

Oodles West

Guardianship Program

Staying in the Family

Occasionally Oodles West likes to choose a pup we think may have potential, however, because space is tight and we don't believe in raising pups in a kennel environment, we decided to open a Guardianship program - where all our dogs can live as part of a loving family, within a home environment. In an effort to expand our breeding program, we will occasionally offer dogs, both male and female, in a Guardianship program. This means we have the opportunity to improve the breed by keeping valuable breeding stock close at hand but still have them grow up in happy healthy family homes.

What is a Guardianship

Puppies, young adults or adults are offered for an adoption fee to our guardian homes. 50% of this fee will be refunded at the end of the breeding contract when the dog has completed its breeding program. Puppies that go to an Oodles West Guardian home have a shorter than usual breeding career than most other breeding programs. After they have completed their breeding career of usually 2-3 litters for the girl and an agreed upon number of matings for a boy, our guardian family will then keep the dog for the rest of their life. If no matings are arranged prior to the dog turning 6 years of age, the dogs ownership will revert to a sale and all paperwork will be transferred to the guardian. No refund will be given under these circumstances.

Microchip and ownership registration of the dog will be with Oodles West until after the dog is desexed at the end of their contract.

- Day to day expense, feeding the correct food and regular Veterinary care will be the responsibility of the Guardian Family.
- Breeding expenses and health testing related to breeding will be the responsibility of Oodles West.
- If Oodles West decide not to breed with the dog, then it will be de-sexed at your expense and will remain your forever family dog. See above
- Oodles West will not hold the Guardian liable for **accidental** death, injury or illness which renders the dog unable to fulfil its obligations under this agreement.
- Oodles West will take the dog back and dissolve the agreement for any reason, no questions asked, if the guardian no longer wishes to keep the dog.

How to qualify as an Oodles West Guardian

- Be willing to feed what we feed our dogs and follow Oodles West breeder's recommendations for the dog's basic health care and veterinarian care, such as vaccine schedules, the use of certain medications, etc. and emergency care as needed.
- The primary caregiver must have a schedule that will not cause the dog to be left home alone for long periods of time on a regular basis.
- No other intact dogs of the opposite sex should ever be on the premises to prevent unwanted mating.
- You need to live within 100 kms of Perth. No anticipated job transfers that remove the dog beyond this 100 km radius, until the dog is six years old or spayed or neutered or both parties agree to it in writing.
- You need to be willing to enforce basic obedience either through formal class training or training at home. You need to limit certain types of exercise until the dog is 12 months old.
- You need to have a physical full height fence around your property, to make sure the dog remains safe.
- You need to be willing to openly communicate with Oodles West about any matter related to the dog, allow us to occasionally visit your home at a mutually convenient time and send monthly reports on the dog's progress as well as photos.
- You need to be willing to work with us to complete health testing; in most cases you will be able to take the dog to a local Vet for the testing. Testing may include hips, eyes, cardiac, & blood test.

Your Responsibility Owning a Groodle

Female

1. May be required to produce up to three litters, unless both parties agree otherwise.
2. You need to be willing to work with us to coordinate the breeding of your female, by doing simple progesterone tests to determine the optimum time for breeding. If the breeding technique is to be an AI (Artificial Insemination), we may ask that you take her to our specialist Vets for the procedure; this will allow you to keep her with you until closer to her whelp date. For a Natural breeding, you will need to be willing to work with us to organise transportation to the stud. We want our dogs to remain with you as much as possible.
3. During her gestation period, you will need to keep in close contact with us. You need to agree to limit taking her to any public dog places such as a park to limit the chance of possible infection.
4. Understand and agree that females will need to come back to us a few days prior to the end of her gestation period, to give birth at our home, unless otherwise agreed by both parties. If whelping at your home, the breeder is to be informed immediately whelping begins so they can be present.
5. Females will spend 3-6 weeks with the breeder after giving birth or as soon as she has weaned her pups and then will be returned to you. You would be welcome to visit her and her puppies at any time during her stay.
6. After a maximum of 3 litters the dog will be spayed and will then stay with you in their forever home.
7. Oodles West will retain sole breeding rights to this dog.

Male

1. Will be neutered at around six years old or at the end of the breeding contract.
2. You need to be willing to work with us to coordinate studing the males. We may ask that you take the dog to our specialist Vet for collection of semen if AI is required, this will allow the dog to stay with you. We reserve the right to have this dog's semen collected and frozen for breeding purposes; Understand that in some cases we will want to use the dog for a natural breeding and may need to house a breeding bitch from time to time during the mating process.
3. Oodles West will retain sole breeding rights to this dog.

THE MOST IMPORTANT REQUIREMENT IS THAT YOU LOVE THIS BUNDLE OF JOY AS A CHERISHED MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY!

If you are interested in becoming a Guardian to one of our puppies, young adults or adults, for more information, please email oodleswest@gmail.com.