

## **American Sentinel K9, LLC's Purchase Agreement**

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Thank you for your interest in purchasing a dog from American Sentinel K9, LLC. We look forward to maintaining a productive relationship with our clients and dog/pups that we sell. Owning any dog is a major responsibility; however, this is even more true when dealing with protection dogs. Responsible ownership, husbandry, management, and appropriate handling are all essential, and we do what we can to offer helpful tips to our clients when assistance is needed. That said, just as it is up to us to know our limitations as a breeder, it is up to each client to know their limitations as an owner and caretaker of a canine. While we carefully screen potential clients, it is ultimately up to people to inform themselves, to govern their own behaviors, and to carefully consider the responsibilities of owning a dog prior to obtaining one. We care about our dogs extensively, so we ask our clients to carefully consider the commitment of owning a working companion guardian before buying one of our dogs. If you are not prepared to own and care for a dog for ten to fifteen years, then please stick with "stuffed animals."

### **Our Policy on Waiting Lists, Reserved Selections, & Deposits**

We require a non-refundable \$1000 deposit to reserve a specific puppy or dog. Once a deposit is received, then a client may specify which position of the remaining available positions they wish to reserve. If a pup in the selection position of a specified gender from the client's preferred breeding is not available for whatever reason (not enough born, did not survive, etc), a client may transfer their deposit towards the purchase of any alternate pup available from a future breeding, or simply maintain their deposit as "unspecified" until dog or pup of their choosing becomes available. As a breeder of working-class dogs, we report our observations of each prospect's potential performance as a working dog. We rank the puppies based upon our observations and then make recommendations based upon a client's requests, our reservation/selection process allows each client the right to choose whichever puppy they desire after the previous selections have been made. While we will try to honor one's color preferences, please understand that since selections are made respectively to the reserved pick order, we cannot guarantee the requested color of the dog. If getting a particular color is a top priority of yours, then be prepared to commit to selecting the first pick position of a particular breeding.

All deposits are non-refundable; therefore, we request that our clients do not send in a deposit or purchase a dog from American Sentinel K9, LLC unless they are sure of their decision, acknowledge the commitment necessary of owning a working-class dog, and fully accept this responsibility. When a client is 100% committed to making their reservation official, only then should they place their deposit to make a reservation for a specific dog or a selection position for a specific gender from a specified breeding. All outstanding balance must be paid in full either when or before the dog is picked up or shipped. If a breeding is unsuccessful, deposits may be transferred to a future breeding of the client's choice. Should a client cancel or fail to pay the outstanding balance prior to the agreed upon delivery or pickup date (for pups, this is at approximately 8 weeks of age), then that client forfeits their deposit unless other arrangements have been made and agreed upon by American Sentinel K9, LLC.

### **Methods of Payment Accepted by American Sentinel K9, LLC**

After a client is sure they wish to proceed, payment may be made by CashApp, postal money order, a bank certified check, or by cash. Unfortunately, we do not have the means to process a credit card payment. If you are unsure of your ability to complete your financial obligation to finalize your purchase, please do not request that we reserve a dog for you. Owning a dog for a lifetime is a major responsibility and involves considerable financial commitment. It is up to each client to know their financial limitations, so please be sure to have thought this out well before purchasing a dog.

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

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

### **Puppy Selections are to be "Finalized" at 7 Weeks of Age**

Photos of pups may only contain "group litter shots" for the first few weeks, as pups are too small the first few weeks to determine any type of performance measure. Video evaluations of the pups will begin around 5-8 weeks of age. I share my observations in those videos and also make recommendations to the clients based upon their needs. As a courtesy to all of our clients, we require that picks be finalized once the pups are 7 to 7 ½ weeks of age. This requirement is to ensure that each client knows in a timely manner exactly which pup they will be receiving. All dogs and pups are dewormed and vaccinated before leaving American Sentinel K9, LLC; however, it is a client's responsibility to maintain any necessary scheduled dewormings and vaccinations.

### **Pickup or Shipping a Dog or Pup from American Sentinel K9, LLC (domestic only!)**

Clients are welcome to visit or to pick up their dog at American Sentinel K9, LLC. When needed, we can assist in arranging ground K9 transport for most areas within the continental United States; however, please note shipping is an additional expense and therefore is not included in the price of the pup or dog. The fee for K9 transport varies depending upon the size of the dog and as well as the distance to the shipping destination. In some cases, domestic air freight shipping may be available for canines; however, this service requires a veterinarian for an official a health certificate and the purchase of a crate with attached food and water bowls. Additionally, air freight of canines requires pre-approval, and even after pre-approval the airlines can deny the shipping of the pup or dog once at the airport. As a result, we cannot guarantee an airline will accept the shipping of your dog or pup. For these reasons, I prefer to not use air freight for canines at this time. Should a client proceed with this option, they do so at their own risk, and of course, we welcome our clients to make their own shipping arrangements should they wish to do so. Due to an increase in the exportation regulations of live animals, we no longer export dogs internationally. Should an international client desire one of our dogs, they must accept responsibility and liability for any and all requirements.

### **Details about Ear Cropping (\$400 additional charge)**

Erect ears improve the health and hearing of mammals, and as a result they are seen in all wild mammals. If your puppy is between 7-12 weeks, we can schedule an ear cropping with our veterinarian and help you have this procedure done on your behalf. The fee for this service is \$400; however, there are a few terms here that you must first understand. First, whenever any procedure involving anesthesia is done, the veterinarian informs you that you must understand and accept the risks. We are just your legs here, and if you refuse to accept this risk then we recommend leaving the ears as they are or that you have this procedure done by your veterinarian. Our veterinarian has performed this procedure on hundreds of our puppies and not once has our veterinarian lost one of our dogs. That said, even though the risks are not obsolete, we have no reservations about having the ears cropped on all our personal animals. Secondly, we will tell the veterinarian what length ear crop you have, but understand, the procedure is permanent, and what you get is what you get. If you feel like the ears must be exactly this or that, then we recommend your veterinarian performs this service.

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## **Agreement on Rehoming a Dog from American Sentinel K9, LLC**

Should any client of American Sentinel K9, LLC get into a situation that renders them unable or unwilling to care for a dog from American Sentinel K9, LLC, that client agrees to provide American Sentinel K9, LLC the opportunity to receive that dog back and that client agrees to cover any necessary shipping costs required to return that dog should that become necessary. Should a client find an alternate appropriate home for the dog, the client agrees to notify American Sentinel K9, LLC get our approval before the dog is relocated. As a responsible breeder, we wish to ensure that our dogs to have good homes, and therefore we reserve the right to screen potential owners of the dogs we produce. Failure to notify and obtain approval from American Sentinel K9, LLC of any rehoming/relocation violates the purchase agreement between American Sentinel K9, LLC and the client.

"No kill" animal shelters typically place dogs in very limited living quarters. These facilities generally lack personnel with the knowledge, skill, or equipment required to properly assess working dogs, and as a result they are also generally incapable of properly screening or counseling potential new owners about such dogs. I wish to prevent this from happening with dogs produced by American Sentinel K9, LLC, as we seek great lives for our dogs. When a dog goes back to the breeder, the breeder can then re-evaluate the dog before the dog is rehomed. Also, in some cases, dogs develop back habits in some homes or situations. The breeder is generally most capable at pairing each dog with the right home.

All clients that purchase a dog/pup(s) from American Sentinel K9, LLC accept these terms regardless of written or verbal acknowledgement or completion of this purchase agreement.

## **American Sentinel K9, LLC Guarantee**

American Sentinel K9, LLC offers a limited replacement guarantee on the "working class" dogs produced by American Sentinel K9, LLC for the first two years of the dog's life. We guarantee such dogs to be free from genetic defects, pending the dog has never been bred. This guarantee does not include any required shipping costs to replace said dog or pup. Also, please understand cannot guarantee a dog from environmental conditions, such as injuries, contagious disease, malnutrition, or neglect, as these things are to be prevented by the client. As a breeder of working dogs, it is our duty to produce dogs of suitable genetic quality; however, it is the client's duty to ensure that they do their part to provide the dog with the care it needs to maintain good health and proper development.

For this guarantee to be valid, our clients must take their dog or pup to a licensed veterinarian within 72 hours after arrival for a general health exam. This ensures protects all parties involved and ensures that there is no confusion that our clients received a healthy dog or puppy at the time of delivery. Many diseases have an incubation period of only 3-5 days. We recommend staying away from dog parks where not only irresponsible owners are often found, but canine diseases are also very rampant. We also recommended to avoid canine training areas until the dog is fully vaccinated. The last thing we want is for a new owner to expose their dog to environmental contagions that threaten the dog's well-being.

Once the above obligations are fulfilled, should any working-class dog sold by American Sentinel K9, LLC have a genetic fault that negatively affects the health or structural soundness of the animal within the dog's first two years of life, we agree to supply a replacement pup upon the return of the original dog, that is as long as the original dog has not been bred. Any necessary shipping expenses required for the fulfillment of this guarantee are the responsibility of the client (buyer). Since the American Sentinel canine is required to be a healthy, high-performance dog, our guarantee is void if the dog has been bred. All clients that purchase a dog or pup from American Sentinel K9, LLC accept these terms regardless of written or verbal acknowledgement or completion of this purchase agreement.

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

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

# American Sentinel K9, LLC

171 Sand Hill Cove - Brandon, MS 39047

## Client Information Sheet

<b>Client's signature:</b>	
<b>Date of contract:</b>	
<b>Printed name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Phone numbers:</b>	
<b>Email address:</b>	
<b>Dog or breeding(s) of interest:</b>	1.
	2.
<b>Grade (circle one) &amp; price:</b>	<b>Working prospect</b> <u>or</u> <b>Pet class</b> \$ _____
<b>Sex preference (circle one):</b>	<b>Male</b> / <b>Female</b> / <b>No preference</b>
<b>Color preference (color is not guaranteed):</b>	<b>Color:</b> _____

1. What is most desired and needed from your dog?
2. Children should practice good judgement around dogs and should not be left with dogs unsupervised. Do you understand that any dog, no matter its size, can harm a child?
3. Describe the environment the dog is expected to live in (inside, outside, temperature)?
4. What type of activity will the dog have on a regular basis?
5. Will the dog be expected to live with or be left unattended with other animals or dogs of the same gender? (Describe)
6. Please give us your vet clinic's name, phone number and/or fax number.  
Clinic: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

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