

HOME VISIT GUIDELINES

Make sure you print out and have with you:

- Date and time of the visit
- Applicants name, phone and address
- Marie's phone number in case you need to call for consultation
- **505.639.1996** (please call, do not text)

What to Bring to the Home Visit?

- 2 copies of the Adoption Contract
- Vaccination Records
- Rabies certificate and microchip if applicable
- Dogs favorite toy or blanket
- Food for a week
- Appropriate leash and collar
- Info sheets on how to care for a dog
- Coupons and Discounts Info Sheet

One signed contract stays with the adopter the other one should be mailed to Marie together with the adoption fee:

Bridges to Home
P.O. Box 21354
Albuquerque, NM 87154

The adoption fee can be paid by:

1. Check to Bridges to Home
2. PayPal: bridgestohome@gmail.com
3. Cash

When you are doing a home visit, please pay attention to:

People/Family

- All residence of the home should be present for the Home Visit.
- Are children respectful of pets (your observation)
- Is the main caretaker physically able to care for dog?

Other Animals in the House

- Current pets
- Are pets well cared for?
- How did they react to my animal?
- Are there any other concerns or limitations?
- Would I personally feel comfortable leaving an animal here?

Neighborhood/House/Living Conditions

Please check for the:

- Hazardous items
- Poisonous plants
- Are living quarters dog friendly?
- Is the yard fenced in?
- Are there any areas of gates or fence where a toy dog can slip out of dig under to escape?
- Do they have a pool/pond/stream/lake in their yard?

Care and Treatment of Animals

- Where will the animal eat – is it a clean area?
- What kind of food will the animal eat?
- What foods are they currently using for other pets?
- Where will the animal relieve its self?
- Where will the animal sleep?
- How will the animal get exercise?
- Where will the animal stay when left home alone?
- Will they allow animal to have free run of the house?
- How will they housetrain?
- How will they work through behavioral issues?