

# Seelenvoll German Shepherds Puppy Contract

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Thank you very much for purchasing a Seelenvoll German Shepherd. We'd like to officially welcome you to our German Shepherd family! We hope that you will enjoy your new puppy for years to come. We have taken special care to ensure that your new dog is bred and raised healthy and happy.

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The following written agreement is knowingly entered into, as evidenced by the signatures, in consideration of the purchase/transfer of one purebred German Shepherd puppy as a family companion from the above breeder to the buyer listed below:

Buyer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Buyer's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Buyer's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Buyer's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The dog is: AKC #: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Microchip # : \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_ AKC# \_\_\_\_\_

Dam: \_\_\_\_\_ AKC# \_\_\_\_\_

The Breeder is selling the above dog for the total price of \_\_\_\_\_.  
If requested, the shipping fee for this dog is \_\_\_\_\_.

The Buyer is giving a deposit of \_\_\_\_\_ and has a final balance of \_\_\_\_\_ due to the Breeder 2 weeks before shipping OR upon release of the dog to the Buyer.

Please read the health Guarantee completely before putting a deposit on a puppy. By putting a deposit on a puppy you are agreeing to the terms and conditions within this contract. The Buyer understands that the deposit of \$500 is NON-refundable. However, it is transferable to another litter or available dog from the date of deposit up to 5 years. Buyer will forfeit the deposit and ownership rights to the dog if 1) Buyer decides that they no longer want to buy the dog OR 2) Buyer does not make full payment to the Breeder and pick up the above dog within one week of the release date (unless prior arrangements have been made).

## Breeder's Guarantee:

The Dog is eligible for registration with the American Kennel Club (AKC) as a purebred German Shepherd Dog under a Limited Registration. Limited AKC registration means that your dog is AKC registered, but any progeny they produce are not eligible for registration.

The Dog has been seen by the breeder's veterinarian on the following dates:

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The Breeder warrants that the dog has been dewormed and vaccinated in accordance to its age. It is very important that you continue the vaccinations and deworming. Deworming is a part of dog ownership, and it is expected of the Buyer to continue with the deworming protocols set by the Breeder. Do not expose your dog to other dogs that are not vaccinated until he/she has completed the entire vaccination schedule. The Buyer will have the dog examined by a veterinarian within 3 days of delivery. Should the Buyer's veterinarian determine the dog to be ill or for any other reason the dog is unacceptable, the Buyer may return the dog for a full refund during the 3-day period, provided the dog is returned in the same condition as at the time of delivery. In case of death, an autopsy must be obtained at the Buyer's expense within 24 hours of the death to determine the cause. Injury and environmental conditions are not covered by this agreement.

The Breeder additionally guarantees that the puppy will be free of active hip or elbow dysplasia, for 4 years from the birth date of the puppy that would prevent him/her from living an otherwise normal and healthy life. Active hip dysplasia, for the sake of this contract, is defined as radiographic results determined to be moderate or severe by the AIS PennHIP method when DI (Distraction Index) is 0.70 or above. Should any genetic condition be diagnosed by a certified orthopedic veterinarian at any time during this period, the Buyer will notify the seller of the condition within 7 days. The Buyer will, upon request, provide the breeder with all relevant x-rays and/or reports for examination by the breeder's certified orthopedic veterinarian of choice. Should a genetic disorder be confirmed by the Breeder's veterinarian, the buyer will have the option of one of the following:

1. Return the dog and receive a full refund of the purchase price of the dog.
2. The Buyer retains the dog and the breeder would pay 1/2 of any reasonable veterinary costs *associated with the diagnosis* not to exceed 1/2 of the original purchase price of the dog. If this is chosen, the dog stays with the Buyer.

**The Breeder Does Not Guarantee** against any non-congenital conditions, diseases, or injuries that are caused by inappropriate diet, excessive/insufficient exercise, allergies, undescended testicles, umbilical hernias, injury (deliberate or accidental), abuse, untimely or inappropriate veterinary care. The Breeder cannot guarantee the ultimate size, weight, color, temperament or suitability for specialized activities such as, but not limited to therapy/service, agility, showing, tracking, etc. above and beyond the promised family companion. This guarantee does not include minor illnesses and health issues such as colds, allergies, internal/ external parasites, umbilical hernias, undescended testicles, or eye issues such as cataracts..However, the breeder will disclose any known illnesses or health issues prior to the sale. This puppy is strictly sold as a top quality pet. Buyer is responsible for all medical costs of their dog. This guarantee covers only the original Buyer and is not transferable.

**Note: Due to FDA recommendations and numerous reports of deathly side effects, all health guarantee aspects of this contract will be null and void if buyer uses a flea/tick and/or heart-worm treatment/ preventative that is designed to work continuously for more than 1 month.**

The Buyer agrees to routine and emergency medical care for the dog in a timely manner . The Buyer agrees to provide premium food appropriate for a German Shepherd, maintain the dog at an appropriate weight as suggested by their vet, minimize excessive exercise, assist the young dog on/off furniture, in/ out of cars, and up/down stairs to minimize damage to the growth plates for a minimum of one year. Stairs and slippery floors should be avoided for the first year of life.

The buyer further agrees to provide appropriate socialization and training for the life of the dog.

Buyer agrees to terms above \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

**The Buyer Specifically Warrants:**

1. The Breeder reserves the first right of ownership of the dog (free of charge), if the owner intends to sell or transfer ownership to another. All registrations and veterinary information would be transferred to Breeder in this event. If the dog is found to be neglected or mistreated, the Buyer will surrender the said dog to the Breeder, unconditionally. If this dog is being returned because the Buyer can no longer keep this puppy due to allergies, divorce or other uncontrolled circumstances, or lack of training and now has "issues" to be corrected, the Breeder reserves the first right of ownership of the dog (free of charge).

Buyer agrees to terms above \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

2. The dog will never be used for breeding. **I agree that these are family companion dogs not to be used for breeding.** Unauthorized breeding(s) by the Buyer will immediately forfeit the dog to the Breeder until spayed/neutered.

Buyer agrees to terms above \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

3. Buyer agrees to not use a flea/tick and/or heart-worm treatment/preventative that is designed to work continuously for more than 1 month. **I understand that if I use one of these treatments or preventatives, the health guarantee in this contract is null and void.**

Buyer agrees to terms above \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

4. Buyer will Spay/Neuter the dog at an appropriate age (after the first heat cycle for a female or 15 months of age for a male). **I understand that spaying/neutering before the appropriate age will make the health guarantee in this contract null and void.**

Buyer agrees to terms above \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

5. Buyer understands that prong and electric collars are not suitable for puppies or dogs under 12 months of age. Should these training methods be used on the puppy (under 12 months of age), **the health guarantee in this contract is null and void.**

Buyer agrees to terms above \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

6. The dog has been microchipped by the Breeder's veterinarian and will be registered with the first contact as the Buyer. The second contact on the microchip registration will remain as the Breeder for the dog's life, or unless given permission from the breeder otherwise.

Buyer agrees to terms above \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

7. Up until the time of delivery, the Breeder assumes full liability for the dog and its actions. At the time of delivery, the breeder releases all ownership responsibilities to the Buyer and makes no written or expressed warranties for the future handling of the dog.

Buyer agrees to terms above \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

A violation of any of the clauses in this contract will constitute a breach of contract and result in voiding all breeder guarantees. It applies only to the Buyer and Breeder in this transaction and is

non-transferable to other parties. Maine law shall apply to the interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement. Jurisdiction for the resolution of any breach of or dispute regarding this Agreement shall be in the State of Maine.

**By signing, all parties have read and agreed to this contract in its entirety.**

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

I am authorized to bind all the members of my family to this agreement and I do so by signing below.

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

Co-Buyer \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Buyer is to sign below the Breeder’s copy of this contract upon receipt of the puppy from the Breeder.**

**I, the buyer, acknowledge that I have received the puppy into my possession.**

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

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