

# APPLICATION TO FOSTER/ADOPT



Thank you for taking the time to fill out this application. We realize it is lengthy, but please fill out this form completely, as it will speed up the process. Please print clearly and legibly. Include area codes with all phone numbers, and please include your e-mail address. A representative from our Golden Evaluation Team will contact you as soon as possible after we receive your application.

This is a combined Foster Home, and Adoption Application. Please answer the questions in this application with your ultimate goal in mind, whether it is to foster or to adopt a rescued Golden. If a question does not apply to you, please write N/A in the response area.

**E-mailing your application is the preferred and quickest way to submit your application. After completion, e-mail to [goldenadoptions@golden-retriever.org](mailto:goldenadoptions@golden-retriever.org)**

**Faxing** is another way to send your application. You may fax to: **815.301.8200**

Or, you may **mail** your completed application to:

Foster/Adoption Application  
RAGofAZ  
P.O. Box 71987  
Phoenix, AZ 85050

## 1. CONTACT INFORMATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/Partner name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Major Cross Streets \_\_\_\_\_  
Home/Work/Cell phones \_\_\_\_\_  
**Best number for contact** \_\_\_\_\_  
email(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a member of RAGofAZ?  Yes  No

**2. HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION**

Are you employed?  Yes  No

How many hours a day are you away from home? \_\_\_\_\_ hours

Is your spouse employed?  Yes  No

How many hours per day is he/she away from home? \_\_\_\_\_hours

**FOR RENTERS ONLY:** Do you have permission of your landlord to keep a dog?  Yes  No

**If YES, you must provide a copy of written permission at time of home visit.**

Do you have children or grandchildren who live with you?  Yes  No

Ages of children: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children or grandchildren who visit frequently?  Yes  No

Ages of children: \_\_\_\_\_

If you currently have other pets, please describe breed, age and gender:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you rescued a dog before?  Yes  No

Why do you want to foster/adopt a rescue dog?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is your yard fenced?  Yes  No Height of Fence: \_\_\_\_\_feet

Do you have a pool?  Yes  No If so, is it covered or fenced?  Yes  No

Do you have a spa?  Yes  No If so, is it covered or fenced?  Yes  No

### 3. GOLDEN PREFERENCES (PLEASE BE AS FLEXIBLE AS POSSIBLE WITH YOUR PREFERENCES)

Have you owned a Golden before?  Yes  No

What gender dog do you prefer to foster or adopt?  Male  Female  Either

What is your age preference? **Please note, it is the policy of RAGofAZ not to place a dog under 3 years of age with a family that has children less than 3 years of age.**

- Puppy 0-1 yr
- Young 2-4 yr
- Junior 5-8 yr
- Senior 8+ yr

Would you consider a mix?  Yes  No  Maybe

Would you consider a pair?  Yes  No  Maybe

Would you consider a special needs dog, such as an epileptic, diabetic, dog with severe allergies or cancer?

- Yes  No  Maybe

Would you consider a dog with health problems easily treated with medication, such as valley fever, hypothyroid, mild allergies, mild arthritis?

- Yes  No  Maybe

Would you consider a senior dog (over 8 years old)?

- Yes  No  Maybe

Will the dog live inside the home with you?

- Yes  No  Maybe

Do you have a dog door? (This is not a prerequisite, but helpful if you are away from home more than 8 hours per day)

- Yes  No  To be installed

What type of activity level are you comfortable with in a dog?

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Primary reason for adopting a Golden (i.e. companionship, agility, obedience, service, other)

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Part of agreeing to become a foster or to adopt a Golden from RAGofAZ includes participating in a telephone interview and accepting an in-home visit. When would be a good time for us to come for a home visit?

#### 4. YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH PETS

I consider myself:

- an experienced Golden Retriever person (current or previous Golden Retriever owner)
- an experienced dog owner (please list current or previous breed experience)
- somewhat experienced with dogs
- novice dog owner

Are you familiar with the Golden Retriever breed?  Yes  No

What other pets have you had, how long did you have them, and were they with you their entire life?

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Will you be able to exercise the Golden?(Please be aware that younger dogs require more exercise)

- Yes  No  Maybe

Are you aware that a Golden Retriever is considered a large breed and has higher maintenance costs (food, vet, equipment, grooming bills) than a smaller breed of dog? Do you believe you can afford the cost of caring for a Golden?

- Yes  No  Maybe

#### 5. TRAINING YOUR GOLDEN

If adopting, will you agree to take the dog to obedience classes if recommended by Rescue A Golden?  Yes  No

Are you agreeable to crate training if such is recommended?  Yes  No

If NO, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be able to housetrain if necessary?  Yes  No

## 6. GENERAL AGREEMENT

I/we am/are at least 21 years of age. All of the information I/we have given is true and complete. I/we understand that Rescue A Golden of Arizona has the right to refuse my/our application.

I/we understand that while in foster care, RAGofAZ has sole ownership of the dog. Furthermore, if for any reason the adopter can no longer care for the dog, it must by law be returned to Rescue A Golden of Arizona. RAGofAZ retains the right to reclaim any foster or adopted Golden if the Board of Directors feels that doing so is in the dog's best interest.

I/we understand that I/we must pay the adoption fee by check or credit card at the time the rescued dog is delivered to my/our home. If, after a 21-day settling-in period, I/we choose not to adopt this dog, I/we understand that the adoption fee will either be refunded or will be applied towards the adoption of another RAGofAZ rescue.

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Applicant's Signature

Date

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Spouse's Signature

Date

**For people interested in FOSTERING:** Our foster homes are a very important link in the rescue chain. If your application is approved, you will be entered into our database for families interested in fostering rescued Golden Retrievers. The Foster coordinator will use the information you provide to assist us in placing a dog in your home. The Foster coordinator, or designee, will contact you when a dog needs a foster home. Foster families may indeed adopt their foster Golden and have right of first refusal prior to another family being identified and notified. Foster families must fill out the appropriate paperwork, including contracts, and pay the adoption fee. Thank you so much for offering to open your home to give a Golden a second chance.

***Once you are selected and called to foster a dog, you are required at that time to become a RAGofAZ member.***

**For people interested in ADOPTING:** Thank you for your interest in RAGofAZ. Once your application is approved, you will be notified by either E-mail or a phone call, then you will be placed on our waiting list.

The Placement Team will carefully match your lifestyle and needs with a Golden as they become available. If you get a Golden from another source, or change your mind about adopting from us for any reason, please notify us so we can remove you from our waiting list.

***Once you are called and accept a dog, you are required at that time to become a RAGofAZ member.***

***A copy of the Rescue A Golden of Arizona Membership Subscription Application is attached to retain for future use.***

**RESCUE A GOLDEN OF ARIZONA  
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION APPLICATION**



Please (Circle One) ADD or RENEW my Membership

- \$35 Basic Membership
- \$45 Family Membership (2 voting memberships)
- \$10 Student Membership (non-voting)

I would like to make an additional TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATION OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_

RAGofAZ is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization [www.golden-retriever.org](http://www.golden-retriever.org)

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

email(s) \_\_\_\_\_

phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to provide a gift membership for

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

email(s) \_\_\_\_\_

phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please print this form and send check or payment information to:

**RAGofAZ, P.O. Box 71987, Phoenix, AZ 85050  
602-404-WOOF (9663)**

**PAYMENT METHOD:**  CHECK  CREDIT CARD










Expiration month/year 

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Card Security Number 

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I would like information about helping Rescue A Golden of Arizona in the following areas (check interests):

- Adoption Team
- Foster Placement Team
- Follow-up Team
- Fundraising
- Home Visits
- Intake Team
- Membership Recruiting
- Meetings
- Publications
- Shelter Walking
- Transport Team
- Vet Care Team