

ADOPTION APPLICATION

Triangle Iguana Rescue in NC and
Foundation for Iguana Rescue, Safety & Training (*FIRST*) in VA

We require that you completely fill out the following application and answer all the questions as thoroughly as possible. The more information you provide, the better. We don't expect perfect answers, but if you do not supply enough information, we may not be able to process your application. This application is only the beginning in the adoption process. By completing this application and sending it back to us, you are stating that all the information is true and accurate, and the details on how you intend to care for the iguana are your promised intentions. We also request that you get and carefully read the book, "Iguanas for Dummies" by Melissa Kaplan. We will make a home visit before leaving an iguana with you. We do NOT ship our animals. We don't just turn this animal over to you and disappear. We are always available to help answer questions, come by your home again to check out and test your equipment for you, etc. We encourage you to subscribe to our local e-group and participate in educational opportunities as well as our "iguana picnics", and other events.

Please be aware that we DO have adoption fees...for a number of reasons. We will contact you after we have reviewed your application. Thank you for your interest in giving one of our rescued iguanas a good home.

Is there a particular iguana are you interested in adopting? _____

Date: _____

Your name: _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Home phone number: _____

Work phone number (is it ok to call you at work?): _____

Additional phone number (if possible): _____

Best time to contact you: _____

E-mail address: _____

Do you have a web page? If so, please list URL: _____

Your age: _____

Why do you want to adopt an iguana? _____

Are you aware that iguanas usually grow to 5-6 feet long and can weigh over 15 lbs? _____

Are you prepared for a male who may exhibit seasonal aggression? _____

Are you prepared for a female who will develop eggs and will need special pre-natal care and could need to be spayed if any egg retention problems develop? _____

Do you live in a house, apartment, mobile home, or other (specify)? _____

Do you own your own, or rent your living accommodations? _____

If you rent, does your landlord permit large iguanas? _____

How long are you planning on staying at your current residence? _____

Are there any local or state ordinances that prohibit the ownership of iguanas? _____

How many people will be living in the same home with your iguana? _____

Is there anyone in your household who is not fond of iguanas? _____

Do you plan on keeping this iguana for the rest of its life? _____

How many Green Iguanas do you currently own? _____

If you own at least one iguana, please answer the following questions:

- How long have you owned the iguana(s)? _____
- What are their names and ages? _____
- Please describe the care you provide for your iguana(s). Please give us as many details as possible, including food, habitat, vet care, handling, and any other special care.

Other than the ones you currently own, how many Green Iguanas have you owned in the past? _____

If you have owned at least one iguana in the past, please supply the following information, and include dates.

- What exactly happened to them? (died, adopted by someone else, etc.)
- Please provide any additional information about your previous iguanas. _____

Have you ever adopted an animal before? If yes, what is the current status of that animal?

Have you ever taken any of your own animals to a shelter or rescue society? If yes, what were the circumstances:

Have you owned or cared for other reptile before? If yes, what kind (species name):

If you no longer have these animals, please explain how long you had them and what happened to them.

Do you own any other companion animals? If so, please list them. _____

If you do own other companion animals, what are your plans on keeping them in the same household with your new iguana? _____

Do you feel you are knowledgeable about and up to date on iguana care issues? If yes, please tell us why you feel this way. _____

Are you a member of a herp society or volunteer at any animal related center? _____

What books about iguana care do you own? _____

What is the name of the herp vet you intend on taking this iguana to? Please include address, phone number, and any other details. _____

May we have your permission to contact your vet for a reference? _____

How often do you intend on taking this iguana to the vet? _____

Do you have a driver's license and car? If not, what arrangements have been made to transport this iguana to the vet in case of emergency? _____

Do you feel that you are financially capable of properly caring for this iguana? _____

How much money per month are you planning to spend on caring for this iguana? _____

Are you willing to travel to the iguana's home and meet it and its current owners or foster parents? _____

Are you willing to allow a home visit prior to adopting and a follow up visit after your new iguana has settled in? _____

What type of habitat, enclosure or cage do plan on providing for this iguana? Please describe in detail, including size, lighting, heating, humidity, accessories, etc. (Attach a photo if you have one). _____

Also, please answer a few specific questions about the habitat:

- What size and brand of UVB will you provide, and how often do you expect to replace it? _____

- What type of bedding / substrate will you use? _____

- What type of night time heat will you provide? _____

- What are the dimensions of the enclosure that will be used for this iguana? _____

How do you plan to provide for this iguanas "potty" needs? (ie tub train, pan train, paper train, poop wherever, etc.) _____

Describe in detail the diet you plan on feeding this iguana. _____

How much time per day do you plan to spend caring for your iguana. This includes daily handling, food preparation, feeding, habitat maintenance, cleaning, etc. _____

Are you capable of or had experience with an aggressive iguana? If yes, please give details. _____

Are you aware of the salmonella issues with iguanas? _____

Will any small children be around this iguana and are you capable of providing a clean and safe environment for both? _____

Are there any immuno-compromised or elderly members of the household? If so, how do you plan to protect them from salmonella? _____

Do you plan on breeding this iguana? _____

If you go away for more then 1 night who will care for your iguana? _____

If some unforeseeable reason arises and you need to find a new home for this iguana, do you agree that you will contact us, so we can help you place it in a new home? _____

Will you be willing to send us updates on the care and continued life of your new iguana? _____

Have you ever been charged or convicted of animal cruelty, neglect of abandonment? If so, please explain. _____

By signing below you are certifying that all the answers to the above questions are true to the best of your knowledge. Anything, which is found to not be true, may be cause for denying this application for adoption. If you are under 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign as an indication of their consent and willingness to care for the animal(s) themselves if the need arises. In accordance with VA State Law, your signature certifies that you have not been convicted of animal cruelty, neglect or abandonment.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent signature (if applicable) : _____

Date: _____

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