



# German Shepherd Dog Rescue of Northern Illinois, Inc. Owner Surrender: Dog Character Profile

## ADMINISTRATIVE USE ONLY:

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner notified:  Y  N Date: \_\_\_\_\_ How: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved  Denied Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog Evaluation complete:  Y  N Date: \_\_\_\_\_  Pass  Fail

Dog must be out by certain date?  Y  N Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this entire form and answer the questions honestly - feel free to use the "Notes" section at the back of this profile to provide us with more information if needed. Please be as specific and informational as possible. DO NOT LIE about your dog's behavior problems! WE WILL FIND OUT! While this form is long, the more information you provide us, the better we will be able to find a suitable home for your German Shepherd Dog. If this form is incomplete, it will be returned. A placement fee is required to place your dog in our program. The placement fee is determined by each individual dog according to their health, well-being and any medical condition they might have. After we receive this profile, we will examine it and a GSDRNI representative will contact you in a timely manner to discuss your placement fee and the next step in placing your German Shepherd Dog in a new home.

~PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY~

### Your Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Best times to contact:  Morning  Afternoon  Evening Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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

### General Information about Your German Shepherd Dog:

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  weeks  months  years

Sex:  Male  Female Date of birth (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Color:  Black/Tan  Black/Red  Black/Silver  Sable  Bi-Color  Solid Black  White

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ LBS Spayed/Neutered:  YES  NO Date of Spay/Neuter: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of dog when acquired: \_\_\_\_\_  weeks  months  years How long owned: \_\_\_\_\_  months  years

By what date must the dog be gone from your home? \_\_\_\_\_

Are AKC papers available?  YES  NO If AKC papers are available please provide the following:

Dog's Registered Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

How was the dog acquired?  Breeder (go to #1)  Pet Shop (go to #2)  Animal Shelter (go to #3)

Rescue Organization (go to #4)  Gift  Friend  Abandon/Stray  Other (go to #5)

1. If the dog was purchased from a BREEDER, please provide the following:

Breeder's Name/Kennel Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you notified the breeder of the need to find the dog a new home?  YES  NO

If yes, what was their response? \_\_\_\_\_

2. If the dog was purchased from a PET SHOP, please provide the following:

Pet Shop's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

3. If the dog was adopted from an ANIMAL SHELTER, please provide the following:

Shelter's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Adoption Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you notified the shelter of need to find the dog a new home?  YES  NO

If yes, what was their response? \_\_\_\_\_

4. If the dog was adopted from a RESCUE ORGANIZATION, please provide the following:

Rescue's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Adoption Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you notified the rescue of need to find the dog a new home?  YES  NO

If yes, what was their response? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Please explain how you obtained the dog: \_\_\_\_\_

**Veterinary Information:**

Please provide the dog's primary veterinarian's information:

Vet's Name	Clinic's Name	Address (City & State)	Phone Number

**\*ALL DOGS MUST BE CURRENT ON ALL VACCINATIONS (Rabies, Distemper/Parvo & Bordatella) BEFORE BEING ACCEPTED INTO GSDRNI\***

Are the dog's vaccinations current?  YES  NO Date of last vet visit: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the date the dog's vaccines were last done:

Rabies: \_\_\_\_\_ Distemper/Parvo: \_\_\_\_\_ Bordatella: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the dog on heartworm preventative?  YES  NO

Brand: \_\_\_\_\_ Last date given: \_\_\_\_\_ Next due date: \_\_\_\_\_

If the dog is **NOT spayed/neutered**: Would you consider paying to have this done?  YES  NO  N/A

If the dog is an **UNSPAYED** female: Last heat cycle: \_\_\_\_\_ Has she ever had puppies?  YES  NO

Does the dog have any physical problems that we should be aware of?  YES  NO Allergies?  YES  NO

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the dog on any medications?  YES  NO If yes, please list all: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the dog have any past or current health problems? Please list: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Re-Homing Information:**

Why have you chosen to re-home the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you experienced any of the following behavior problems that have contributed to your decision to re-home your dog?

- Aggression  Biting  Chasing Cars  Chewing  Destructive Behavior  Digging  Excessive Barking  
 Fear of noise  Fear of people  Fence Jumping/Climbing  Fighting with other dogs  Getting into the trash  
 Growling  Jumping-Up  Over-protectiveness  Play Nipping  Reacting to uniforms  Running Away  
 Roaming outside of the yard  Shyness  Stealing food/toys  Soiling in the house  Tearing Carpet  
 Tearing Furniture  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

If you checked any of the above, please explain in detail – this will help us train the dog before adoption and will help us to place the dog in an appropriate home. \_\_\_\_\_

What type of home/family do you picture the dog living in when he/she is adopted? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any situations that you feel would NOT be ideal for the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you place the dog in a home with children or young visitors?  YES  NO

Would you place the dog in a home with other dogs?  YES  NO

Would you place the dog in a home with cats?  YES  NO

Does the dog need a fenced yard?  YES  NO

Do you think the dog is easy going and would be fine in almost any reasonable home?  YES  NO

### **Training Information:**

Has the dog had any obedience training?  YES  NO Training Facility: \_\_\_\_\_

What type of training did the dog receive? \_\_\_\_\_

Did the dog graduate?  YES  NO If no, why? \_\_\_\_\_

Basic commands dog knows:  Sit  Down  Stay  Come  Heel  Leave-It  Off  Drop-It

How does the dog respond to commands?  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  When he/she wants

What is the best way to get the dog to listen/obey?

Praise  Treats  Physical Correction  Firm Voice  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Any skills, tricks, or other commands the dog knows: \_\_\_\_\_

**Temperament Information:**

How would you describe the dog? Please check ALL that apply.

Active  Affectionate  Aggressive  Attentive  Confident  Demanding  Destructive  Easy-Going  
 Fearful  Friendly  Gentle  Happy  Hardheaded  Hyperactive  Independent  Intelligent  
 Insecure  Loving  Mannerly  Noisy  Obedient  One-Person-Pet  Passive  Playful  Protective  
 Quiet  Reserved  Sensitive  Sociable  Stubborn  Uncontrollable  Submissive  Timid

How is the dog at the following?

Walking on lead:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Riding in the car:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure  Good if confined

Being alone in the yard:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Being alone in the house:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure  Good if confined

Being alone in the car:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure  Good if confined

Does the dog have any of the following habits? Check ALL that apply.

Aggression  Biting  Chasing Cars  Destructive Chewing  Digging  Excessive Barking  Fear of noise  
 Fence Jumping/Climbing  Fighting with other dogs  Getting into the trash  Growling  Jumping-Up  
 Shyness  Play Nipping  Over-protectiveness  Reacting to uniforms  Roaming outside of the yard  
 Running Away  Stealing food/toys  Soiling in the house  Tearing Carpet  Tearing Furniture  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Has the dog ever shown any signs of aggression? Please explain in DETAIL. \_\_\_\_\_

Has the dog ever bitten anyone? PLEASE BE HONEST!  YES  NO

If yes, did the wound require medical attention?  YES  NO

What happened to cause this event? \_\_\_\_\_

How does the dog act around the following?

Men:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Women:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Strangers:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Horses:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Uniforms:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Children:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Has the dog been raised with or been around children?  YES  NO Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Has the dog had regular interaction with children outside of your immediate family?  YES  NO

If yes, what ages? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the dog seek attention from and enjoy being with children?  YES  NO

Would you suggest placing the dog in a home with a young child (under age 10)?  YES  NO

Has the dog ever acted aggressively toward any child?  YES  NO

Has the dog ever shown fear of children?  YES  NO

If yes to either question, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

Other dogs:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Does the dog like... Some other dogs  All other dogs  No other dogs

Prefers larger dogs  Prefers smaller dogs

Has the dog been raised with or been around other dogs?  YES  NO

If yes, what breed(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Has the dog had regular interaction with dogs outside of your other pets?  YES  NO

Has the dog ever been in a fight or been attacked by another dog?  YES  NO

If the dog has been in a fight with another dog, please explain in detail, including any injuries that either dog received during the fight. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cats:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor  Not Sure

Has the dog had regular interaction with cats or small animals?  YES  NO

Does the dog like to chase cats, squirrels or other animals?  YES  NO

Has the dog ever injured a cat?  YES  NO

Do you think he/she would injure a cat if given the chance?  YES  NO

Does the dog show possession of food:  No Aggression  Some Aggression Level:  High  Medium  Low

Does the dog show possession of toys:  No Aggression  Some Aggression Level:  High  Medium  Low

If any aggression shown, please explain in detail the dog's reaction: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Has the dog ever:

Growled when you've taken food or toys away?  YES  NO Snapped at people?  YES  NO

If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### **Feeding Information:**

What brand and type of food do you feed the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of meals per day: \_\_\_\_\_ Times of feeding:  \_\_\_\_\_ AM & PM  \_\_\_\_\_ A.M. Only  
 \_\_\_\_\_ P.M. Only  Free Feed

Where is the dog fed? \_\_\_\_\_ Amount per feeding (in cups): \_\_\_\_\_

Is anything added (i.e. canned food - amount; vitamins; etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

### **Living Arrangements:**

Housetrained:  YES  NO Command(s) used: \_\_\_\_\_

Crate Trained:  YES  NO Command(s) used: \_\_\_\_\_

Who had major responsibility for the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

How does the dog spend its days when *someone is home*? Please check all that apply.

Indoors  Outdoors  Crated  Basement  Garage  Fenced Yard  Loose in unfenced yard  Tied Out

Kennel Run  Gated in a room  Bedroom  Roam of House  Laundry Room

With:  Dog(s)  Cat(s)  People  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

How does the dog spend its day when no one is home? Please check all that apply.

- Indoors  Outdoors  Crated  Basement  Garage  Fenced Yard  Loose in unfenced yard  Tied Out  
 Kennel Run  Gated in a room  Bedroom  Roam of House  Laundry Room  Alone all day without others  
 Alone All Day With:  Dog(s)  Cat(s)  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

How does the dog spend its nights? Please check all that apply.

- Indoors  Outdoors  Crated  Sleeps on bed with owners  Sleeps in own bed  Basement  Garage  
 Fenced Yard  Tied Out  Loose in unfenced yard  Kennel Run  Gated in a room  Bedroom  
 Roam of House  Laundry Room  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a fenced yard?  YES  NO

If yes, can the dog be trusted to stay by itself in the yard?  YES  NO

If you do not have a fenced yard, how does the dog get exercise and relieve itself?

- Tie-Out  Leash Walks  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Likes & Dislikes, etc.:**

What does the dog like best? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What does the dog dislike the most (i.e. touch sensitivities)? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does the dog have any fears (vacuum, fireworks, thunder, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What is the most appealing thing about the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What is the dog's biggest fault? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What is the dog's favorite game or toy? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Are there any behavior problems that we should be aware of? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Extra comments you would like to share with us about the dog: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this Owner Surrender: Dog Character Profile.

**PLEASE CAREFULLY READ AND SIGN THE FOLLOWING SURRENDER AGREEMENT...**

## Surrender Agreement

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby sign over all ownership, rights and responsibilities of the above German Shepherd Dog known as, \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred to as "the dog"), to German Shepherd Dog Rescue of Northern Illinois, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "GSDRNI") and give GSDRNI complete control of the adoption, placement and disposition of the dog as of the date signed.

I certify that I am the legal owner of the dog and that the information provided here is true and accurate. By submitting and signing this Owner Surrender Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "agreement"), I certify that I am serious about putting the dog up for adoption through GSDRNI and relinquish all ownership, rights and responsibilities to GSDRNI if they decide to accept the dog into their program. By signing this agreement, I authorize my Veterinarian listed in this profile to provide GSDRNI with any and all known medical and behavioral history. I also state that to my knowledge, the dog has not bitten or seriously injured any person or other animal, unless specified in the profile. I understand that GSDRNI, upon approval of this Profile and evaluation of the dog, will find a suitable home for the dog in a reasonable amount of time. I understand that GSDRNI must evaluate the dog before allowing the dog in their program. I will allow GSDRNI in my home to evaluate the dog at an agreed upon time or to meet at an agreed upon place, when requested by GSDRNI. I understand that GSDRNI has the right to deny my request to put the above mentioned German Shepherd Dog up for adoption through GSDRNI for any reason whatsoever. I also agree to turn over all papers, records and anything pertaining to the dog to GSDRNI upon request. Until the dog is placed in a new suitable home or a foster home approved by GSDRNI, I understand that I am, as of this date, considered a foster home for the dog and do not have the ability to make any medical or other decisions regarding the dog, until the dog is placed in a new suitable home or a foster home approved by GSDRNI, or unless otherwise discussed with or decided by GSDRNI. Any and all decisions regarding the dog will be made by GSDRNI in its sole discretion. I will continue to care for the dog as I did previously, and I will not treat the dog any differently than I did before I released all ownership, rights and responsibilities of the dog to GSDRNI. I agree to absorb any fees (veterinary, food, etc.) which GSDRNI has asked me to do for the dog before and after the dog is placed in GSDRNI's program. I agree to take or, if I am unable to do so, allow a GSDRNI representative or volunteer to take the dog to informational shows to be showcased. I understand that GSDRNI will contact me when the dog is ready to go to its new home, and I will willfully release the dog and any of its belongings to GSDRNI.

If I do decide to keep the dog and do not want to put it into GSDRNI's program, I am to notify GSDRNI at (815) 405-3906, within ten (10) days after the date of this signed Agreement. If I do not notify them within ten (10) days, then a possible fee for pulling the dog out of the program will be due. This fee will be decided on a case by case basis and will be determined by the GSDRNI Board of Directors. I will be expected to pay this fee if I wish to pull the dog from the program and do not notify GSDRNI during the allowed time period.

I hereby forever release, discharge and agree to hold harmless and indemnify German Shepherd Dog Rescue of Northern Illinois, Inc. and its volunteers from all claims in connection with the adoption or any other disposition of the dog. I agree to surrender all rights of ownership of the above dog. I understand that by signing this document, GSDRNI, Inc. will become the legal owner of the dog. Read, understood and agreed on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Owner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of GSDRNI Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### ATTENTION:

Due to the size of our application, sending it via USPS will require extra postage totaling approximately **\$1.00**.

Please be aware that extra postage is required.

Upon completion of this profile please return it to the address below.

Our Dog Evaluation Committee will contact you in a timely manner to discuss the placement fee and to set up a time to evaluate your German Shepherd Dog.

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