FRR Home Visit Report Example – Section 3: Interior House

Please share what you have learned from a potential adopter's home visit.

Adopter name(s) Pam/Bob, Tofu (2-year-old male GR mix)

(Because this was a set up video training, Bob was not attending but if everyone is not present, STOP HV and reschedule when all are present)

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Completed by HV Volunteer Jan

Describe the inside of the home (number of levels, slippery floors or carpet, breakables, dog door, etc.)

This is a single story 2bd/2ba home with hardwood floors and area carpets throughout. There is currently no dog door, but something they may consider going forward. They have a master bedroom with a dog bed and second bedroom is applicant's office/guest room where a dog is invited to sleep on the couch when she's working. There were a number of things we chatted about that a dog could get into; trash cans exposed without lids, shoes and papers that could become chew toys, they have a dining table with bench seating that a dog could jump up on with fruit/food in a bowl on the table, glass of water on living room table. They have an interior laundry room that a dog can access when going into the back yard. Just cautioned applicant to be careful what gets left around "dog height" that may be toxic to a dog. Prescription bottles on kitchen counter, Framed artwork with glass waiting to be hung on floor.

What should have also been asked/put in report: This is where you are looking at how dog friendly the home is. Are there safety concerns? Cluttered/Clean?

Describe any pets present during the visit, whether resident or visiting the home (how do they appear and interact with volunteer and/or visiting dog, do they appear to be well cared for?)

Tofu has been in residence for a few months – looks very happy, healthy and well loved and he was curled up in a chair in the living room. There were water and food dishes in the kitchen. Tofu described as high energy but also calm and will hang out when they work. He is 2-3 years and looks a bit larger than standard Golden Retriever/Lab size. He needs a friend to play and run with and he can play rough. There were balls on low shelf for Tofu.

What should have also been asked/put in report: What experience does Tofu have with other dogs? How does applicant interact with current dog? How is Tofu with strangers?

If you brought a visiting dog, describe how the family treated it (petted it, ignored it, offered treats/water, etc.)

N/A right now because of doing virtual home visits during Covid times.

Describe the area where the dog will be kept when the family is away (outdoors, shady, secure, not secure, etc.)

Dogs are kept indoors when family is away.

What should have also been asked/put in report: How does Tofu do when he is left alone? Does he sleep or get into mischief? Are certain areas closed off or is he free to roam throughout the house?

Describe plans for where the dog will sleep at night (dog bed, with the family or separate)

Dog can sleep wherever he/she likes – there is a dog bed in the bedroom but he seems to not like dog beds and prefers the floor or couch.

Describe any plans in the near future to remodel, travel or move to a new home.

Applicants moved into this home and are doing some remodeling together. Current project is adding shelves to husband's office area but should be done soon. Next will be putting in artificial turf in backyard so dog and have place to run/play and go potty.