



**GOLDEN RETRIEVER
RESCUE OF MID-FLORIDA™**

Application to Adopt

I would like to adopt a Golden Retriever or Retriever Blend

How long are you willing to wait for a rescue dog from GRRMF? (Circle one) 6 mo – 1 year or over 1 year

Have you adopted from GRRMF before? Yes _____ No _____

Contact Information

First Name		Last Name		Age	
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Occupation		Work Schedule	
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Co-Applicant First Name		Co-App Last Name		Age	
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Occupation		Work Schedule	
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Relationship to Applicant	
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Street Address	
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City, State, Zip code	
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Home Phone		Cell Phone	
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Email Address	
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Is anyone home during the day?		Who?	
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List other people who will be living with the dog (list ages of children):

If children typically visit your home, please list age(s):

On a typical day, how many hours are you away from home (including commuting time)?

If you are gone from home too long for dog's potty needs, how will your dog's needs be met?

Is the pet for a(n) (check all that apply): Adult _____ Child _____ Elderly person _____ Physically Challenged _____

Will this be your first dog? Yes _____ No _____ Have you ever owned a Golden Retriever before? Yes _____ No _____

Home Environment

Do you live in a: Single Family Home _____ Townhouse _____ Apartment _____ Duplex _____ Condo _____

Do you own or rent your home? Own _____ Rent _____ If you rent, you must submit a letter from your landlord giving you authorization to have a large (60 – 85 pound) dog live in your home. We will not process your application until we receive this letter. We will close your application if not received within two weeks of receiving your application.

Do you have a roommate(s)? Yes _____ No _____ Does your home have stairs? Yes _____ No _____

Do you have a fenced in yard? Yes _____ No _____ If so, is it fenced on all side (fully enclosed)? Yes _____ No _____

If you have a fence, how high is your fence at its highest point? _____

If you have a fence, how high is your fence at its lowest point? _____

If you have a fence, please check all statements that apply to your fence:

- My fence has gaps or holes in it _____
- My yard is partially fenced by not fully enclosed _____
- My fence goes across my driveway _____
- My yard is on a unfenced lakefront, canal or body of water _____

If you have a fence, what type is it? Chain link _____ Wood Stockade _____ Wire & Post _____
Electric-Invisible _____ Wrought iron _____ Other type of fence _____

If you selected Other type of fence, please describe:

Is the fence capable of restraining a 60 – 85 pound large dog? Yes _____ No _____

If you don't have a fence, are you willing to install one? Yes _____ No _____ **Please note:** If you do not have a fenced yard, our policy is that, if approved you may only adopt a dog 5 years or older.

Do you have a kennel or dog house in your backyard? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, when will your dog use it?

Will you use a chain, tie out or cable runner to restrain your dog outside? Yes _____ No _____

If you answered yes above, please describe:

Do you live on a lake, canal, or retention pond? Yes _____ No _____

If you answered Yes above, please describe:

Do you have a pool? Yes _____ No _____ If so, does it have a screened enclosure or safety fence? Yes _____ No _____

If you have a pool, is your dog allowed in it? Yes _____ No _____

Do you have a doggie door? Yes _____ No _____

Describe the location of your doggie door:

When will your dog have access to the doggie door:

Living Conditions

How will your dog access the backyard from your home:

Regarding your dog's everyday living situation, would your dog: (Please check all that apply)

Have full run of the home _____ Be blocked from certain parts of the home _____ Stay in backyard _____

Live in a crate _____ Be kept on the porch _____ Be kept in the garage _____ Live in kennel run/doghouse _____

Please explain:

Will your dog be allowed on (Please check all that apply): Furniture _____ Bed _____

Additional comments about allowing dog on furniture or bed:

Where will the pet be kept during the day?

Where will the pet be kept at night?

Where will the dog be kept when you are away from home on a typical day?

Where will the dog be kept when you travel or are away from home for extended periods of time?

Physical Exercise

How will you exercise your dog and how often?

Will the dog be walked? Yes _____ No _____ How often? _____ Off leash? _____ or On Leash? _____

Will the dog be allowed to run free off leash? Yes _____ No _____

If the dog will be allowed to run free off leash, please check under which situation(s) the dog would be allowed off leash: While playing in the front yard _____ In the back yard _____ In the neighborhood _____ During walks _____
While swimming _____ At the beach _____ At the golf course _____ In local fields _____ at the dog park _____

If the dog will be allowed to run free off leash any other time, please describe:

Who will be responsible for exercising the dog?

Care of the Dog

Will this be your first dog? Yes _____ No _____ If not, what breed(s) have you previously owned?

Have you ever had a Golden Retriever before? Yes _____ No _____

Who will be primarily responsible for the care of the dog?

List any other pets you currently have including type, breed if dog, age(s), and whether they are spayed or neutered:

If you currently own or have owned a Golden Retriever, please indicate whether male or female and how much they weigh(ed):

If you have a dog, what type of collar do they wear? Nylon Buckle Style _____ Prong Collar _____ Leather Buckle _____ Chain collar _____ My dog doesn't wear a collar _____ Other (Please describe):

Does your dog wear tags on their collar? Yes _____ No _____ If so what type?

What brand of dog do you/did you feed your dog?

How many times per day do you feed (or plan to feed) your dog?

What is your monthly budget for dog food?

Golden Retrievers are known to shed. Does dog hair bother you? Yes _____ No _____

Regarding grooming, will you: Groom the dog yourself _____ Take the dog to a professional groomer _____

Do you plan on shaving the dog or (if applicable) have you shaved your previous Golden Retriever? Yes _____ No _____

Is/was your dog on heartworm preventative? Yes _____ No _____ NA _____ If yes, how many months of the year?

Do you use flea or tick preventative? If so, what brands:

Have you investigated the cost of owning a dog & are you financially able to provide for the dog's needs?

Yes _____ No _____

Do you plan on taking an obedience course with your new Golden Retriever? Yes _____ No _____

If No, why not?

Have you ever bred a dog? Yes _____ No _____ Do you plan to breed dogs? Yes _____ No _____

How many hours (one way) are you willing to drive to view a dog?

Have you ever sold, given away or put a dog in a shelter? Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, please tell us why:

If your previous pet(s) have died due to illness or accident, please explain:

Final Details

Please give the name, address and phone number of your current veterinarian along with the pet's name(s) (GRRMF reserves the right to contact any parties listed on this application):

We require a reference. References may not be co-applicants, spouses or partners and at least one must not be a family member

Reference: Name _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Please choose the age range(s) of the dog you would consider (check all that apply):

Puppy – 1 yr _____ 1 – 3 years _____ 3 – 5 years _____ 5– 9 years _____ 9-11 years _____ 11 years and up _____ Any age _____

Do you prefer: Male _____ Female _____ Doesn't matter _____

Would you consider adopting a Golden Retriever blend or other retriever? Yes _____ No _____

If you have any special requirements or preferences (so we can more carefully match a dog to your lifestyle) please describe:

Would you consider a special needs dog such as one that requires medication for a permanent, but controlled condition? Yes _____ No _____

If you have not had a dog in the past, why are you considering one now?

Are you planning any lifestyle changes such as moving, getting married, getting a divorce, having a baby, adding other animals to the household, or extensive travel in the near future? If so please describe:

Have you sent in an application for adoption to any other rescue group besides GRRMF? Yes _____ No _____
If Yes, which ones and when did you apply?

Please include a detailed essay (400 words or so) about why you want to adopt a Golden Retriever from GRRMF. Give us as many details about your family and lifestyle as you can as well as a “typical day in the life” of your new dog. This is a very important part of your application—we need this information so that we can match a dog to your family and lifestyle. Applications without this information are not complete and cannot be processed.

During this current time of the COVID-19 pandemic, I understand GRRMF volunteers will be following current CDC guidelines including and may not be limited to hand sanitizer, wearing of protective mask and will practice physical distancing and I and my family must comply with the CDC guidelines when meeting a GRRMF volunteer face-to-face. GRRMF will exercise reasonable efforts to overcome the challenges presented by current circumstances, but GRRMF will not be liable for any injuries, expenses, losses, or damages of any kind arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic. I and my family agree, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to indemnify and hold harmless GRRMF, its officers, directors and employees (collectively, GRRMF) against all damages, liabilities or costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and defense costs. I will advise GRRMF by email or phone call if any family member is or has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or is unwell prior to scheduling and/or completing the face-to-face contact. YES _____ NO _____

I acknowledge that I understand that submitting this application does not guarantee the adoption of a Golden Retriever from GRRMF, nor does it guarantee the adoption of any specific dog. GRRMF reserves the right to reject any applicant .

I acknowledge that all information contained in this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation of fact may result in the removal of an adopted dog from my home by GRRMF. Applicants must agree to a home visit by a GRRMF volunteer.
Yes _____ No _____

For Renters only —I understand that before being considered as a potential adopter, a letter from my landlord is required approving a large (60 to 85+lb) dog as an occupant at the rental property. This letter can be faxed to (888) 408-5520, emailed to info@grrmf.org or mailed to GRRMF, PO Box 1449, Goldenrod, FL 32733. I further understand that my application will be closed within 2 weeks if a Landlord Letter is not received. No reminders or confirmations will be sent. It is your responsibility to make sure we receive a letter authorizing a dog. Yes _____ No _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Co-Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Please fax this application to: **(888) 408-5520** or email to info@grrmf.org or
mail to: **GRRMF, PO Box 1449, Goldenrod, FL 32733**

Please review our website at www.GRRMF.org for additional information about adopting a dog from GRRMF.

Thank you for your interest in Golden Retriever Rescue of Mid-Florida.