

JRM's Ottertail

PUPPY CONTRACT

American Kennel Club (AKC) registration number of litter: XX012345

Sire: Stud Muffin –AKC #YY67890123

Dam: JRM's Ottertail Good Girl– AKC #ZZ45678901

Whelp Date: MM/DD/YYYY

The Labrador Retriever described above is sold for the sum of \$4000. Checks should be made out to Joyce Matusek. Payments due:

Deposit of \$1,000 due upon whelping. Deposits are non-fundable unless JRM's Ottertail is not able to provide a puppy at time of sale.

At ~ 7 to 8-weeks of age (insert date) you pick-out your puppy.

Balance due (\$3,000) when you pick-up your puppy at 8-weeks of age (insert date).

A pet PUPPY is defined here to be a Labrador Retriever puppy, which is in good health at the time of sale and embodies the characteristics of the Labrador Retriever breed. This PUPPY is purebred and the litter is registered with the American Kennel Club.

The parents of this PUPPY have had X-rays to establish that they are free of hip and elbow dysplasia, CERF for normal eyes PRA, EIC testing. This PUPPY is registered with LIMITED AKC REGISTRATION that will prohibit breeding and registering any offspring unless other arrangements have been made with JRM's Ottertail. It is recommended that the BUYER spay (female) or neuter (male) the dog at an appropriate age, usually at 18 to 24 months of age. Studies show that neutering a pup too early can be detrimental to his/her long-term health care. The age 18 to 24 months is the approximate time that the pup's growth plates close, which is why it is regarded as the optimum time to perform this surgery. Consult your Veterinarian.

The BREEDER guarantees the above-described dog to be healthy at the time of the sale. The BREEDER does not assume any liability for any injury to said puppy after delivery. The BUYER agrees to have this puppy examined by a Veterinarian within 2 days of delivery (within 4 days if a weekend or holiday is involved at time of pickup). If the puppy is found to be other than healthy by the BUYER'S Veterinarian, it shall be returned to the BREEDER immediately with accompanying letter from the BUYER'S Veterinarian, and the purchase price will be refunded. All appropriate shots for the PUPPY'S age have been given, and a record of this vaccination history is supplied. This pup has been wormed every two weeks from age two-weeks. It has been wormed just prior to going to his/her new family. I recommend Interceptor which is a broad-spectrum tablet for the prevention of heartworm and it also controls roundworms, hookworms and whipworms, or Heartguard Plus cover roundworm and hook. For the prevention of ticks Advantix works well, and also repels mosquitoes and fleas. I only use the tick prevention when I see ticks around. I do not use it all year long.

The BUYER agrees to maintain the puppy's health in good condition and to provide yearly examinations, vaccinations, heartworm test and any other usual procedures necessary to assure good health. The BUYER at no time will leave a dog in an enclosed vehicle without proper ventilation. An electronic collar used with invisible fencing is an acceptable way to contain your dog but be aware that they pup should not be left in the containment area unsupervised. If you have another dog beware that a dog can snare another dog's collar (electronic or other), in its mouth that can cause strangulation. Also do not leave dog wearing a choke chain collar unattended as that also can catch on objects with the same consequence. The best option for any dog is to have a fenced yard or a kennel run if you need to leave them outside unattended. There the pup can be let out to be exercised with no chance of it escaping and causing harm to itself or neighbor's property. If pup is left outside during the day in your yard, he must have proper shelter from the elements, shade cover and access to water. At no time should the dog be left outside in extreme hot or cold temperatures. Pup should be provided a CRATE of the appropriate size, one that will

be able to be used when the pup is full grown which at the minimum size for a Female Lab would be 36" x 21". A slightly larger crate 42 inches or longer for Male Labs would be the best choice for their final growth size. Your pup will find they enjoy sleeping or traveling in their crates. Crates also act as seat belts when traveling. Being secured in a crate during a car accident has proven to have saved many dog's lives. The BUYER agrees to control the dog on lead when off premises and control the dog properly on the premises to avoid loss by running away, theft or otherwise. (A crate will aid in training and also protect pup when you are not in attendance or busy in the home).

The BREEDER has done everything possible to produce healthy sound puppies both by breeding only dogs (parents) that are certified free of hip, elbow dysplasia and by raising the puppies in the best way possible in regards to diet, exercise, socialization and veterinary care.

There are many factors that can influence growth and development, such as diet, exercise, weight gain, etc. The BUYER assumes the responsibility to carry on with the appropriate vaccination, exercise and feeding schedule, as supplied by the BREEDER. Please note that inexpensive dog foods will not give your dog the necessary nutrients that it needs to stay in good condition. You may switch brands but know that you will have to do this gradually by mixing the two brands together for a week or two to avoid problems with upset digestive tracts. Puppies will be growing tremendously up to 1-½ years of age but will continue to grow in many cases until 24 months of age. They will eat more during this time period so make sure they are fed good proportions. As the pup ages, you should reduce the quantity of food intake. The amount of exercise will make a difference as to the amount that should be fed. Labrador Retrievers should have a slight waist but not be thin like a Pointer or that type of Sporting dog breed.

The BREEDER can offer no further guarantees once the care of the puppy is no longer under their control. The BUYER agrees that neither he/she nor the BUYER'S estate/executors may sell this PUPPY or transfer ownership of this PUPPY without the BREEDER'S knowledge and written consent. The BUYER hereby agrees that if at any time the Buyer cannot take proper care of the puppy, the BUYER must contact the BREEDER and the BREEDER will have the first choice to either: (a) take the PUPPY back or (b) assist the BUYER in finding a suitable home for the PUPPY.

The BREEDER neither makes nor implies any warranties or guarantees, express or implied, other than those written in the agreement including, without limitation, the warranties of merchantability and fitness. This document constitutes the entire agreement between the Breeder and Buyer with respect to this sale. The Buyer's signature below indicates that he/she has read, agrees and does understand all the conditions of this PUPPY CONTRACT.

BUYER: _____ DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL _____

BREEDER: _____ DATE: _____

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