



WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW BEFORE TURNING IN YOUR COLLIE TO CRLNE

Thinking of surrendering your collie?

We are here to help. CRLNE is an all-volunteer organization that was formed out of love for the collie, and we are passionate about this special breed. Our goal is to help you keep your collie's tail wagging.

If you are considering turning in your collie because of a specific problem, consider giving us a call to discuss the issue. We may be able offer advice to help you keep your dog.

Beware of dropping off your collie at your local pound, which may seem like an easy option. An animal control officer's job is to remove stray animals from the streets. Although many try very hard to place dogs in good homes, they are under NO OBLIGATION to do so, and the 5-7 day waiting period law does not apply to an owner turn-in. Some of these facilities are overwhelmed and may not be able to offer the attention your collie needs. Once you have transferred ownership to them, an animal control officer is free to do as he/she sees fit, whatever that may be.

Thinking of adopting out your collie on your own?

If you choose to place your collie yourself, please be careful and check for references. CRLNE will be happy to share our screening procedures and tips with you. We may also be able to match you with potential adopters who have already been approved by our League.

Although there are individuals who "rescue" on their own, to our knowledge we are the only collie rescue organization in New England recognized both at the state and federal levels as a (501)(3)(c) nonprofit corporation. With us, your collie will receive the best possible care.

Is your collie sickly or a very frail senior?

We strongly urge you to discuss with your veterinarian the option of euthanasia. While this is an emotionally difficult option to consider, it may be the kindest thing you can do for your collie, especially if you have had your collie for many years. Please feel free to discuss this option with us.

Does your collie exhibit dangerous or vicious behavior?

For the safety of our volunteers, please be honest about any behavior problems or bite history your collie may have. Be aware that any collie we take in who is found to be dangerous or vicious may be euthanized.

I am ready to turn in my collie to CRLNE.

STEPS:

- 1) Before turning in your collie to CRLNE please be aware you MUST provide a current rabies certificate (signed by a licensed veterinarian) and proof that your collie is currently heartworm negative. No exceptions can be granted for collies without rabies vaccinations or a current negative heartworm test. We cannot bring in collies who do not have a valid rabies certificate.
- 2) If possible, please ask your vet to re-issue your dog's rabies certificate in the name of COLLIE RESCUE LEAGUE OF NEW ENGLAND, INC. P.O. Box 3689, Cranston RI 02910.
- 3) We ask that you kindly complete our incoming dog profile form. First, this information helps us to place collies in the foster home where he or she will be most happy. When your collie is nearing adoption, we carefully match your collie's needs with the environment and lifestyle of an adoptive home. The more information we have, the smoother that transition will be. There may be a wait until there's an opening in a foster home, as collies in pounds and shelters are top priority. Please let us know if yours is an emergency situation.
- 4) Please understand we reserve the right to decline to accept a dog into the system if the dog is heartworm positive or has temperament or physical problems that make the collie un-adoptable. Thank you in advance for your honesty for the safety of our volunteers.
- 5) NOTE: All A.K.C. papers must be turned in with your collie. These papers will be kept in our permanent and private files, and will not be turned over to new owners.

What happens to collies who enter CRLNE?

All collies entering our program are cared for in private foster homes that have been carefully screened. CRLNE collies are treated as one of the family, and receive lots of love and attention. The collie will receive a veterinary evaluation and needed care, basic training if needed, and will be professionally groomed. Our foster families become very attached to their foster collies and care very much about their future happiness. Our foster home director and foster home coordinators work closely with the foster homes to track the collie's progress and readiness for adoption.

Our director of adoptions/adoptions coordinator communicates keeps in touch with the foster home coordinator and the foster home to plan for the best possible match. Each collie placement is a very thoughtful and thorough process. We do not place collies on a first-come-first-served basis. Instead, we are dedicated to matching each collie with a family and home environment that best meets their needs, and where they will be most happy.

After your collie is adopted

CRLNE assists the new adoptive family with transition as needed, and we are available to the adoptive family and collie for the collie's lifetime.

We operate very much like an adoption agency. You will not know where your collie has been placed, nor will your collie's new owners know who you are. However, we can share general information about your collie's placement if you wish.



Incoming Dog Profile

The following questionnaire provides us with information about how your dog behaved in many different circumstances while he or she was living with you. Because your dog is likely to behave in similar ways in his new home, this information will help us find the most suitable home for your dog and to effectively counsel the new family. Your open and honest answers are very necessary and appreciated, and will increase the likelihood of a successful adoption. Please help us ensure the safety of our volunteers, and their families, by being honest when filling out this form. Many of our foster homes have children, cats, and other dogs, and some have areas of expertise, which may benefit your collie. Our volunteers will work with your collie on any problems he/she may have, be it behavioral or health-related. Your honesty will enable us to place your collie in the right foster home for his/her needs, and, ultimately in the right forever home.

By signing below, I certify that the information I am about to provide is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

Print Name _____ Dog's Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____



Incoming Dog Profile

Dog and Household Information

Dog's name _____ Microchipped? Yes # (if known) _____ No

Date of Birth ____/____/____ How long have you had this dog? Yrs. _____ Mos. _____

Sex Male Female Spayed or neutered? Yes No

If not altered, why? _____ Any litters? _____

If intact female, is she in season now? _____

Date of last season _____

Color Sable Tri Color Blue Merle White
Coat: Rough Smooth

Registered Name _____ AKC# (if known) _____

Your relationship to dog?

Owner Friend/caretaker Foster owner Other _____

Where did you get this dog?

Shelter Friend/relative Newspaper/web Found/stray Breeder Pet store

Breeder's Name/Location _____

Do you have a contract with the breeder? Yes No Don't Know

Why do you need to relinquish this dog to CRLNE?

Would you like our help in working out the problem so you could keep your collie?

Yes No

How did you hear about the Collie Rescue League of New England? _____

Is this an emergency situation or can you wait for an available foster home to become available? _____



Incoming Dog Profile

Including yourself, how many people of the following ages live in your house? Please fill in the boxes.

Age range (yrs.)	Female	Male
0-3		
4-9		
10-17		
18-29		
30-59		
60+		

What other animals has your dog lived with?

- No other animals in household
 Dogs
 Cats
 Livestock
 Other (Please describe below)

Typical Behavior

How does your dog usually behave toward the following? Please check the boxes.

	Never encounter	Friendly	Afraid	Shows teeth/ Growls	Snaps	Bites	Don't know
People your dog knows							
Men							
Women							
Children							
Unfamiliar people							
Men							
Women							
Children							
Animals your dog knows							
Dogs							
Cats							
Unfamiliar animals							
Dogs							
Cats							

Does your dog usually uncontrollably chase or attempt to chase any of the following? Please check all that apply

- Joggers
 Bicycles
 Skateboarders
 Rollerbladers
 Cars
 Buses
 Motorcycles
 Outdoor cats
 Small wildlife
 Deer/Large Wildlife
 Birds
 Running children



Incoming Dog Profile

How does your dog <i>usually</i> react when an unfamiliar person approaches or enters the yard or house?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Friendly	<input type="checkbox"/> Afraid	<input type="checkbox"/> Barks	<input type="checkbox"/> Shows teeth/growls
<input type="checkbox"/> Snaps	<input type="checkbox"/> Bites	<input type="checkbox"/> Charges	<input type="checkbox"/> Jumps
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			

Do you take your dog out to go to the bathroom?

Yes – Please specify how many times per day _____ No, dog is paper trained

Does your dog usually have “accidents” in the house? Yes – How many times per day _____ No

Where does your dog spend most of his/her time?

- Inside the house, free reign
 Inside the house, crated
 Outside, runs free
 Outside in fenced yard
 Outside in crate/kennel
 Outside, tied
 Other _____

How long is your dog left alone, without people, during the week?

- Never
 1-3 hours
 4-8 hours
 9-12 hours
 Over 12 hours

When your dog is left alone, is he/she...

- Outdoors
 Free in house
 Confined to a room
 Crated
 Other _____

When left alone, does your dog usually show any of the following behaviors? Please check all that apply.

- Destroys household items
 Urinate/defecate
 Bark
 Cries
 None of these

How does your dog usually react when you or another family member does the following? Please check boxes.

	Never tried	Enjoys	Allows	Afraid	Growls/shows teeth	Snaps	Bites	None of these
Bathe								
Brush								
Wipe feet								
Nail trim								

When your dog plays, does he/she typically... Please check all that apply

- Jumps
 Growls
 Barks
 Bites lightly
 Bites hard
 None of these



Incoming Dog Profile

What toys does your dog like?

- Balls Frisbee Plush Squeaky Tug Toy None

Other _____

What games does your dog like?

- Fetch Tug Chase Wrestling None

Other _____

Is your dog scared of anything?

- Yes – Please explain _____ No

Please tell us your dog's "bad habits":

Is your dog allowed on furniture? Yes No

Where does your dog usually sleep overnight?

- Crate Floor Dog bed Couch Owner's bed

Other _____

What commands does your dog know?

- None Sit Stay Down Come Heel Give paw Speak

Other _____

Has your dog attended any obedience training classes? Yes No

Has your dog ever been walked on a leash? Yes No

Does your dog have problems riding in the car?

- Yes – Please describe _____ No Don't Know



Incoming Dog Profile

Has your dog escaped your property 2 or more times in the last 6 months?

- Yes – Please describe _____
- _____
- No Don't Know

Aggressive Behavior (Behavior that has **ever** happened)

Is there any report of your dog ever inflicting a serious bite to a person (such as an attack or a bite requiring hospitalization)?

- Yes No Don't Know

Has your dog ever attacked another dog resulting in severe injury or death to another dog?

- Yes No Don't Know

Has your dog ever attacked another domesticated animal species (cats or livestock but not "small pets" like hamsters, guinea pigs, etc.) resulting in severe injury or death to another domesticated animal?

- Yes No Don't Know

Please check the appropriate box if your dog has ever shown any of the following aggressive behaviors toward men, women, children, dog, or another domesticated animal species (cats or livestock, not "small pets" like hamsters, guinea pigs, etc.)
Do not include aggressive behaviors directed toward a veterinarian or groomer.

	Shown teeth/growled	Snap	Bite	None of these	Do not know
Men					
Women					
Children					
Dog					
Other domesticated animal (cat, livestock, etc.)					

If a snap or bite to men or women was checked, did the snap or bite to adult take place while breaking up a dog fight or while a dog was in severe pain? Yes No

If snap or bite to children was checked, did the snap or bite to a child take place while breaking up a dog fight or while a dog was in severe pain? Yes No



Incoming Dog Profile

Please explain the circumstances of the snap or bite. If you checked more than one bite in the table above, please explain the circumstances of every snap or bite.

If any aggressive behavior to men, women, or children was checked in the table above, please answer the following questions. If this does not apply, please skip this table.

	Men		Women		Children	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Was the aggressive behavior over food?						
Was it over bones, rawhides, or chews?						
Was it over toys?						
Was it over "stolen" objects?						
Did it occur when the dog was disturbed while sleeping or resting?						
Was it when the dog was being handled by an adult or child (brushing, handling feet, bathing, teeth brushing, ear cleaning, etc.? Do NOT include reaction to vet or groomer.						
Was it when a person entered the house or yard?						
Was it when a person approached or reached toward the dog?						

Medical History

ALL collies, when transferred to the collie Rescue League of New England, Inc., MUST be accompanied by a current rabies certificate, signed by a veterinarian. It is ILLEGAL in all New England states to have in your possession a dog that is not vaccinated against rabies. Also, it is ILLEGAL to transport a dog across state lines without a valid Health Certificate. Our transporters and members have been instructed to refuse any collie that is not accompanied by a current rabies certificate. There will be no exceptions!

Does your dog see a veterinarian at least once a year?

Yes No Don't Know

If "yes", please specify the veterinarian name and contact info:

Name _____ Phone number _____



Incoming Dog Profile

Please provide the dates when your collie last received:

	Date
DHLPP	
Parvovirus vaccine	
Fecal exam/worming	
Heartworm test	

Is your collie currently on Heartworm Preventive Medication?

- Yes Brand _____
 No If No, why not? _____

Check if your dog has ever shown any of the following aggressive behaviors when handled by a veterinarian or groomer.

	Never done	Shows teeth/ growls	Snaps	Bites	None
Exam (including heart, ears)					
Restraining					
Administering shots					
Trimming nails					
Having blood drawn					

Does your dog need to be muzzled at the veterinarian?

- Yes No

Does your dog have any past or present medical conditions?

- Yes – Please describe _____

- No

Is your dog currently on any medication or special diet?

- Yes – Please describe _____

- No

What type of food does your dog eat? (Please check all that apply)

- Dry Only Canned Only Mixed Canned & Dry Home Cooked Raw Diet

