

Stahlrosenhof International

Application Information for Search and Rescue Puppy

Stahlrosenhof Kennels offers puppies for search and rescue donation each year, typically one per litter. This is one of our ways of supporting the SAR community by providing quality working puppies to dedicated handlers. Please read this application carefully. If there is something you need clarified or explained, please contact us before submitting this application. Incomplete applications, or those not meeting minimum requirements will not be considered. We accept applications all year long, up to the point where all pups have been awarded. Accepted applicants will be contacted with litter information and puppy availability. Please note that there may be an extended wait time for a puppy, however applications are considered as they are submitted, therefore early submission is strongly suggested. Puppies are also always offered for sale through early reservation as well.

All applicants must meet the minimum listed requirements or they will not be considered for a donated puppy. All applicants requesting a discount on purchasing a puppy for SAR must also meet the minimum listed requirements. Proof of meeting minimum requirements (copies of courses, member number, etc.) must be submitted along with this application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Minimum Requirements:

1. Applicant must be an active member in good standing of a chartered non-profit team or organization, or a member of a government sponsored team or organization.
2. Applicants must meet at least one of the following:
 - a. Applicant must be at least a SAR TECH II
 - b. Applicant must have proof of meeting all minimum NIC SAR Job requirements for a K9 handler qualified in any sub-discipline.
 - c. Applicant is a certified Canine Search Specialist assigned to a FEMA task force.
 - d. Applicant is a qualified Canine Search Specialist equivalent assigned to a state task force. In such cases, documentation of a completed FEMA sponsored CSS equivalent course must be included.

Note: Applications will be accepted from members in training, as long as they are certified and training is complete prior to taking possession of the puppy.

3. Applicant must submit a statement of purpose indicating what the puppy will be used for and what segment of SAR the puppy will be trained in.
4. Applicant must provide the name and contact information for the trainer (individual or group) the applicant will be working with, including non-profit status and tax ID.
5. Applicant must be at least 18 years old.
6. Applicant must be able to assume full responsibility for the puppy, on their own property, in all aspects of care, training and medical expenses.
7. Applicant must sign and adhere to the SAR Puppy Contract if a puppy is awarded.

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Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone #: _____
Email: _____
Team Member #: _____ Qualified Level: _____

Name of Trainer or SAR group / Affiliation:

Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone #: _____ Tax ID: _____
Email: _____ Non-profit status: _____
Web site: _____

Please circle the Association(s) you are a member of (can be individual or team):

NASAR NSDA NAPWDA AWDF (list breed) _____
FEMA (list TF) _____ State USAR (list TF) _____

All questions must be answered as completely as possible. Please elaborate on “yes” or “no” answers with an explanation. Lack of experience in an area does not disqualify an applicant.

1. How long have you been involved with search and rescue?

2. Have you previously worked a canine in any type of search and rescue discipline?

3. Have you previously worked a canine in any other discipline?

4. What are your motivations for wanting to work a canine in SAR?

5. Can you devote the time needed to train and upkeep a SAR dog?

6. If for some unforeseen reason you are unable to continue working or

training your SAR dog, are you willing to release your canine to a handler that can work the dog? (note that release of ownership may not be necessary, but making the dog available to another handler so the dog can continue to work should be considered)

7. In the event that your SAR dog becomes injured and is no longer able to work, are you willing to provide a home for the dog, for the life of the dog?

8. Are you applying for a Hernandez Scholarship to obtain your puppy? If yes, please state the application closing date. (applicable to NSDA members only)

Please attach on a separate sheet, a "Statement of Purpose" indicating what the puppy will be used for and what segment of SAR the puppy will be trained in.

By signing below I attest that I am at least 18 years old, and that my above information, attached information, and answers to questions are true and correct to the best of my ability. I understand that this application is a statement of my intent and request for consideration, and that acceptance for receipt of a SAR donation puppy is in no way guaranteed.

Signature: _____ Date: _____