For the Record:

By signing this agreement, I agree that I understand the breed and the requirements for owning this breed. I also understand that providing vet care and acquiring the required vaccinations is not optional, but necessary for the health and wellbeing of my new puppy. You are also required to have the puppy checked by your vet within 3 days from pickup or you accept the puppy AS IS. Your puppy has been given his/her appropriate vaccinations. Our protocol for vaccines is 5,8,11, and 15 weeks to provide your new puppy the best protection it needs and serves to help build its immunity for life. Your puppy has received 2 sets of vaccinations. Your puppy will be due to receive its next round of vaccinations on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**IT IS SO IMPORTANT** that you do not have your puppy out in the environment until fully vaccinated. When you take your pup to the vet, do not allow pup to be down inside or outside of the vet’s office. Place the pup in a crate, hold your pup while you wait, or leave pup in the car until your vet’s office is ready to room you. In addition, do not take your pup into stores such as Tractor Supply, Pet store, etc. until fully vaccinated. Also, do not take puppy to dog park to be around other dogs as you don’t know their vaccination history. The pup has a weak immune system and is susceptible to diseases such as Parvo which is deadly to unvaccinated pups and pups with immature immune systems. That is why Black Beard’s Kennel provides 2 sets of vaccines before sending our pups home to help better protect them from disease. However, this is not a guarantee that your puppy can not get sick if not protected until all vaccines have been received.

**I HAVE PROVIDED A VET PASSPORT FROM MY VET WITH ALL VACCINE AND DEWORMING HISTORY! PLEASE TAKE THIS VET PASSPORT TO YOUR VET AND GIVE TO THEM FOR THEIR RECORDS!!!**

I understand that this puppy has been fed high quality **Victor Hi-Pro Plus dog food**. He or she needs to continue to be fed the same food, or one of equal quality to provide the best nutritional health. If you decide to change your puppy to a different brand of food, the change should be gradual and mixed with the current food the puppy is familiar with. However, this change could upset the puppy's stomach causing the puppy not to eat or possibly diarrhea. Your puppy has been on a feeding schedule of twice per day. We feed once in the morning and once in the afternoon. We put out food, allow the pups to eat for 15-20 minutes, then take the food away. This helps the pups not to overeat and helps with the potty-training process. In addition, providing a consistent schedule of feeding at the same time each day will help decrease food aggression in your puppy. In addition, we recommend interaction with your pup during feeding time, such as making your pup sit before placing feed in bowl, petting your pup’s snout and head while they are eating, feeding your puppy from your hands periodically, and offering a treat to your puppy then taking it away to show you control the food, not the dog. All these tips will help decrease future food aggression. During the potty-training process it is okay to limit water during the day if your pup is inside in a temperature-controlled environment. Limiting water consumption, especially a few hours before bedtime will aid in potty-training.

If your pet becomes infested with fleas, try to avoid flea shampoos with permethrin as this is a poison and can cause vomiting, seizures, and death. Bathe your puppy with a gentle puppy shampoo free from dyes or permethrin. Your puppy is now old enough to start a flea, tick, and heart-worm preventative and this is the best measure to protect internal and external parasites. Please discuss with your veterinarian the best medication for your puppy.

Schnauzers, Poodles, and Schnoodles have hair in their ears that are prone to hold moisture. To prevent frequent ear infections and yeast infections, keep the hair plucked from their ears. Our vet recommends after each bath, irrigate ears with alcohol to help dry up any moisture that may get caught in the ears from the bath. Your puppy has had multiple baths, ears cleaned and irrigated, nails trimmed, and genital areas trimmed. Proper hygiene is very important in preventing health complications.

This puppy is in good health to the best of our knowledge. Your puppy is up to date on de-worming and vaccinations at the time of purchase. Factors may arise such as changes in weather and environment that can affect your puppy just like humans, causing him or her to experience stomach upset, respiratory upset, along with socialization anxiety. Please don't hesitate to have your vet examine the puppy if you feel it’s needed. Once your puppy adjusts to its new home these should resolve. Please give your new puppy lots of love, attention, and praise to help with adjustment to the new surroundings.

All our adult parents are health tested through Embark. However, this is not a guarantee that each puppy will not develop an issue later in life. Multiple factors arise in the growth and development of each puppy such as environmental, diet, and external factors such as weight and exercise that can negatively affect your puppy’s health and growth into adulthood. In addition, the grandparents and great-grandparent’s health play a role in the health concerns for a puppy as well.

Common puppy issues include worms, coccidia, giardia, parasites, cherry eye, mites, hernias, hypoglycemia, demodex, stenotic nares, alopecia, undescended testicles, or temperament. All these issues are easily treated by your vet and come along with the responsibility of adopting a new puppy. We are not responsible for any issues listed above. However, we do the best job possible to prevent any issues with your new family member so he or she is happy and healthy when sent home.

We are not responsible for any vet costs incurred by you once the puppy leaves our facility. Once again, we do not guarantee the size or color of your pet. It is common for color variations to occur as puppies grow and mature.

The **MOST IMPORTANT** Issue when raising any new puppy is consistency in obedience training and socialization. This is a very intelligent and at time stubborn breed, and if not properly trained and socialized, can develop behavioral issues later in life. It is crucial you set boundaries for your puppy and correct unwanted behavior from the beginning. For the best results, the puppy should be placed in obedience training classes which provide the best start. However, the puppy needs all vaccines prior to starting an outside training facility for disease prevention. In pup attends a training class, I recommend a class that also trains the owner as well on how to continue the training at home. Consistency is key to your puppy’s success in training. Just placing your puppy in a training class, but not continuing the training at home will not suffice. Socialization is key to preventing unwanted aggression towards people. Take your puppy with you out in public once fully vaccinated. Make sure your puppy is around other dogs and children often to help in the socialization process.

Also, it is very important to consistently correct unwanted behaviors such as nipping and biting. Puppies should not be allowed to get away with unwanted behaviors as this will create a problem as they grow and will be harder to correct. In addition, if you have children young or old in the home, allow the kids to interact with the puppy daily. Teach the children the appropriate way to treat a dog and allow them to be involved in the training processes such as giving the dogs treats. However, always remember that dogs are animals that react and have boundaries set for the children as well in interacting with the dog.

Puppy training treats are ideal in the training process. We find that using pieces of the puppy’s kibble is great for training. Reward your pup for their success in potty training and obedience commands. We also **highly recommend** spaying or neutering your pup. This helps prevent unwanted behaviors dealing with dominance issues and aggression. It also prevents deadly cancers especially in females from uterine or ovarian cancer. In addition, neutering helps prevent prostate cancer in males.

Also, puppies develop through the first two years of their life. This is especially important regarding their hip development. Please be mindful not to let your puppy jump from high places such as stairs, out of cars, or any high surface as this can damage hip formation resulting in hip dysplasia later in life.

The breeder, Jason Barrett, has made every effort to answer all my questions about my new puppy. The puppy does appear to be in good health and condition when taken from the breeder's home. The breeder is available after the sale for any needed advice or questions that may arise.

Enjoy your new baby! Please remember he/she is leaving everything it knows, so be patient and understand if your fur baby is nervous or not yet playful. Once he/she feels safe and secure, you will see the wonderful puppy you have hoped for and fall in love.

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