

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR EACH OF YOUR THREE REFERENCES

Hello, I have applied to adopt a little dog from Lone Star Shih Tzu and Lhasa Apso Rescue of Texas. Part of their approval process is to get to know us as potential adopters by engaging in a dialog with friend and family. I'm hoping you can explain to the rescue group how a new dog might be treated within our family. If you don't mind, please complete the following questions in as much detail as possible. I know that this will turn out to be a very lengthy document but the rescue believes it very necessary to understand the people to whom they are adopting. They want all adopters to be part of their doggie family. I apologize for taking up so much of your time, but they believe this to be critical to find just the right dog for each and every applicant. They will not adopt out a dog without this information.

So if you could just complete this information and either fax it to 281-754-4851, or mail it to LSSTLAR, P. O. Box 7728, Houston, TX 77270-7728 we would certainly appreciate it.

Better yet, if you have access to the internet you may go to: <http://www.shihtzu-rescue.com/references.html> and follow the instructions to fill out the form online. That will speed things up for both of us! Thank you for helping me out!

Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Your email address: \_\_\_\_\_

1. How long have you known the applicant?
2. How do you know them? Are they coworkers? Personal friends? Family?
3. Do you regularly visit the applicant's home?
4. What dogs does the applicant have now? Please list name, breed, sex (neutered or

spayed) and age.

5. Please explain in detail some interaction you have seen between your friends and their dog(s) or other dogs.

6. What dogs have they had in the past? Please give us breed, age, etc., to the best of your knowledge.

7. What happened to these dogs? Death? Ran away? Stolen? Re-homed with a friend or family member? Surrendered to a shelter?

8. Have they ever had any pets hit by a car or with a serious disease or injury? What were the circumstances and how did they handle the veterinary care?

9. Do any of the immediate neighbors dislike pets?

10. What type of people visit their home? Kids? Grandkids? Step-children? How do these children interact with the pets?

11. If the applicant has children, how do they treat their current pets?

12. What is their (adults) experience with aging pets?

13. Would you leave your pets in their care?

14. Are there any other comments you would like to add?