training classes?

Do you plan on crate training your pet?

Part 4: Financial Considerations

How much are you willing to pay for your pet?

How much are you budgeting monthly for pet food?

Do you plan on spaying or neutering your pet?

How much are you budgeting annually on your pet's medical care?

Part 5: Pet Characteristics

Which of the following pet sources are you considering to obtain a pet? Reputable breeder Animal shelter/human society Rescue group Online resource Pet store Other

Are there other animals besides your current pets that you anticipate your pet will need to interact with?



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How often do you plan to groom your pet yourself?

Do you plan to have your pet professionally groomed?

How important is it to you that your pet “guards your home”? Very important Important Not important Do not want a guard dog

How important is it to you that your pet wants to sit in your lap, follows you around? Very important Important Not important I would rather have an independent pet

How much does hair on your clothing or furniture bother you? Cannot tolerate Can tolerate somewhat Does not bother me

Your primary purpose for obtaining a pet:

What size pet do you prefer?

What age would you like the pet to be when you acquire it?

Prioritize 3 activities you would like to do with your pet:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Breeds you are considering:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Are you interested in training your pet? Yes, I look forward to training No, I would like a pet that requires little training



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Potential pet behaviors and your tolerance for them:

Behavior	Could live with the behavior	Would do whatever it takes to address the behavior	Behavior would prompt me to part with the pet
Housetraining problems			
Shyness with people			
Aloofness with family			
Excitability			
Demands attention			
Jumps on people			
Digging/yard destruction			
Chewing/destructive			
Excessive vocalization			

What has prompted you to seek a pet at this time?

List any questions or concerns: