



Dedicated to rescuing animals that are in danger of abuse; educating the public on mini pigs as pets; and rehabilitating those who need it, while promoting a vegan lifestyle.

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ADOPTION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

SonnyBoy Animal Sanctuary, Inc.'s (Rescue) mission to rescue mini pigs, educate the public, and rehabilitate mini pigs so that they may find a forever home means that we must do what is in the best interest of the animal. In order to find the right home for the right animal, we have a set of policies and procedures in place for adopting an animal to their forever home.

PROCEDURES

The first step in our adoption process is to fill out an adoption application. This form gathers basic information on you and your household and includes questions specific to mini pig home requirements such as fencing, canine family members and housing status.

After you have submitted your adoption application, verification calls will be made to your veterinarian and city/county zoning office. A criminal background check will be completed including any reported domestic abuse issues. We understand that previous criminal activity does not indicate current involvement, a repeated history of these types of behaviors may require further explanation. If you have been a victim of domestic violence, this does not preclude you from adopting an animal. We may ask additional questions to ensure that we are not potentially placing an animal that may be put in a dangerous situation. Experience has shown us that often victims of domestic violence offer excellent homes to animals, especially those animals that have suffered neglect or abuse themselves.

Once the background and verification checks have been completed, our adoption coordinator will contact you to discuss the vision you have for one of our animals in your home. This process can take some time to ensure that a good match between the adopting household and animal are made. A weekend "trial" visit may be approved to ensure proper placement.

In some cases, a home visit may be required to ensure a successful placement. In the event we do ask to do a home visit, please do not take offense. We are simply committed to ensuring the best placements possible for the animals in our care.

Once the Board of Directors has approved your application for adoption and the final paperwork is completed, your new family member will be ready to go home.

POLICIES

1. All applicants must complete the adoption application and the background checks described above.
2. Due to the specific zoning requirements of mini pigs and the high incident of mini pig surrenders due to moving, all applicants for mini pig adoptions must own their own home. The deed to the property must show the applicant as the owner.

3. Due to the nature of mini pigs and the amount of reported attacks by canines on mini pigs, applicants that have dogs in their family must agree to never allow the mini pig and the canines to be left unattended at ANY time.
4. The potential adoptive family must evidence proper knowledge of mini pig behavior, personalities, and training.
5. Applicants must have a current veterinarian that treats mini pigs as well as an emergency veterinarian that can be verified.
6. Applicants other household animals must be up to date with veterinary care including spay and/or neuters as needed.
7. The rescue sees too many animals that need homes and therefore no breeders of ANY species of animal will be allowed to adopt from the Rescue.
8. Potential adopters must agree to return the animal to the Rescue if for any reason the animal does not work out.

ADOPTION APPLICATION

Date: _____ Animal I am interested in: _____

Applicant Information:

Name: _____ Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Email: _____ Referred by: _____

Your occupation: _____ Employer: _____ Phone: _____

Spouse's occupation: _____ Employer: _____ Phone: _____

Home Information:

List all persons in your home. Include yourself, spouse, children, and anyone else who lives at your residence (attach an additional sheet if necessary).

Name: _____ Age: _____ Name: _____ Age: _____

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Who in your household will be responsible for the new family member? _____

How long have you lived at this address? _____ Own or Rent? _____

Type of home (circle): Ranch Multi-level Duplex Other: _____

Do you live in (circle/fill in): City Village of _____ Town of _____ Size of lot/acreage: _____

Does your local zoning allow mini pigs (circle)? Yes No

Local Zoning Office Phone: _____

Name of who you spoke with: _____

Pet History:

List the animals by name that have been a part of your family during the last 10 years. Indicate the status of each using the following codes:

0 Still with me	3 Lost/Ran away	6 Euthanized
1 Dead	4 Sold	7 Other
2 Gave Away	5 Gave to Shelter	8 Unknown

Name of Pet: _____ Species: Dog Cat Exotic (type: _____) Code: _____

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Have you ever had the type of pet you are looking to adopt from us? _____

Are all your pets spayed and/or neutered? _____ If not, please explain: _____

If you have ever returned a pet to a shelter or surrendered a pet, please explain: _____

Do you raise any animals on your property or in your immediate family for purposes other than lifelong pets? If so, please explain: _____

Specific pet adoption preferences:

Do you have: age preference? _____ Gender preference? _____ Color preference? _____

What are you looking for in his/her personality? _____

What types of activities do you plan on doing with your mini pig at home? _____

What types of activities do you plan on doing with your mini pig away from home? _____

If you have dog(s) at home, will they be in contact with the pig? Yes No Breed(s): _____

If separated, how will you separate the dog(s) from the pig? _____

What type & height of fence does your yard have? _____

Will the pig have his or her own area of fenced yard? Yes No Amount of shade: _____

Describe the type of shelter for the pig outside: _____

How will you heat it in the winter? _____

How will you provide fresh water in the winter? _____

What type of insulation will you use in the winter? _____

Do you have a wading pool or mud hole in the summer? _____

Describe the pig's area inside the home (if indoors): _____

Describe the diet (including brand of food) that you plan on feeding the pig: _____

Are you willing to adopt a mini pig that has health or medical problems? Yes No

Are you willing to adopt an unsocialized pig? Yes No If so, how will you socialize the pig? _____

Are you willing to adopt a mini pig that has shown behavioral issues (aggression, biting, potty-training) _____

If so, how will you work on the behavioral issues? _____

When you are away from home, please describe how the pig will be cared for: _____

If you travel or vacation, who will care for your pig? Name: _____ Phone: _____

Veterinarian Information:

Primary Veterinarian's Name: _____ Clinic: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Emergency Veterinarian's Name: _____ Clinic: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

References:

Please provide name, address, phone and email of three personal references we can contact (one family member only):

#1 Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

#2 Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

#3 Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Additional comments: Please use the space below to tell us more about yourself. For example, do you have experience with health/behavior issues? How do you discipline and train your current pets? Is there anything else we should know about you and your household to help us make a perfect pet match for you?

Please read and acknowledge the following:

_____ I authorize SonnyBoy Animal Sanctuary, Inc. to contact my veterinarian(s) to check the care provided on previous and/or current pets including spay/neuter history.

_____ I authorize SonnyBoy Animal Sanctuary, Inc. to contact my employer to confirm employment.

_____ I authorize SonnyBoy Animal Sanctuary, Inc. to contact my local zoning officials to ensure no restrictions on the type of pet I wish to adopt.

I certify that the statements made on the application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that false statements by me may lead to the rejection of this application for adoption. My signature also authorizes SonnyBoy Animal Sanctuary, Inc. to do a background check, including criminal history and any former charges of domestic violence, animal abuse, neglect or hoarding.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name printed: _____

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ID check: _____ Criminal background check: _____ Domestic history: _____

Vet check: _____ Zoning check: _____ Approved _____ Denied _____

Pet name: _____ Sex: _____ Date of transfer: _____