

# ADOPTION GUIDELINES - W&W Bulldog Rescue

If you have thoroughly researched the breed and carefully considered the lifelong commitment involved in owning a dog — including the emotional, financial, and practical responsibilities — then the next steps are relatively simple.

## 1. Applying to Foster with a View to Adopt

When a post is published on the **Wiggles & Wrinkles Bulldog Rescue Facebook page** featuring a dog in need, and you believe you may be the right home for that particular dog, please apply via our website:

https://www.wigglesandwrinkles.uk

All adopters must foster before they adopt.

If you've already applied and have passed a home check, please contact our **Team** directly to express your interest.

**Note:** If you are already fostering the dog you wish to adopt, you can move straight to signing the **Adoption Contract** and making payment.

#### 2. Home Visit and Suitability Check

A **Member of the team** will contact you to arrange a home visit (if one hasn't already been completed). This allows us to ensure a safe and suitable match for the dog in question. The Management Team will then review your application and inform you whether you are a suitable match. If not, they may suggest other dogs that better fit your home environment and experience.

#### 3. Further Discussion

If your application appears suitable, you may receive a call to further discuss the specific dog's needs, temperament, and medical requirements. This helps ensure the dog is the right fit before final decisions are made.

#### 4. Foster Period and Travel Arrangements

If approved, and once the Foster Contract has been signed, the dog will move to your home for a **2–3 week settling-in (foster) period**. This trial helps both you and the dog determine whether it's a suitable long-term match.

Prospective adopters are typically expected to **travel to collect the dog**, though long-distance handovers may be facilitated in exceptional cases via a supported "road train" system.



## 5. Adoption Completion

After the 2–3 week trial, the **Adoption Fee** is payable (via **bank transfer** preferred, or alternatively **cash or cleared cheque**), and the **Adoption Contract** will be signed. Each party retains a copy.

## 6. Post-Adoption Reviews

Regular post-adoption check-ins will be conducted — via visits, phone calls, or video chats. These ensure the dog's ongoing welfare and offer continued support to adopters.

# How It Works - Trial Period and Support

All dogs are adopted following a home-trial and "cooling-off" period of 2–3 weeks. During this time:

- You live with the dog and begin to integrate them into your daily life.
- If issues arise, or more support is needed, contact your **A member of the team** immediately.
- Emergency contacts are provided to every foster/adopter keep this list accessible at all times.

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# **Adoption Contract Key Points**

The Adoption Contract includes these non-negotiable terms:

- The dog **must not** be rehomed, sold, or given away by the adopter under any circumstances.
- Wiggles & Wrinkles Bulldog Rescue reserves the right to visit or check on the dog at any time (via physical visits, phone, or video).
- The adopter must immediately notify Wiggles & Wrinkles Bulldog Rescue of:
  - Any change of address or contact information
  - Any serious change in circumstances affecting the dog
  - The death of the dog
- Wiggles & Wrinkles Bulldog Rescue reserves the right to reclaim the dog if:
  - The dog is not being adequately cared for.
  - The home environment is deemed unsuitable or unsafe.

#### **Final Reminders**

Please read the **Adoption Contract** carefully before signing. It exists to protect the dog's welfare, and ensure everyone involved fully understands and agrees to their responsibilities.



Wiggles & Wrinkles Bulldog Rescue operates under current UK law, including:

- Animal Welfare Act 2006
- Data Protection Act 2018
- UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR)

Thank you for choosing to adopt and offer a forever home. We are here to support you — and your dog — every step of the way.