



Kerry Greyhound Connection

Reg. Charity No. 1115362

INFORMATION FOR 'LONG DISTANCE' HOMES

We do place dogs in homes which are not local to our UK base in Norfolk. We ask you to consider the following before you commit to the process of adopting a dog 'long distance' from us:

1 As part of our rehoming process we will need to organise a homecheck for you. When you fill in our rehoming questionnaire please include details of any rescue organisations local to you (if you know of any) which may be able to do the homecheck for us. If you don't know any we will find someone through our contacts with other rescues. This will mean we would need to pass the information you give us to another organisation.

2 All our dogs come from Ireland where they are rescued; we bring dogs to the UK once or twice a month. They travel by ferry and road to Norfolk via South Wales, the M4, M25, and M11/A11. We will normally ask you to come to a meeting point along this route to collect your dog from us, and to do the adoption paperwork, on a date we give you. This is almost always at a weekend but it may be very early in the morning!

3 If you and your family want to meet the dog first and to have time to think about this before you make a decision, you will probably need to come to Norfolk to do this, where we look after dogs in foster homes whilst they are waiting for their forever homes. We can occasionally find foster homes in other parts of the country, and we will let you know if this is possible if you want to do this.

4 We offer a post adoption follow up support and advice service, by telephone. We have a trainer based in Norfolk who can offer telephone advice in most cases, if you have any problems. If people do have problems, we find that most are normal settling in issues and can be sorted out by advice given by phone or email. If however the problem is one which we feel needs a behaviourist/trainer to see you and the dog, we will not be able to offer this outside of Norfolk. You will need to seek this advice and to be prepared to pay for this from a trainer in your area. We would expect you to do this before asking us to take the dog back if it is a problem we feel may be helped by a behaviourist/trainer.

5 If sadly there is a problem that cannot be sorted out, and you wish to return the dog, you will need to be prepared to bring the dog to Norfolk. We will always take the dog back, this is part of our adoption agreement, although there may be a wait for a foster space. We need to include this information so you know what is expected, but we will work with you as much as we can to help make the adoption a success. Most long distance adoptions are successful and another happy dog gets his or her new home!