

Contract and Agreement Form

This contract states all obligations and circumstances to suggest and motivate an added layer of accepted responsibility by the seller and the buyer and is, therefore, a protection for the dog, the new owner, and the breeder.

The buyer shall provide the dog with adequate food, fresh water, shelter, affection, and medical care upon sickness, disease, or injury. Maintenance should include routine health exams and vaccinations as recommended by a board-certified veterinarian. Humane care and maintenance in accordance with all current and future state, county, and municipal laws and ordinances where the Buyer resides. A fully fenced yard or other humane means of exercise. The dog shall not be kept chained or living outdoors or detained in a home for long periods of time. A collar and identification tag and/or microchip. Never permit the dog to roam unattended.

Return to Breeder Clause

Life happens to the best of us, and a whole host of issues – illness, allergies, divorce, relocation, and financial problems, to name but a few – can make it impossible for an owner to continue keeping a dog, despite the best of intentions. No matter what the reason for the rehoming, the breeder/seller shall be notified. Even if your now-adult dog is going to live with another loving family or close friend, the breeder/seller will still know about any change of ownership.

While this might seem controlling, look at it from the breeder's perspective: In order to be responsible for every puppy we bring into the world, breeders need to make sure they are in loving, responsible hands. I, _____ agree to let the breeder/seller know if any problems or issues develop throughout the dog's life, as that is important information that will help guide any breeding program.

I, _____ hereby agree that the purchased puppy _____ on (date->) _____ is being adopted by me solely. I agree that I will not sell, give away, or dispose of the adopted dog to any individual, establishment, humane society, research lab, testing facility, kennel, or any other entity for any reason. If at a later date I am unable to keep this dog, I agree to contact the seller/breeder of the dog to inform and give the option to surrender/repossess the dog at no charge. By signing this I _____ have agreed to sign the necessary papers to return the Breeder as sole owner of the dog in the event the dog is returned.

Parties Agreement

In this act of good faith, I trust that the breeder has done her level best to produce a healthy, well-adjusted puppy, and the breeder is trusting that I will take care of our new family member to the best of my ability, hopefully, long enough to see its muzzle gray. Ideally, the breeder will be available every step of the way for questions, concerns and, at the very end, a shoulder to cry on. Buyer will send one annual photo of the dog.

This agreement/contract made on _____ between breeder and buyer is a binding contract.

Breeder/seller: _____

Buyer/owner: _____