

Backstromhus Puppy Questionnaire

In order to screen potential puppy owners, we ask that you fill out and return this questionnaire. It will serve 2 purposes: the first is to determine if German Shepherd puppy is right for you, and the second is to match the right puppy to the right owner. It is important to us that our puppies find the right home for the duration of their lifetime and that you are happy with your puppy.

We breed on a very limited basis, with a specific goal in mind. Our dogs are part of the family and we do our best to ensure they are loved for a lifetime.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____

Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work: _____

Email: _____

Occupation: _____

How did you hear about us?

Have you owned a German Shepherd before?

Why do you want a German Shepherd?

Can you afford not only the purchase, but to care for a dog for 10-15 years?

Will you buy pet insurance?

How do you plan to accommodate the puppy's needs for exercise, companionship, socialization and education?

Will your current family obligations allow time and opportunity to include the dog in your activities? _____

Is the family willing to include the dog in excursions and activities?

Do you prefer a Male, Female or are you undecided? Please circle your choice.

For what purpose are you purchasing your German Shepherd?

Family pet Companion Obedience Show SchH Please circle your choice.

Other: _____

Do all family members want a new puppy? _____

Do you have young children? _____ Ages: _____

Will the children be involved directly in the care and supervision of the dog?

Who will train the puppy? _____

Who will be in charge of the puppy's care? _____

Is this person home most of the day? _____

List previous dogs you have owned/ trained and where are these dogs now?

Do any family members have allergies to dogs? _____

Do any family members have psychological issues such as bi-polar disorder etc?

Do you own your home? _____

How long have you lived at this address? _____ Do you plan to move? _____

Do you rent your home? _____

If you rent, do you have written permission from your landlord to have a large dog?

Do you live in the city? _____ Country? _____

Do you have neighbours close to you? _____

Where will your puppy be kept during the day? _____

House Dogrun with doghouse Fenced yard with doghouse

Where will the puppy be kept at night?

House Dogrun with doghouse Fenced yard with doghouse

Would you consider chaining your dog outside? Yes No

Will the puppy have direct access to the house or next to the house?

Supervised entrance Dog Door

Do you have a securely fenced yard? Yes No

Kind, height, size _____

Do you have a kennel run? Yes No

Dimensions, type

Do you own a crate? Yes No

Will your puppy be raised as a member of the household? Yes No

Are you willing to spay/neuter your pet? Yes No

Do you presently own any other pets?

Type and ages: _____

Have you had to euthanize a dog before? Yes No

If yes, why? _____

Are you willing to groom, clean ears and trim nails on a regular basis? Yes No

Have you ever competed in obedience, tracking, conformation, etc?

Have you titled a dog? _____

Are you interested in training and competing? _____

What type of personality/characteristics are you looking for in a puppy/dog?

What do you **not** want in a puppy/dog? _____

Have you considered an older dog instead of a puppy? Yes No

Do you have any experience training/showing a puppy/dog?

Are you a member of any dog clubs or associations?

Do you plan to breed dogs? Yes No

Have you bred dogs before? Yes No

Why are you interested in breeding? _____

What activity level of puppy/dog are you looking for? _____

What kind of floor surface will the puppy be on in the home?

Have you ever housetrained a puppy before? _____

Have you ever returned a pet to a breeder? _____

Have you ever given a pet away? _____

Have you ever taken a pet to the dog pound or animal shelter?

Are you committed to care for this puppy/dog's needs for his lifetime? Yes No

Do you understand that the puppy will be on a non breeding agreement, unless placed in a show home? Yes No

Are you willing to sign a written contract, if approved, prior to the purchase?

Is anyone home during the day? How many hours per day will the puppy be left alone?
Is someone available to feed, water and exercise the puppy during the day?

Are you familiar with the use of dog crates in training?

What will happen to the dog in the event of a divorce or death?

Will you be attending any training classes? Yes No

Are you willing to provide the breeder with updates from time to time? Yes No

Are you willing to follow the breeder's advice on feeding and rearing the puppy?

Do you agree to return the puppy/dog to its breeder with signed registration/ non breeding/breeding agreement with no refund and at your expense if:

You are unable to care for the dog any longer
You no longer want the dog
You violate the written contract
An unforeseen tragedy would leave the dog homeless
Do you understand and agree to the above? Yes No

Please list 3 personal references with their contact information not living with you and not relations.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

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Please provide the name and number of your veterinarian.

Please provide any additional information that might help us find the right puppy/dog for you.

Do you understand this questionnaire will be part of the written contract at the time of sale? Yes No

Signature: _____

Name (print): _____

Date: _____