

NEW PUPPY APPLICATION

PROSPECTIVE BUYER INFORMATION

* Name:
* Address:
* Home and/or Cell Phone:
* Employer:
* Work Phone/extension #:
* E-mail address:

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Why do you want a dog? How did you learn about Australian shepherds & why do you want this breed?
2. Are you acquiring a dog for yourself or for someone else? If for someone else, are they aware of your intentions? How does your partner or spouse feel about the new addition?
3. Do you have children living with you or visiting regularly? If yes, please note gender and ages.
4. Who in your family will be primarily responsible for the new dog?
5. Do you have other pets? If yes, please list. Are they spayed/neutered?
6. Have you ever had to surrender a dog to a shelter or find one a new home? If yes, please explain? Do you agree that a pet is a lifetime commitment? Do you agree that you have plans in place to keep a puppy through moves, pregnancies, new kids, etc?

LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

1. Do you live in: apartment, house, mobile home, condo, other (please describe) Do you own or rent?

NOTE: If you rent, a signed letter from your landlord stating that dogs are permitted on his/her property must be received before a puppy will be placed with you. The Breeder reserves the right to contact the landlord before placing any puppy. Please provide your landlord’s contact information:

* Name:
* Phone:

1. In which type of area is your home located: Urban, suburban or rural? Please circle one. Describe?
2. Are there any dog restrictions or laws in your area? Have you checked into local ordinances in your area pertaining to owning/housing an animal (e.g., leash laws, required vaccinations, dog licenses, etc.)? Are you willing to comply?
3. Where will the dog spend its time when you are home & also when you’re away? Where will it sleep?
4. Approximately how long, each day, would your dog be left alone?
5. Have you ever used a crate trained a puppy or dog? Do you intend to use crate training for this dog?
6. In the event of emergency (e.g., hospitalization, natural disaster, etc.), who would take care of your dog?
7. Do you have a fenced yard? If no, please explain the arrangements you will provide for housebreaking & exercise.
8. May I visit your home if I choose to? If no, why not?

YOUR INTERESTS/GOALS

1. Do you prefer a male or female and is there a color preferred? Any specific temperament?
2. Are you prepared to spay/neuter your dog or are you interested in breeding?

\*If interested in breeding, we must discuss this before-hand and you must be pre-approved before placing deposit.

1. What are your goals for your dog? (Please circle) Breeding - Conformation/Showing - Obedience - Rally - Agility - Fly ball – Therapy or Assistance Dog – Herding – Tracking – Other (please specify)
2. What attributes have you observed in other Australian Shepherds you are hoping to achieve with your new puppy?

GROOMING, EXERCISE, AND TRAINING

1. Are you aware of the grooming requirements of the Australian Shepherd?
2. In addition to the normal routine at home, what activities will your dog have to enjoy?
3. Have you ever trained a dog? Attended training classes? If yes, please describe.
4. Are you aware of the socialization and training requirements of the Australian Shepherd? Are you prepared to spend time doing this?
5. How do you intend to obedience train your dog: On your own or with a club/trainer?
6. Have you ever experienced any behavior problems with past pets? If yes, how did you handle those?

VETERINARIAN INFORMATION / REFERENCES

1. If you have a veterinarian, please provide contact information below: Name, address, phone number please.
2. Are you financially prepared to give this dog a good quality of life? To finish its vaccinations, provide a monthly worm preventative? To provide flea/tick preventative? To provide *quality* dog food?
3. Are you prepared for the responsibility of caring for this dog for its entire life? Even in its old age?
4. Please supply a reference (dog trainer, Aussie owner, neighbor, etc.—not including immediate family) who knows you well enough to recommend you as a dog owner. List name and phone number.
5. What do you expect of me, your dog’s breeder? Do you have any questions for me? Would you be willing to commit to keeping in contact and allowing me to see the puppy grow throughout its life?
6. Is there any other information you would like for me to know, at this time? Any other questions for me?

**By signing this questionnaire, I affirm that all statements made above are true to the best of my knowledge. (If you are submitting this form via e-mail and you don’t know how to scan a signed copy, please type your name in the signature line for now. I do require a signed copy before placing the puppy.)**

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

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