

Sample Interview Checklist for New Foster Screening

Prior to Call	
Google Results (they might be inconclusive, but let us know you did it)	
Review application and note anything that is missing or requires clarification	
Questions:	
Who lives in the house? How many adults?	
Are there children in the house? If so, what are their ages?	
Do you own or rent?	
a. If they rent, do they have landlord’s permission to have a dog?	
b. If they have a fenced yard or doggy door explain fosters not allowed to be left outside unattended	
Are there other dogs in the house?	
a. If so, are they spayed/neutered? If not, why?	
b, Up to date on vaccinations? Bordetella? If not, why?	
c. If they do not have Bordetella, explain importance & that they must sign a release	
d. What is (are) the sex, size, breed, and age of resident dog(s)?	
Are there other animals in the house? (Cats, birds, snakes, etc.)	
What is your level of experience with dogs? Owned in the past/as an adult?	
Do you have any experience working with canine behavior?	
How many hours a day would the dog be alone?	
Would you plan to crate the dog? Do they own a crate?	
a. If no plans to crate dog, explain that we recommend it and can loan crate	
Are you able to transport the dog back and forth from TLAC as needed?	
What size/breed/age interested in fostering?	
Use this field for additional info obtained	
DESCRIBE PROCESS:	
They will receive a welcome letter + other docs—ADVISE THEM TO READ ALL THESE	
RULES: no off-leash, no off-leash areas	
SEPARATE FOSTER (if there are other dogs) and why we recommend.	
Google group—how it works, what they do when they decide they want dog	
EXPLAIN RESPONSIBILITIES OF A FOSTER	
Take PICTURES! BIO SURVEY! (emphasize importance of bios and pictures in getting dogs adopted)	
They need to provide food and bed—NOT VET BILLS	
Need to advocate for adoption and be able to bring to events and arrange meetings with potential adopters	
Maintain communication with foster team—READ ALL E-MAILS	
Fostering is usually until dog is adopted; we ask a minimum of 2 weeks	
Please add any observations you have about the skill/life/plans/sanity of this person	