

***Northwoods Dobermans***

***Updated Policy on Safety Measures***

***And In- Person Visits***

***“The Doberman Breeding Community has been deeply affected by a recent tragedy in Colorado. This heartbreaking event has prompted Northwoods Dobermans reconsider our approach to in-person visits carefully.”*** (08/31/24)

 ***As a family-based breeding program where Our dogs are part of our household, we previously welcomed visitors with trust. However, the senseless killing of a fellow breeder and the theft of their prized puppies led me to remove our address and suspend in-person visits.***

***This incident has left me shaken, and I've come to realize that it's crucial to prioritize not only both the dogs' health and safety but, my family's security as***

***We’ve always maintained strict standards for puppy health and had a network of security cameras for protection. But, despite this, I've felt compelled to introduce additional procedural changes, which are detailed below. So that we can safely allow in person visits again.***

***The initial step requires the following:***

* ***A fully executed Puppy Application***
* ***A copy of your driver's license, with the correct address***
* ***A video chat is necessary, for identity verification and to address any questions.***
* ***When you are Approved for in-person visits, we need the following:***
1. ***About your vehicle: Make, Model, Color and License Plate***
2. ***About the attendees: Names, ages and number of those coming to visit, including all children.***
3. ***We schedule visits in one-hour increments, Thereby offering flexibility while reserving some time frames as unavailable.***
4. ***Our address will be shared on the eve of your visit.***

***We Truly Appreciate All of Your Referrals but, we do request that when you share our contact information, that you DO NOT include our physical address.***

***As a reminder, please be aware that we have implemented an updated security system, which includes video and audio recordings throughout our premises. This measure is in place to ensure the safety and security of all individuals visiting our facility. We would like to reiterate that the presence of weapons of any kind on our property is STRICTLY PROHIBITED!***

***We appreciate your cooperation in adhering to these important guidelines. Thank you for helping us maintain a secure environment for everyone.***

***To ensure the safety and well-being of our puppies,***

***we have established specific guidelines for in-person visitations:***

***We will welcome visitors when our adorable puppies are 4 weeks old, and in the interest of their health, we kindly request that all guests adhere to the following procedures:***

* ***We require that NO unvaccinated dogs or dogs from outside your household have been visited within 72 hours before your arrival.***
* ***We kindly ask that NO other pets be brought along.***
* ***To maintain a clean environment, we request that all guests do the following:***
1. ***Bring an extra shirt to change into BEFORE handling the puppies,***
2. ***Wash their hands thoroughly beforehand.***
3. ***Remove their shoes AT the door.***
* ***Sanitizing procedures will be MANDATORY to prevent the spread of any potential viruses.***
* ***We warmly welcome families, but respectfully ask for prior approval if children under 10 will be accompanying you. For the safety of the puppies, children are NOT permitted to carry or pick them up, and only immediate family members are permitted to attend, except in the case of the pick-up appointment. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in maintaining a safe and nurturing environment for our beloved puppies.***