



RESCUE PROCEDURES

1. Any party who will be in possession of an Entlebucher during the rescue process must sign a waiver absolving NEMDA of any damages resulting from the rescued animal. Said form must be completed and sent to the Rescue Chairperson or the Secretary before taking possession of any Entlebucher. No person shall initiate the Rescue Process without prior approval of the Rescue Chairperson and one NEMDA Officer.
2. An authorized representative of NEMDA may take possession of the animal upon obtaining a signed Release Form by the current owner. Where appropriate, NEMDA will request a \$100 service fee from the current owner toward Rescue expenses. NEMDA will continue the Rescue process even if the fee is not paid. NEMDA or representative will not take physical possession of the animal until or unless necessary.
3. The dog's temperament must be evaluated by a competent individual, whether or not a member of NEMDA.
4. If the dog is considered to have dangerous character faults (ie. aggressiveness, biting) that cannot be rectified, NEMDA will recommend that the owner have the dog euthanized or will arrange and pay for euthanization as quickly as possible.
5. If the dog is considered a good candidate for placement, and the dog is intact, NEMDA shall request that the owner spay/neuter the dog or shall arrange and pay for neutering.
6. If a NEMDA member takes possession of the dog, s/he will be reimbursed for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred during the Rescue process. The Board must approve any individual expense exceeding \$100.
7. If no NEMDA member is available to take the dog, NEMDA will not be able to take possession of the dog. In extreme circumstances, Rescue Chair may ask for a special vote of the Board.
8. NEMDA Rescue Chairperson will contact prospective adoptive families from pre-approved list. Interested qualified families will be given information to contact the interim responsible party holding the dog.
9. If a family wishes to adopt a Rescue dog, a fee of \$500 US and completion of adoption papers are required before the adoption may take place. This fee may be adjusted by Board approval on a case-by-case basis.



NEMDA RESCUE ADOPTION APPLICATION

Please fill out this application form completely. The application is designed to help us determine if the adoption is in the animal's best interest, and to assist the potential adopter in finding an animal most compatible with his/her lifestyle. An unwise adoption can result in an unpleasant experience for adoptive families and may ruin the pet for any further adoptions. We hope you will agree that the animal's welfare must be our foremost consideration. The information you provide will only be used for adoption purposes.

In order to be considered for an adoption, you must meet the following criteria:

- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Be a member of NEMDA
- Have the knowledge and consent of all adults living in the household
- Own your home or have landlord's consent to bring animal onto property
- Have verifiable identification of Landlord's signature (if applicable)

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ (business) _____ (email) _____

Driver's license# _____ State _____

Referred by _____

Veterinarian's Name _____ Veterinarian's Phone # _____

Type of dwelling: House ___ Condo ___ Apartment ___ Mobile Home ___ Specify Other: _____

If renting, give name, address, and phone # of landlord _____

_____ Signature of landlord _____

How long have you lived at this address? _____

Do you plan to move in the foreseeable future? Yes () No () If yes, what do you plan to do with your pets?

Are you adopting for: yourself () immediate family () someone else ()

Who will be responsible for the care of the dog? _____

Are you familiar with local animal control laws? Yes () No ()

Do you or anyone in your household have any known allergies to animals? Yes () No ()

If yes, to what kinds of animals and how severe? _____

Do you travel? Yes () No () If yes, how do you intend to provide for the dog while you're away?

Have you ever owned a dog? Yes () No () What kind and how many?

Are you familiar with this breed and temperament? Yes () No ()

Have you owned this breed before? Yes () No ()

Are you comfortable having your Entlebucher spayed/neutered prior to adoption? Yes () No ()

Why do you want an Entlebucher Sennenhund? _____

Do you have a preference regarding age and/or sex of dog? Yes () No () If yes, please explain your reasons.

Dogs you are interested in: (please check)

Age under 1 year ()
Male ()

Age over 1 year ()
Female ()

Age no preference ()
Either male or female ()

Do you have other animals? List type, age, sex _____

What happened to any pets you no longer have? _____

Do you have children? List number and ages? _____

Where will the dog be during the day? _____ at night? _____

How many hours will the dog spend without human companionship? _____

Where will the dog be kept when alone during the day? _____

Where will the dog be kept when alone at night? _____

Do you have a fenced yard? Yes () No () If yes, what type of fencing/height? Invisible (electronic) Fence ()

Do you have secure latches? Yes () No ()

Can children open gates? Yes () No ()

Are you aware of distractions outside your yard that may annoy your dog (ie. neighbor's dog, loose dogs, mischievous children)? Yes () No ()

If yes, what are they? _____

Can anyone gain access to your yard from the street? _____

If your dog makes a mistake, what type of correction will you make _____

Are you willing to pay a donation to Rescue to help cover expenses? Yes () No ()

The average yearly cost for routine care of a pet can run as high as \$600. This does not include emergency care or other unexpected costs. Are you prepared to spend this amount on your new pet? Yes () No ()

Who will be financially responsible? _____

Entlebucher Sennenhunds can live well over 10 years. Are you ready to take responsibility for the dog's entire life?

Yes () No ()

Have you ever owned a Rescue dog or provided a Foster Home? Yes () No ()

If so, what breed? For how long? Outcome?

Have you ever brought an animal into a shelter? Yes () No () If yes, why? _____

Please check if you have any interest or engaged in any of the following:

Pet shop () Buying dogs for resale () Commercial breeding where dogs are bred for pet shops ()

Have you ever been convicted of cruelty to animals? Yes () No ()

Are you under suspension from any purebred dog association such as AKC, UKC, CKC? Yes () No ()

How did you find out about NEMDA? _____

Are you willing to have a member of NEMDA visit your home prior to adoption (by appointment)?

Yes () No ()

Please give us two personal references (name, address, and phone number/email)

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I understand that NEMDA Entle Rescue does not sell or buy Entlebucher Sennenhunds; they are only finding homes for Entles that do not have homes. Your signature signifies that you have read the contents of this application and have filled out this questionnaire thoroughly and truthfully. If I adopt an Entlebucher Sennenhund through NEMDA, I agree to abide by the terms of the Liability Waiver.

Signature _____ Date _____

The Rescue Chair from NEMDA will contact you for potential placement. NEMDA reserves the right to refuse adoption of any applicant. Please use below or attach additional pages to add any other information you wish us to consider in placing one of our Entlebuchers with you. If you have any questions, please contact the Rescue Chair, at rescue@NEMDA.org. Thank you!

Date Approved _____

Reviewer's Signature _____

Phone # _____

PLEASE SCAN and EMAIL YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO: rescue@nemda.org

**OR SEND BY MAIL TO: NEMDA Rescue Chair
Jodie Cutter
65 Laurel Road
Weston MA 02493-1610**