

Astra Border Collie Puppies

PUPPY SALES CONTRACT

Covering the sale of a puppy/puppies from Astra Sheepdogs Ltd., York Farm, Shipton, Much Wenlock TF13 6QW, UK.

Purchaser name and address:

1. When you purchase your puppy from us at eight to ten weeks of age, you are assured of a puppy who:

- is from [ISDS-registered](#) parents
- has been DNA disease tested for the common breed conditions
- has been reared inside our busy home for best socialisation opportunities
- has been raw fed; pups are also introduced to dry kibble if they will not feed raw.

2. The price you pay includes the following:

- a. **Microchip with AVID registration**
- b. Puppies **reared inside our busy home** for best socialisation opportunities
- c. **Veterinary health check** at eight weeks of age.
- d. **Deworming** of the puppies every two weeks, including deworming the mother two weeks prior to whelping and every time the pups are done.
- e. **Four weeks free insurance** from the date of collection. We strongly suggest you take out insurance (or extend the existing cover) to help you protect the pup when this expires.
- f. **First vaccination** with [Versican Plus DHPPi](#) and Lepto. Your puppy will require re-vaccination at 11-12 weeks.
 - i. **Please note:** until the Titre levels are tested and confirmed that they give adequate protection, nobody can guarantee your puppy will not get parvo due to undetermined MAB (maternal antibodies) which may still be present and interfering with vaccination uptake. We strongly suggest running [Vaccination Titre testing](#) at 16 to 17 weeks to ensure the puppy vaccinations have worked. (See also: [WSAVA vaccination guidelines](#).)
- g. **Socialisation versus vaccination** [schedule and resulting cover](#).

- h. **FREE access** to 10-week ONLINE training course (RRP £499.00)
- i. Additional Online training courses for the Adolescent dog and Reactive Dog and Trick Dog will be at 50% reduction on RRP of £499.00 per course.
- j. An extensive **Puppy Instruction Manual**, containing guidance, advice and loads of information, video and articles covering puppy health, growth, and puppy training.
- k. **Free email help and advice** for the life of the dog.
- l. Reduced rates for our **Sheepdog Training** class for you and your Astra collie
- m. Reduced rates for our **one-to-one behavioural guidance and obedience training**.

3. ISDS (International Sheepdog Society) registration

The purchase price includes [ISDS registration](#) as follows:

- a) We guarantee that the pup will be registered with the ISDS and that the Sire and Dam details provided are correct if tested by DNA parentage or profile. We do not guarantee at point of sale/collection that the pup will be registered into your own name – see point c below.
- b) Puppies will only be registered if you provide a full, traceable and legitimate postal address. A P.O Box number is not sufficient.
- c) You have the opportunity to name the pup according to the rules of the ISDS. The pup will be named ASTRA [YOUR CHOSEN NAME]. The name must be indicative of gender, it must be short and capable of being used in work or daily life. We give you a short time (six months) to get to know the pup so that its name is well suited to its character and to everyday use. Please note the following:
 - i. Because all the owners of pups in the litter will be able to name their pup, we can only apply for registration once **all** owners have notified us of their choice of name. ISDS will charge a hefty fine for late registration, so if you have not advised us of your choice of name before the pup is six months old, we will contact you and ask for immediate notification by email.
 - ii. The registration name cannot be changed once we have submitted the litter registration application to the ISDS. Therefore, if we have not been notified by email of your choice of name for your puppy, we will provide a registered name of our own choosing. In this case, at the time of submitting the ISDS registrations, we will also register that puppy under our own name.
 - iii. In this instance, the registration certificate will then be retained by us. When you contact us confirming that the puppy is alive and well and that you are still residing at the same address indicated on your application form, we will transfer the registration into your name on payment of the transfer fee. This is to prevent the registration certificate being lost or stolen.

- d) We are not responsible for any loss or extra costs if you fail to notify us of any change of address. If the certificates are lost in the post you will need to apply to the ISDS for the re-issue of the certificate and pay the requested fees.
- e) In the case of any dispute, if you cannot provide evidence or other details requested by us within a specified time, causing a delay in our ability to provide a mutual solution to that dispute, we will not be held responsible for any failure to register your puppy with the ISDS, nor will we be responsible for any additional costs incurred regarding registrations/transfers made, or any other matter, if that dispute is not dealt with to completion.
- f) If there is any type of ongoing dispute with us at the time of submitting the ISDS registrations, in order to facilitate a timely registration process for all concerned, we may still decide to register that puppy under our own name but cannot guarantee we will register the puppy at all. If we do register the pup in our name, the registration certificate will then be retained by us and only transferred into your name at no cost once any dispute is settled, providing you have sent us the requested information in reasonable time.
- g) Should your puppy die, for any reason, before the age of six months or before you receive your ISDS registration document, you must submit proof of death for our records and those of the ISDS Stud Book.

The above has been put in place to protect the integrity of the ISDS registration certificates, and the best course of practice covered by the Sale of Goods Act, and to make the life of scammers and fraudsters harder.

4. Kennel Club registration

All our puppies are currently eligible for **UK Kennel Club registration on the Full Breed Register** (this also makes them eligible for FCI, AKC, ABCA and other world recognised Kennel Club Stud books).

If you wish your pup to be KC registered, a fee of £17.00 will apply. You cannot apply for a FULL breed Kennel Club registration UNTIL the ISDS registration is issued. We will supply the completed forms after we have registered your pup with the ISDS.

If you apply to register your puppy with the Kennel Club we must sign as the breeder and agree to the name you use. The ISDS registered name must appear FIRST.

- For example, if the ISDS name is ASTRA JIM, you may make the Kennel Club name ASTRA JIM CHERU DOO (or whichever name you chose).

Do not register your pup on the working register – you will not be able to change this to the Full Breed register at a later date.

5. Possible breeding and export restrictions

Please be aware that we reserve the right to place breeding restrictions and export restrictions on your puppy. This will only be done by mutual agreement, and the restrictions may be lifted by us at any time, also by mutual agreement (additional fees will usually apply).

If you are intending to breed, please read [the relevant section on our website](#). We are happy to provide free advice and information about our breeding partnership opportunities.

6. When things go wrong (under six months)

The '[Lucy's Law' regulations](#) prohibit anyone selling a puppy under the age of 6 months without the mother being present. This is to prevent the sale of sick or unsocialised puppies who have been taken from their mother too early. Astra Sheepdogs Ltd obviously adheres to these regulations, and we strive to ensure our pups are happy and healthy when you take them home.

However, if you feel your puppy is ill or unsocialised, we guarantee to take him/her back for any reason up to the age of six months. We will check the puppy's health with our vet, along with assessing his/her training, behaviour and socialisation levels within two weeks of the pup being returned to us.

Any retraining or behavioural work required to ensure the puppy is again able to be rehomed with an average family will be charged out at £30.00 per hour. Board and lodging fees while this work is carried out will be charged at £15.00 per day. These costs will be deducted from any sale price achieved when the pup is rehomed.

If more than one month's worth of rehabilitation or vet fees over £500.00 are incurred, you will not be entitled to any compensation.

Alternatively, when you return your puppy to us, we may be able to assess the puppy from his/her behaviour and demonstration of training on your own videos. In this case we could give you reasonable compensation immediately (part or full purchase price only). This will take into account our estimate of what it will cost us to prepare the pup for suitable rehoming as quickly as possible.

An independent assessor may be called in the case of dispute.

If you find a home for your puppy you must ensure that person is acceptable to us as an owner, and that you did not charge them for the puppy under the age of 6 months. No transfer of liability will be acceptable to us in any event.

7. If circumstances change

Should your circumstances change, and you are unable to keep your Astra collie, we will guarantee to take him/her back at any stage of his/her life, for any reason. We would not normally offer compensation, as our objective is to prevent the dog from being euthanised or being placed into a rescue centre or an unsuitable home.

This includes situations where you are unable to handle or take care of your puppy due to aggression, fear or any other reason. We will give him/her every chance to be rehabilitated and found a suitable home.

However, if you still wish to resell your Astra Dog, we **reserve the right to FIRST REFUSAL to purchase**. This will be agreed at no more than the average market value for the dog, calculated at the time when you wish to re-sell.

Should we withdraw our right to purchase, we will still guarantee to be available to help with free advice and offer a reasonable amount of free re-training in order to help find the dog a suitable home. The new owner is also always welcome to return the dog back to us, for no compensation, for any reason.

8. Health and welfare of your puppy.

We have made every effort possible to ensure you receive a healthy, well socialised puppy.

We will not knowingly breed from a bitch or dog with a life threatening or life changing genetic fault, or who are not themselves fit and healthy with good basic stable temperaments.

We have ensured that our puppies are born to mating's which are COI (Coefficient of Inbreeding)-breed average or below average, to ensure as few as possible genetic health issues which currently cannot be tested for.

We will also provide free email and telephone help and advice throughout the life of your puppy and provide a comprehensive Puppy Instruction Manual before you collect him/her. This has been written with the benefit of many years' experiences to help you avoid numerous common obedience and behaviour problems.

However, your puppy is a living animal and, like all animals, is subject to various and numerous internal and external forces which are outside a breeder's direct control once the puppy leaves us.

Therefore, we cannot offer any guarantee that many otherwise common or uncommon conditions will not occur, or offer compensation, or have any responsibility for the day-to-day care of your dog.

The only conditions we can offer guarantees against are those which are testable, preventable, or identified and treatable, within a reasonable time prior to the bitch being mated, during gestation or whilst the mother and her puppies are in our direct care.

Should you believe that we could have done something additional to prevent a disorder, death or behavioural issue, or any other condition valid under the Sale of Goods Act, please let us know in writing, so we can work with our vet to try and find a solution for your personal concern and to make you and your puppy feel better.

Please be aware that these claims must be substantiated by detailed veterinary reports, invoices or tests, or other professional sector evidence which will then be verified by our own experts in each matter. Without this evidence we cannot determine if we are legally, or even ethically, responsible. **We certainly cannot continue to improve or prevent future issues.**

Each case is different and your polite and helpful input will be much appreciated and will be treated accordingly.

Additional Notes:

Contract acceptance

Both parties should sign below once the sale has been agreed, and keep a copy for their records

For Astra Sheepdogs Ltd

Name Date.....

Signature

For the purchaser

Name..... Date

Signature