



ADOPTION GUIDE /PROCESSES

Welcome to FBRGB, we are a non-profit charity run by volunteers. Our mission is to rescue, rehabilitate and re-home French Bulldogs in need from private rescue groups, and owners here in Great Britain. (We did start off with dogs predominately being rescued from Spain but we have now decided to concentrate on the UK due to the number of referrals we are receiving) All the dogs are neutered and our goal is to place healthy and happy French Bulldogs into well-matched, carefully screened forever homes.

We would like to set out what you WILL NOT get from adopting a rescue: (1) a free dog - there are always fees to pay (2) a puppy (it is rare we see dogs under 2 years old) (3) a certain colour/sex (i.e. "I want a brindle male") - this is not a mail order service. Many rescue dogs do have issues i.e. behavioural /health etc. and if you cannot accept the above then a rescue dog may not be right for you. This is a general statement of what "rescue" actually entails.

Since we are a volunteer organisation funded entirely by contributions, we count on your continuing support as well as your adoption fees to help defray the costs of caring for our foster dogs. Please note that we do not charge you to register with us on the adoption database or to surrender a dog. . We do not buy dogs from adverts or breeders under any circumstances. FBRGB will endeavour to work with and assist any other similar French bulldog organisations where possible, for the benefit of the breed.

All of your adoption applications are confidential and we do not pass your information onto any third parties and likewise we do not advise anyone of where surrendered dogs have come from. Our rescue dogs are neutered, current on their vaccinations and micro-chipped. Potential adopters will be made of any past/ongoing medical conditions of which we are aware and any treatments or medications will be clearly described to applicants before adoption occurs.

ADOPTION PROCESS/COSTS

- If you are interested in becoming a potential adopter please go to the "Application" section on the website, and submit a completed application form that we will then store on the potential adopter's database. Then if you see a dog on the website that fits your set up you just send us an email registering your interest each time.
- Prior to adoption all dogs are placed with approved fosterers for assessment as to temperament etc. a full description of their likes and dislikes will be listed on their advert on the website when they are ready for adoption. The dogs can be in foster anywhere in the UK and you need to consider this when applying as if you are successful you would be expected to collect the dog.
- All dogs available for adoption will be posted on the site, once you have completed an Application Form then please feel free to register your interest via email. We don't operate under a kennel system so do not allow potential adopters to meet the dogs before they are selected as the successful candidate , we know this may seem strange but it does work as we can guide you on introducing any existing pets to the new one.

- We post each available dog for 7 days or until the dog receives 50 applications whereupon an "application closed" banner will be displayed and no further applications will be accepted. We will then shortlist potential adopters and Skype home-check (*please look at the home check protocol which is on the same page as the application form*) the five most suitable applicants. ALL applicants will be contacted to advise them whether they have been successful or not to go onto the 2nd stage.
- Skype Home Checks - when you are contacted by one of our home checkers please be as flexible as possible since any delays in arranging an appointment could mean that you miss out on your chosen animal as some adoptions are time critical.
- Once the Skype home checks have been completed then we will select the most appropriate forever home for the dog concerned and inform all of the applicants of our decision.
- There is great value in a face-to-face meeting, including an opportunity to discuss the dog's unique personality and routines and to answer any questions adopters may have, for these reasons, FBRGB insist that the successful new adopter travel to the foster home to complete the transfer. The successful applicant must be willing to travel to the dogs location within 7 days of being notified as the successful applicant
- Adoption Costs – dogs from GB on average will range from £250 to £450 depending on age etc Payment will be need to be made within 48 hours of being contacted by the management team so please bear this in mind before registering your interests.

The Admin Team work really hard behind the scenes to make these adoptions successful - please respect the processes set out above.