

PIT BULL FAQ PACKET

Congratulations on your new dog!

We have identified the dog you are adopting today as a pit bull or pit bull mix and recommend you seek the required assessment from Denver Animal Protection.

City of Denver Breed-Restricted Permitting Process:

Starting January 1, 2021, all pit bull owners and adopters must contact Denver Animal Protection (DAP) to schedule an appointment for a breed-restricted assessment.

Assessments will take 30-45 minutes and will be conducted by DAP at the Denver Animal Shelter. The assessment fee is \$25 per dog and is non-refundable.

Through the assessment process, if your dog is determined not to have a majority of the physical characteristics of the banned breeds, the dog will be allowed in Denver without a permit. The owner will be provided with an official breed evaluation letter stating that the dog was evaluated by DAP. Assessment fees are non-refundable.

If, through the assessment process, your dog is determined to have a majority of the physical characteristics of the banned breeds, you will need to follow the application process for obtaining a Breed-Restricted Permit from DAP.

All dogs in Denver are required to have a rabies vaccination, city license, and be spayed or neutered.

To schedule the required breed assessment, call 311 or make an appointment online through the Denver Animal Protection website: https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Departments/Animal-Drotection/Animal-Ordinances-and-Legislation