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What you MUST do to join our Dalmatian Family

We are excited for you to add one of our puppies to your family! By doing so, you will be joining our Dalmatian Owners family. Every one of our puppies is precious, and we want to make sure they are safe, secure and go to good homes. We also feel strongly about protecting the lineage we have worked so hard to develop. So, we have a process that works for us to bring you into OUR big family.

STEP ONE: GETTING ON THE WAITING LIST

If you are interested in one of our puppies, the first step is to complete our Preference Sheet, and pay a \$100.00 **NON-REFUNDABLE** deposit to get on our waiting list. Your deposit is necessary to secure you a spot in line for a puppy. The preference sheet will tell us where to put you on the waiting list, and helps us identify where the deposits are coming from, so **DO NOT SEND A DEPOSIT WITHOUT COMPLETING A PREFERENCE SHEET**. AND, you will want to immediately download and complete our Puppy Buyer Questionnaire, so you won't hold us up when it comes time to qualify you for a puppy.

We do not allow families to put deposits on brand new or unborn puppies. We want our puppies to get old enough to get checked out by the vet, get their hearing tests, and get a couple rounds of shots before we think they are ready to pair up with a family. But, as our puppies are born, we will start the process of qualifying the people on the waiting list to determine which are acceptable families to receive one of our puppies. So, that's when we review your answers on the questionnaire and contact your references. At this stage, if we decide we need more information, **you MAY get an email requesting an additional non-refundable background check fee of \$55.00, which may be required for you to stay on the waiting list** and be eligible to join our family as a puppy parent.

STEP TWO: PICKING A NEW PUPPY TO JOIN YOUR FAMILY

When we have puppies ready to be paired with families, we start working our way through the waiting listing, pairing the needs of the families with our available puppies, and offering to allow families to choose among our available puppies. If we have a puppy that you would like to select to join your family, an additional installment of \$200.00 will be needed to hold the puppy. We will add this to your previously paid \$100.00 deposit, and your total non-refundable Deposit will then be \$300.00.

Now, you need to understand how our waiting list works. We have spent years developing the gene lines to produce very special puppies. Our Tri-color puppies are very rare... so are our LUA puppies. (LUA puppies have been bred not to have the gene that causes a lot of kidney problems common in this breed of dog.) We also have breeders who contact us looking for our special puppies for their own breeding programs. The people who are looking for very special Dalmatians, and who are paying a significant amount more to secure one or more special feature, have a kind of preference over the general waiting list. You may want a puppy with blue eyes, but that is not something we can breed for, so you cannot select that as a preference.



STEP THREE: SIGNING OUR CONTRACT AND BILL OF SALE

Once you choose a specific puppy, this is the point when the completed and signed Puppy buying contract and Bill of Sale must be returned. NO EXCEPTIONS! We know it's long and a little scary, but it is meant to be, and thorough. Feel free to have your attorney review it, we totally encourage you to do that before signing. We really don't want any mistake about our intentions, and we want you to be completely clear about what you are agreeing to and what will be expected of you. If the completed and signed contract is not received within 10 days of picking your puppy, the puppy will again be made available to other families on the waiting, and you will lose your deposit.

If all the paperwork is done and in on time, the balance of the agreed price will be due when your selected puppy reaches 8 weeks old, whether or not you actually pick him/her up.

STEP FOUR: SIGNING UP FOR OUR SUPPLEMENTAL PET INSURANCE PROGRAM

Our health guarantee only covers you to replace a puppy found to have problem within a short time after he or she goes home. But, more often than not, we find that families have already bonded with their furbaby, and are not interested in returning them to us. We now provide Free pet insurance for 30 days from the date you take your puppy home, that will help with the cost of vet care, should a problem surface that is not covered by our health guarantee. After the first 30 days, you will have to pick up the cost of the insurance. However, if you agree to maintain the insurance for at least one (1) year, and if the dog ends up having a congenital defect in that time that was not detected by our health screening, we will pay your deductible for a covered illness or defect, so that you can get your pet appropriate vet care. If this is not something you are willing to do, then the only thing we will offer is what is provided by the contract, which is to return the dog and get a replacement puppy.

STEP FIVE: MAKING ARRANGEMENTS TO TRANSPORT YOUR PUPPY HOME

If we are delivering your puppy or if your puppy is traveling by plane, you can arrange pick-up as early as eight (8) weeks. For plane travel, make sure you check with the airlines and follow their instructions for transport, or your puppy will not be allowed on the plane.

If you will be picking-up your puppy yourself, you can come and bring him/her home as early as eight (8) weeks old. **BUTTTT....** if you are hiring a transporter, you cannot arrange pick-up of your puppy until he/she is **10 weeks** old, AT LEAST. This is because there is a greater risk of exposing the puppy to sickness with a commercial transporter, and we are not willing to risk our puppies by letting them travel that way until they are a little older.

If you cannot arrange your puppy's pick-up when he/she is released for transport by the breeder, we allow you an additional five (5) days as a grace period. After that, you will be charged \$10.00 per day for us to feed and care for your puppy, until he/she is picked-up from our facility.



STEP SIX: YOUR NEW PUPPY 1ST VET APPT/COMPLETING CHIP REGISTRATION

As soon as you get your puppy home, you should immediately make an appointment with your vet to have your puppy examined. Your rights under our health guarantee are dependent upon you having your puppy examined within two (2) weeks from when you take your puppy home. Be sure to bring the records we give you about the vaccines your puppy has already gotten from us, and you and your vet can make a plan for completing your new puppies first shots. The purpose in having your new puppy examined right away is to verify the health of your new furbaby at the time he or she arrives.

This is also the time you should get your puppy's chip registration completed. Your Vet may offer this service, but if he or she doesn't, there is a chip number and website provided with the paperwork you get when you pick up your puppy. You just need to contact the company on the website to complete your registration.

SPECIAL RULES FOR TRI-COLORS:WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

We are one of a very VERY few breeders in the world who have cultivated the gene pool needed to produce Tri-color Dalmatian puppies, and we are getting slammed with requests. Unfortunately, we have already experienced people who were only interested in our puppies for breeding. So, we have had to make special rules just for our Tri-colors, to protect our puppies and the genetic lines we worked so hard to develop. Unfortunately, that just makes it harder for families to get our Tri-color puppies, but we really think we have come up with the only way to weed out the breeder thieves.

Tri-color puppies require an up-front deposit of \$2,500.00. This is on top of the \$100.00 non-refundable deposit paid to get on our wait list. When Tri-color puppies become available, if the family on the waiting list wants a Tri-color, a price will be negotiated and the increased deposit will have to be paid. As much as \$1,500.00 will be refundable if the new family provides proof that the puppy has been spayed or neutered NO LATER THAN by the age of 7 months (this deadline will be slightly flexible if there is a verifiable health issue that prevents spaying/neutering, and a licensed veterinarian is willing to certify that the puppy has not been bred,. But under no circumstances will the family be able to extend this deadline more than 1-2 months). Also, all Tri-colors are micro chipped and ownership will stay with us until proof of spaying/neutering is provided. We hope you understand why this is necessary.

