

# Weim Friends Rescue

## *About Us*

Weim Friends Rescue is an all volunteer 501c (3) non-profit organization based in Cincinnati, Ohio. We rescue, rehabilitate and re-home abandoned Weimaraners. We dedicate many hours to helping the Weims that come into our program. Please be patient with us as we have full-time jobs and we conduct our rescue work after hours. We look forward to speaking with you about our rescued Weimaraners!

## *About the Weims*

We are often asked why Weimaraners need rescuing. Many of the Weims that come into foster care have been surrendered by their owner who is no longer able to care for the dog whether it is due to financial or personal circumstances. Some are relinquished to a shelter or picked up as strays and the owner does not reclaim the dog. Few come from abusive situations where the dog may need special care prior to adoption. All of the Weims have big hearts and are hoping to find a permanent home that will love them through their senior years. All of our Weims live with a foster home who become the experts on what family will be the best match for their foster Weim. They will have the final say on where the Weim is placed. We do not have a shelter facility.

## *Are you ready to Foster a Weim?*

If you have owned a Weimaraner in the past, then you know that they are eager to please, have lots of energy and make themselves a part of the family. If you have never owned a Weimaraner, then we encourage you to review the article **“Living with a Weimaraner.”** This article will help you better understand the breed and determine if a Weimaraner dog is the right breed for your family. We also suggest that you take the **“Weimaraner Quiz”** to see if you are ready for this active breed. To learn more about the breed please visit the **“Weimaraner Club of America.”**

## *Our Foster Home Process*

After we receive your completed Foster Home Application and your references have been checked you will be contacted for a phone interview by one of our Coordinators. Another volunteer will contact you to set up a mutually agreeable time to conduct your home visit. **NOTE: We ask that all family members be present for the home visit.** Weim Friends Rescue reserves the right to deny any application.

Once you have completed the Foster Home process and have been approved, a Coordinator will review the Foster Home Handbook with you & help you decide which foster Weim on our wait list would best fit with your family. It is best to have the foster Weim & any current family dogs meet at a neutral site to ensure all parties will get along. Our goal is to make things easier on the foster Weim and the foster home so that the Weim can adjust as quickly as possible in its new surroundings.

Weim Friends Rescue, Inc. will pay for all veterinary expenses for dogs in foster care (i.e. required vaccinations, fecal test, heartworm testing/preventative and flea preventative when in season). Any other medical expenses will be approved on an as needed basis. All dogs will be provided with a collar, rescue nametag, leash, first bag of dog food, and if needed, a crate. If other items are needed (i.e. thundershirt, etc.), we will deal with those requests on an as needed basis. We ask the foster homes to get approval for any other requests as we have limited funds.

Please send your completed Foster Home Application to: [weimfriendsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:weimfriendsrescue@gmail.com) Please feel free to contact us should you have questions about our foster home process. We look forward to receiving your completed application and speaking with you soon. Thank you for your interest in fostering a rescued Weimaraner!

# Weim Friends Rescue Foster Home Application

## YOUR INFORMATION

Date:

Full Name:

Spouse/Partner Full Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Age(s) of applicant(s):

Your Occupation and occupations of others in your house:

Does either job require frequent out of town travel?

Are you or your spouse/partner subject to relocation?

Are you a student?

Are you in the military?

How did you hear about us?

Please provide us with a Personal Reference that we may contact. We prefer that the reference not be a relative.

**Name:**

**Address:**

**City:**

**State:**

**Zip:**

**Phone Number:**

How do you know your personal reference?

## YOUR HOME

Do you live in a house, apartment, condo, or mobile home?

Do you own or rent?

If you rent, lease, or live in a condo, do you have permission to have a dog? Please provide your Landlord's name and phone number and proof that you are able to have a large sized dog. We must have approval before your application can be processed.

Landlord's name and phone number:

Do you have any roommates? If so, please have them complete the Roommate Consent Form. All Roommates must complete and sign this form before the Application can be processed.

Is your home multi-level or single level? This may be of concern if the dog has special needs or is a senior who might have trouble using stairs.

How long have you lived at this address?

Do you have a fenced yard?

- Type of Fence?
- Height of Fence?
- Is the yard securely enclosed without any breaks in the fencing?
- How will you handle exercise and potty duties?
- What is the size of your yard?

Is there a local dog-friendly park or area near by to exercise your dog should you require one?

What is the activity level of your household (quiet, moderate, or active)?

Is your home large enough to comfortably accommodate a 50-85lb average sized Weimaraner?

## YOUR FAMILY

*\*Weimaraners are large, energetic, demanding sporting dogs and can have strong prey drives. They require substantial mental and physical exercise, as well as training. It is important that you will have the time to care for a foster Weim. \**

Please indicate the number of adults living in your home.

Who will be the primary caretaker for the foster Weimaraner?

If you have any children living with you, please list their names and ages.

If you don't currently have children, do you plan on adding children to your household in the future?

Have all members of the household agreed to foster a Weimaraner?

Are any members of the household allergic to dog hair or dander? Note: Although Weimaraners have short hair, they do shed their coat twice a year.

Please list the **current** pets you own. Please describe by listing the name, type, sex, age, where kept and whether or not they are altered. Please include any farm animals and small critters.

Pet's Name	Type of Pet (dog, cat, etc.)	Breed	Gender	Age	Where Kept (indoors, outdoors, kennel, crate, house, garage, etc.)	Spayed/Neutered Yes/No?

Will your current pets accept a new dog into the home?

How would you characterize your current house pets (dominant, submissive, friendly, playful, shy, scared, fearful, territorial, etc...)? Note: This will help us match you up with a suitable foster Weimaraner.

If you currently have a dog(s), do any have any issues with resource guarding their food, toys, people, etc.?

Please list ALL pets you have **owned before** with outcome (i.e. death, gave away, lost, etc.). **Don't list current pets.**

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Have you ever returned a pet to a shelter/rescue?

Have you ever had a pet run away?

Do you collar and ID tag your pets?

Do you register your pets in accordance with your local city, township, or county regulations?

### VET INFORMATION

*\*Before submitting your application, please contact your Vet's office to give them permission to release information to us regarding your pet(s). Most Vet offices will not give out any information until the client has given permission. Please provide the name of the person you spoke with at your Vet's office. \**

Name of person you spoke with at your Vet's office: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please give us a Veterinarian Reference INCLUDING Name, Address, City, State, Zip, and Current Phone Number.

Veterinarian Clinic:  
Veterinarian Name:  
Address:  
City: State: Zip Code:  
Phone Number:

Approval to request information regarding any and all client pets: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please note by signature or by initialing that you are granting WFR, Inc. the approval to obtain medical information on your pets through your Veterinarian.

Do you keep current on core vaccinations for all of your current pets (i.e. distemper, parvo, rabies, etc.)?

Do you keep current on heartworm testing and heartworm preventative for all of your current pets?

Do you keep current on flea preventative (in season) for all of your current pets?

Are you aware that this deep-chested breed can be prone to a digestive emergency called "[bloat](#)"? Note: we recommend feeding your Weimaraner smaller meals and at least twice a day. We discourage "free feeding."

## GENERAL QUESTIONS

Have you ever owned a Weimaraner? If so, how recently?

Have you bred Weimaraner dogs in the past?

Why do you want to foster a Weimaraner?

Have you ever fostered with another Animal Rescue?  
If yes, which rescue?

How long during the average workday will the foster dog be left alone?

Where will the foster dog be kept when no one is home?

Are you willing and able to provide on-leash walks with your foster dog daily?

Where will the dog live?  Inside  Outside  Both  
(If you double-click on the box, a window will come up and you can choose 'not checked' or 'checked')  
Please provide details as necessary.

Where will the foster dog sleep at night?

What are your feelings about dog crates and crate training?

What are your feelings about dogs getting on the furniture or in the bed?

Are you willing to address any behavioral issues and work with the foster dog on training?

Are you willing to work with the foster dog on basic obedience training? Note: WFR will assist you with basic dog training support.

Are you willing to allow time for the foster dog to acclimate to your home and its new surroundings?

Are you willing to contact the rescue when you are having issues with your foster dog?

Are you willing to take the foster dog to the vet for necessary/approved visits?

Are you willing to take the foster dog to scheduled WFR adoption events?

Are you prepared to allow the foster dog to be adopted once a family match has been made?

What activities do you plan to participate with your foster dog and how often (Daily, Weekly, Monthly, Once in a while, Never)? (If you double-click on the box, a window will come up and you can choose 'not checked' or 'checked')

- Obedience/Agility/Rally
- Hiking
- Playgroup/Daycare/Dog Park
- Walks
- Snuggle Time

Do you prefer a male or female dog? Please explain your reason for desiring a particular gender?

What age range are you interested in? Please explain your reason for desiring a particular age?

Would you be interested in fostering a special needs dog? (i.e. physical handicap, health handicap, etc.)

Is there any additional information you would like to share with us or are there any additional conditions or special circumstances that you would like to share with us that would help us to match up the best possible foster dog for your family?

Part of our application and approval process requires a phone interview. What is the best time to call and the best number to reach you on?

Part of our application process requires a home visit. **NOTE: This visit must take place at a time when all members of your family are home.** Will you allow a volunteer to visit you and your family in your home?

Do you agree with ALL of the statements listed below? (If you double-click on the box, a window will come up and you can choose 'not checked' or 'checked')

- I agree to never let my foster dog off leash, unsupervised, when outside of a fenced in area unless approved by the rescue.
- I agree that my foster dog will be an indoor house pet only.
- I agree to keep a collar with WFR identification on my foster dog at all times.
- I agree to abide by the WFR Foster Home Handbook policies.
- I agree that my foster dog will be the property of WFR until it is adopted.

Please return this application via email: [weimfriendsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:weimfriendsrescue@gmail.com) or via mail: Weim Friends Rescue, Inc., P.O. Box 43303, Cincinnati, OH 45243-2116.

Thank you for your interest in fostering a rescued Weimaraner!