Bull Terrier Rescue of Virginia Animal Intake Policy

Purpose

This policy sets forth the standards and guidelines as applied to any dog entering into the Bull Terrier Rescue of Virginia (or "BTRVA") foster program. This policy expresses the expectations of persons representing the BTRVA organization whether this representation be explicit or implied. This policy is subject to review solely by vote by active board officers and is not subject to interpretation by individuals representing BTRVA without expressed permission and/or consideration by active board members.

This policy covers:

- General Policy Standards.
- Dog Breeds
- Dog Age
- Dog Temperament
- Dog Health

General

All dogs entering the BTRVA program will do so under the express order of intake coordination by the Rescue Chair. Individuals representing BTRVA do not have authority to place dogs into the BTRVA program without express consent or order from the Rescue Chair.

Dog Breeds

BTRVA is now open to all breeds.

Dog Age

There is no age requirement, however, all dogs exceeding 8 years of age shall be considered senior animals and will be considered for BTRVA's foster program before others younger than 8 years of age. Dogs younger than 8 years of age may be considered and/or accepted under the following conditions:

- a. A foster home is open and available for a dog requiring an indefinite term of stay;
- b. A review of the dog's inclusion in the BTRVA program is performed and accepted by the Rescue Chair.

Dog Temperament

Dogs entering the BTRVA program will be of reasonable temperament. BTRVA WILL NOT accept:

- a. Dogs having been known to have bitten or having a bite history;
- b. Dogs exhibiting aggression towards people;
- c. Dog who may have killed another animal.

Dogs thought to be exhibiting any resource guarding behavior, whether towards people or other dogs, or dogs being presented by any individual for special considerations must be approved by the Rescue Chair; and such consideration shall only be made if resources (foster home, management and care of animal, rescue funds) are available.

Dog Health

BTRVA provides standard veterinary vaccines, testing and procedures as listed below, and any dogs requiring medical care in excess of the following standard care will require approval from the Rescue Chair and President and/or Vice President:

- Veterinary Examination
- Rabies Vaccine
- DHLPP Vaccine
- Heartworm Testing
- Fecal Testing
- Spay/ Neuter

