

# Rocking Diamond B Aussies

## (Adoption Application)

All information on this form will be kept strictly confidential. We only ask these questions to assure that our puppies go to loving, stable, forever homes. This is only the application to begin the process the contract will come afterwards.

Date:

Name(s):

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Home Phone or Cell Phone:

Email:

- Do you RENT or OWN?
  - What kind of house is it? Trailer, Apartment, Condo?
  - If renting do you have permission from your landlord?
  - If you move and dogs are not allowed what would you do with the dog?
- Have you had a puppy before? If yes what breed?
  - Is this puppy for the family or a gift? If so does everyone want it?
- Do you have a regular Veterinarian? Please include their info below:
  - Vet or Clinic Name:  
  
Address:  
  
Phone:
- Do you have a fully fenced yard that is safe for the puppy?
- Do you have a kennel run?
- If you do not have one of the above how do you plan to exercise or potty your dog?
- Do you have a crate or intend to crate train your puppy?
- How do you plan to house your new puppy?
- If outdoors will you have an insulated dog house or warm/cool shelter?
- How many hours a day will the dog/puppy be left alone?

- Where will it be left when no one is supervising?
- Who is responsible for caring for the dog?
- Do you have visitors, other family members, or animals who will be around the puppy frequently? If children what ages?
- Do you have an active or passive lifestyle? How do you expect your puppy to fit into that lifestyle?
- Do you intend to do any activities with your dog? Pet, Hunting, Herding, Guard, Obedience, Therapy, Show, Other(explain)?
- Will you attend obedience or puppy classes?
- Are you prepared for normal puppy activity such as chewing, digging, scratching, biting, housetraining, etc? Are you willing to be committed to taking care of the dog for the next 10-15 years of its life?
- It can take several months for your puppy to adjust to its new home. How will you deal with this?
- Do you have the time, patience, love and physical ability to deal with the requirements of a puppy? How will you reprimand your puppy?

**Please list the animals you have owned in the last 5 years  
(if more than 4 please explain)**

	Animal #1	Animal #2	Animal #3	Animal #4
Animal kind/ breed/ name				
Age when acquired				
Sex	Male Female	Male Female	Male Female	Male Female
Spayed or Neutered?	Yes No	Yes No	Yes No	Yes No
Where does this animal stay? ie: in the house, outside in yard, kennel, garage, etc.				
Still With You	Yes No	Yes No	Yes No	Yes No
If you no longer have this animal, why? Lost, accident, put to sleep, died, how and why?				

- What would cause you to return the puppy to Rocking Diamond B Aussies?

- Do you understand that IF you return your puppy to Rocking Diamond B Aussies you will be reimbursed AFTER the puppy has been rehomed and all expenses for re-homing and care will be deducted from your refund. You are NOT guaranteed to receive your entire purchase price back when returning a puppy/dog.
  - Yes                      Initials:
  
- What is the name or description of the puppy you are interested in?
  
- How did you find us?
  
- Prices for our puppies vary. A puppy can be reserved with a \$500 NON refundable deposit which may be made by check. The remaining amount is due in cash when puppy is picked up or delivered. If the puppy is being shipped the payment must be made/clear the account 5 days before the puppy is shipped.
  - Initials:

All information will be kept confidential.

I certify that all information on this form is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Australian Shepherd Facts You Need To Know:**

Please initial at the end of each bullet to insure you have read and understand.

(If you don't know about the facts/ info please ask!)

- ❖ Are you aware that Australian Shepherds should not have certain medications do to the MDR1 gene?
  - ❖ Ex: Ivomec, Heartgard, Acepromazine (this information will be included in the puppy packet)
    - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ An Aussie's coat should never be shaved. (a trim is ok)
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Aussies are herders and may nip heels and knock down children.
  - ❖ May also want to chase cars, people, and livestock
    - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Do you know what will happen if you breed a merle dog to another merle dog?
  - ❖ At least 25% of puppies will be hearing and/or vision impaired their whole life.
    - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ It is very important for the puppy to get all the necessary immunizations for its age. The puppy should not be taken to public areas, where other dogs immunization history is unknown, until the puppy has had all necessary immunizations.
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Do not breed two natural bob tailed Aussies together.
  - ❖ You can ask your breeder about your dog's tail or you can have a genetic test ran to tell you if your dog carries that gene.
    - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Aussies tend to be very vocal.
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Usually a couch potato life is not a life for an Aussie. They need plenty of exercise!
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Exercise is good! Too much and too little exercise can have a bad effect on the joints.
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ During teething puppy ears may get a little wonky!
  - ❖ Taping/ Gluing ears (while not recommended) can help correct it and/or they may correct on their own.
    - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Dogs (and pups) need to be on heartworm prevention all year round!
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Trick and obedience training is important, but so is socialization!
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Start handling their feet and trimming nails at an early age. It will help out in the long run!
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ We recommend crate training.
  - ❖ Even if you plan on not using the crate long term, having them know the crate is an okay place will be important if they need to stay at a vet, have company over, or in case of an emergency.
    - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Aussies shed twice a year for 6 months at a time.
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ Prepare to never have privacy again!
  - Intial \_\_\_\_\_