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## PUPPY SALES CONTRACT

This Puppy Sales Contract ("Contract") is made and entered into by and between the Seller and the Buyer as identified below. The Seller agrees to sell, and the Buyer agrees to purchase, the puppy described herein. This Contract aims to outline the rights, responsibilities, and expectations of both parties in the sale of the puppy. It is designed to protect the well-being of the puppy and ensure a smooth transaction.

### IDENTIFICATION OF PARTIES

#### Seller:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E mail: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Buyer:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E mail: \_\_\_\_\_

The parties agree to notify each other of any changes to their contact information promptly.

### SALES AGREEMENT

Date of sale: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of delivery: \_\_\_\_\_

Terms:     Outright purchase

Co-ownership

Price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Deposit: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Balance Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Balance due on delivery)

## DESCRIPTION OF THE PUPPY

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:            Female            Male            Color: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ (Puppies must be 8 weeks or older before delivery)

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_ Dam: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed use of puppy/dog:            Pet or family companion            Breeding

Registration Details: \_\_\_\_\_ Microchip Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Litter Information: \_\_\_\_\_

## HEALTH GUARANTEE

The Seller guarantees that the puppy is in good health at the time of sale, free from any communicable diseases. The Buyer must take the puppy to a licensed veterinarian for a health check within [Timeframe] days of purchase. The Seller will provide the following vaccinations and deworming:

### Vaccination Record:

[Vaccination Type]: \_\_\_\_\_ (Date Administered): \_\_\_\_\_

[Vaccination Type]: \_\_\_\_\_ (Date Administered): \_\_\_\_\_

Deworming Record: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event that a veterinarian identifies any health issues within the specified timeframe, the Buyer must notify the Seller within [Notification Period] days. The Seller will provide the Buyer with the option to return the puppy for a full refund or replacement.

The health guarantee does not cover conditions arising after the sale due to neglect, improper care, environmental factors, or failure to seek timely veterinary care.

## RETURN POLICY

The Buyer may return the puppy under the following conditions:

- The puppy must be returned within [Return Timeframe] days of purchase.
- The puppy must be in the same condition as at the time of sale, including any original tags or identification.
- A return fee of [Return Fee] may apply to cover administrative costs.
- The Buyer must provide documentation from a veterinarian confirming the reason for return, if applicable.
- The Seller reserves the right to refuse returns if the puppy shows signs of neglect, abuse, or if the Buyer has not adhered to the terms of this Contract.

The return policy does not apply to behavioral issues that arise after the puppy is taken home, nor does it apply if the puppy is found to be in distress due to the Buyer's actions.

## SPAY/NEUTER AGREEMENT

The Buyer agrees to have the puppy spayed/neutered by a licensed veterinarian by [Deadline]. The Seller recommends that the procedure be performed no later than [Age Recommendation] months. The Buyer agrees to provide proof of the procedure to the Seller within [Timeframe for Proof Submission] after it has been completed.

Failure to comply with this agreement may result in penalties, including, but not limited to, additional fees or restrictions on breeding rights. The Buyer understands that breeding is not permitted unless expressly authorized by the Seller.

The Seller retains the right to request a follow-up on the spay/neuter procedure to ensure compliance with this agreement.

## TRAINING AND CARE REQUIREMENTS

The Buyer agrees to provide proper training and care for the puppy, including:

### Initial Training Recommendations:

- Obedience training within the first [Number of Months] months.
- Socialization classes recommended for puppies under [Age Recommendation].

### Basic Care Instructions:

- The Buyer is responsible for providing high-quality food appropriate for its age and breed. The Seller recommends brands such as [Brand Recommendations].
- Regular veterinary check-ups at least once every [Timeframe] months for vaccinations and overall health assessments.

### Socialization Requirements:

- The Buyer agrees to expose the puppy to various environments, people, and other animals to ensure healthy development, including [Examples of Socialization Opportunities].

The Buyer acknowledges that the puppy's behavior is a result of both genetics and environment and agrees to invest time and resources into the puppy's training and socialization.

## PHOTO RIGHTS

We enjoy receiving pictures and videos of our dogs once they are settled into their forever homes! The Breeder reserves the right to use any photos or videos of this puppy or dog for various purposes, including but not limited to advertising and promotional activities.

## BUYER RESPONSIBILITIES

The Buyer commits to:

- Providing a loving, safe, and healthy environment for the puppy, including adequate shelter, food, and clean water.
- Feeding the puppy high-quality food appropriate for its age and breed, as well as avoiding harmful foods and substances.
- Regularly exercising and socializing the puppy to promote good behavior and mental stimulation.
- Seeking veterinary care as needed and keeping up with vaccinations and health checks.
- Notifying the Seller of any significant changes in circumstances that may affect the puppy's well-being (e.g., moving, family changes).
- Following all local laws and regulations regarding pet ownership, including licensing, leash laws, and pet waste disposal.
- The Buyer understands that the welfare of the puppy is of utmost importance and agrees to take all necessary steps to ensure its health and happiness.

## LEGALITIES

The Breeder makes no warranties or guarantees, either express or implied, beyond what is explicitly stated in this agreement, including, but not limited to, any warranties of merchantability and fitness. This document represents the complete agreement between the Breeder and the Buyer regarding this sale. By signing below, the Buyer confirms that they have read, understood, and accepted all the terms of this Sales Agreement and Contract of Sale. Any disputes, mediation, or legal actions shall take place in Columbia County, Oregon. Both the Breeder and the Buyer agree to adhere to all provisions of this agreement.

## SELLER RESPONSIBILITIES

The Seller agrees to:

- Provide accurate information about the puppy, including its health, lineage, and any known behavioral issues.
- Provide copies of all relevant documentation, including health records, registration papers (if applicable), and any warranties.
- Assist the Buyer with any concerns or questions regarding the puppy for a period of [Support Period] after the sale.
- Offer guidance on training, care, and socialization as needed.
- The Seller retains the right to communicate with the Buyer for follow-ups on the puppy's progress and health for up to [Follow-Up Period] after the sale.

## LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

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## DISPUTE RESOLUTION

In the event of a dispute, both parties agree to attempt to resolve the matter through mediation before pursuing any legal action. If mediation is unsuccessful, either party may proceed with legal action in accordance with the governing law.

- **Mediation Process:** The parties agree to select a neutral mediator and share equally in the costs associated with mediation. The mediation will occur within [Mediation Timeframe] of notifying the other party of the dispute.
- **Legal Action:** If mediation fails, either party may pursue legal action in a court of competent jurisdiction, and each party will bear its own legal costs unless otherwise awarded by the court.

## INDEMNIFICATION

**Third-Party Claims:** The Buyer agrees to indemnify the Seller against any claims made by third parties arising from the puppy's actions or health status. This includes claims for property damage, injury, or any other damages incurred as a result of the puppy being in the Buyer's care.

## PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Both parties agree to keep all personal information confidential. The Buyer agrees not to disclose the Seller's personal information without prior written consent.

- **Data Protection:** Both parties agree to comply with applicable data protection laws. The Seller will not sell or share the Buyer's information with third parties without explicit consent.
- **Confidential Communication:** Any communication regarding the puppy, including health updates or behavioral concerns, will be kept confidential between the parties.

This confidentiality obligation will survive the termination of this Contract.

## KEEPING YOUR PUPPY SAFE

Please be aware that this puppy is not yet fully protected against contagious diseases until they have received all of their core vaccine boosters. Until then, it's important to avoid taking them to high-traffic areas frequented by dogs, such as dog parks, campgrounds, groomers, lakes, beaches, or dog-friendly stores like Home Depot and Lowe's. At the vet's office, your puppy should remain in a carrier or in your arms when not on the exam table.

Do not let them roam or sniff the clinic floors, and avoid allowing them on the grass outside the clinic, as the Parvo virus can survive on surfaces and in soil for over six months. Veterinary clinics are high-risk areas where sick dogs are commonly brought, so it's crucial to be extra cautious.

While it's important to keep your puppy away from public areas, do not isolate them completely until their vaccinations are complete at 16 weeks. The first four months of a puppy's life are crucial for socialization. During this time, they should meet new people, dogs, and be exposed to a variety of experiences. Take them out of your immediate family bubble to meet other dogs you know are safe and healthy.

Additionally, the Breeder strongly recommends enrolling your puppy in Puppy Training Classes at least one week after their 12-week appointment or second round of vaccine boosters. The same advice applies to taking walks in low-risk areas, such as your neighborhood.



## AMENDMENTS

Any amendments to this Contract must be made in writing and signed by both parties. Oral agreements or modifications will not be recognized.

- **Written Documentation:** All amendments should be attached as addenda to this Contract and referenced in the original document.
- **Notification of Changes:** The parties must provide written notice of any proposed amendments, allowing [Notification Period] for review and response.

## ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

### Travel and Relocation Notification

The Buyer agrees to notify the Seller if they relocate with the puppy to another city, state, or country. This notification is important to ensure that any ongoing health or training support can be appropriately provided. Failure to notify the Seller of significant changes in location may void certain guarantees, especially if the puppy is moved to a jurisdiction with different veterinary or care standards.

### Contract Termination by Seller

The Seller reserves the right to terminate the Contract if it is determined that the Buyer cannot provide adequate care, housing, or training for the puppy. In such a case, the Seller may reclaim the puppy, and no refund will be provided. The Buyer agrees to cooperate fully with the return process in this scenario.

### Veterinary Care Requirements Post-Sale

The Buyer agrees to maintain regular veterinary care for the puppy, including:

- Annual wellness check-ups
- Vaccinations and booster shots
- Routine deworming and flea/tick prevention
- Any necessary emergency or surgical treatments

Failure to provide adequate veterinary care will void the Seller's health guarantee and any obligation for future support.

#### Updates on Health and Development

The Buyer agrees to provide periodic updates on the puppy's health and development to the Seller. These updates should include:

- General health status and any significant medical issues
- Photographs of the puppy in its new environment
- Behavioral progress, particularly in the first [Number of Months, e.g., 6 months] after the sale

## REHOMING

If, at any point, the Buyer is unable to keep this puppy/dog, it MUST be returned to the Breeder. The puppy/dog may not be re-sold or rehomed without the Breeder's written consent. Under no circumstances should this puppy/dog be surrendered to a pound, shelter, or rescue. The Breeder agrees to assume full ownership and responsibility for the puppy/dog at any time, at any age (no cash refund).

The Breeder also agrees to assist the Buyer in rehoming or reselling the puppy/dog from their location. Any money obtained from the resale or rehoming will go directly to the Buyer, who may set the price. Adult dogs typically retain much of their value and can often be resold for a price close to the original, depending on factors such as age and health. However, the genetic health guarantee does not transfer to a second owner.

## ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior negotiations, understandings, and agreements. Any amendments to this Contract must be made in writing and signed by both parties.

The parties acknowledge that they have not relied on any representations or promises not contained in this Contract.

## SIGNATURES

### Seller:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Buyer:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_