

**Application for Rescue Coordinator/Foster Position**

**Irish Wolfhound Association of the Mid-South  
Irish Wolfhound Rescue of the Mid-South  
2232 Old Reedy Creek Rd.  
Cary, NC 27513  
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**THIS IS A VOLUNTEER/NON-PAID POSITION REQUIRING SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENT WITH LITTLE REWARD OUTSIDE OF THE PLEASURE OF HELPING HOUNDS AND THEIR FAMILIES.**

The rescue coordinator requires reasonable email and phone access throughout the day, plus the time to field the many inquiries the position receives. The position requires using general guidelines, as set by the Senior Rescue Coordinator, to assess adoptive homes and coordinate intake of rescue Irish Wolfhounds. The applicant must feel comfortable communicating with potential adopters, owners relinquishing their hounds, and fellow team members. It requires empathy, compassion, tact, sensitivity, thoughtfulness, CONFIDENTIALITY, and strong communication skills. Customer service is critical to both adoptive success and owner relinquishment.

**Application for Rescue Coordinator/Foster Position:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Pets in household:**

**Dogs (# and type):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cats (# and type):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Other (# and type):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Describe your property, fencing, and environment rescue hounds would be housed:**

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1.) The rescue coordinator position for each state supported by IWRMS/ IWAMS requires having your phone number and email listed on the website. If chosen, do you give approval to share your contact information on the IWAMS/IWRMS website?  Yes  No

2.) The rescue coordinator needs to assist owners relinquishing their hounds. These can be sensitive and emotionally charged situations, requiring tact, empathy, and compassion. Do you have the availability to follow up quickly with relinquishing owners, and swiftly arrange transport to an approved foster home? If necessary, can you foster the hound temporarily until a more permanent foster can be identified?  Yes  No

3.) The rescue coordinator needs to keep a close eye on internet ads, social media posts, craigslist ads, Hoobly, Rescue Me, etc. for their state. They need to quickly reach out to any owner posting a hound for sale or for free and attempt to emotionally connect with them, encouraging them to work through rescue rather than selling the hound to the first person offering to take him/her. This requires perseverance, tact and an ability to connect with others. Do you feel you can both regularly and actively assess hounds in your state, and reach out and connect with owners relinquishing their hounds? Explaining the value of rescue and gaining their commitment to utilize regional rescue to place their hound?  Yes  No

4.) The Rescue Coordinator is responsible for evaluating the applications of potential adoptive owners. The Rescue Coordinator must respond in a timely manner to contacts via the IWAMS/IWRMS website, set up premise checks by leveraging experienced club members pre-approved by the Senior Rescue Coordinator. Using the information provided by the members doing the premise check, the foster family, and the previous owners, the Rescue Coordinator must evaluate applications within their state for the home with the best fit. We do not function on a “first come, first serve” basis, but rather choose the best home based on the hound’s needs. The rescue coordinator will be prepared to bring their best applicants to a conference call with all rescue coordinators. If another coordinator in another state has a better applicant for that hound the rescue coordinator will assist in arranging transport to the home providing the best fit. While understanding priority is always given to previous adoptive homes who have recently lost a hound. Are you comfortable with vetting potential owners, calling references, contacting veterinary references, arranging premise checks, assisting in arranging transport, or personally transporting hounds to their new homes?  Yes  No

5.) Please list your experience working in rescue and foster, with Irish Wolfhounds and why you feel you would be a good fit for this position:

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