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Conditional Sales Contract and Warranty
(Agreement)

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 2024 between Terena Thomas(River Quest); hereinafter referred to as "Breeder") and the Buyer (thereinafter referred to as "Buyer"), referenced immediately below.

Buyer: _____

Buyer's Address: _____

Buyer's Telephone Number(s): _____

Buyer's Cell / Other Phone Number(s): _____

Puppy Description: Black Labrador female (Blue) Litter Registration #: SS480326

Date of Birth: 5/19/2024 Microchip:

Sire: Bandelier'z Moonshine MacZammy Mahoney Lou Baby AKC # SS10160301

DOB: 1/11/2019 Color: Yellow

Dam: Winnie The Pooh's Betty Bombardier, CGC, TKI AKC # SS17155003

DOB: 2/18/2020 Color: Black

Buyer Initials _____

Breeder Initials _____

Price and Conditions of Sale

Buyer and Breeder agree the price for the referenced puppy (hereinafter referred to as “Dog” or “dog”) to be purchased by Buyer shall be \$2,500. Buyer and Breeder agree that this price will be paid in full in U.S. funds by Buyer to Breeder on or before the day of delivery of the Dog to Buyer. Upon verification from Breeder’s Banking Institution of sufficient funds deposit of total purchase price, Breeder will provide Buyer(s) copy of signed and initialed Contract Agreement and AKC Registration form to submit to AKC for Dog. **AKC Registration Name of Dog must contain the ‘River Quest’ prefix.** Should any insufficient funds occur in relation to Buyer payment, Dog is to be immediately returned to Breeder (at Buyer’s expense) and all collection & legal fees incurred will be Buyer’s responsibility.

Delivery of Dog by Breeder to Buyer will occur at Breeder’s premises, (unless other arrangements are agreed to by Breeder and Buyer, which will be described in a written Contract Addendum signed and dated by Breeder and Buyer, and which will be incorporated into this Agreement). In any case, Buyer will pay for and be otherwise responsible for all transportation, shipping, and handling charges, including but not limited to the cost of a shipping kennel, if delivery is made at any place but Breeder’s premises.

Breeder assumes no risk or responsibility, and is not liable for Dog, subsequent to its leaving the Breeder’s premises, subject to Warranty provisions of this Agreement. Conditions for which the Breeder will not be responsible include, but are not limited to: veterinary expenses, medical expenses, death, injury, sickness, allergy of Dog or from Dog. Buyer assumes all risk, responsibility, and liability associated with Dog, upon Dog’s departure from Breeder’s premises.

If at any time the Buyer is unable to or no longer desires to maintain possession of this dog, **Breeder is to be notified immediately and retains FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL of resumption of full ownership of the dog.** The dog will be returned by Buyer (at Buyer’s expense) with the AKC papers and any medical records to Breeder. No monies will be refunded by Breeder (except as specifically identified elsewhere in this contract.)

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Breeder Initials _____

Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES is the dog to be placed in a pet shop, animal shelter, or similar establishment. This Dog shall be maintained and kept under the personal control of the Buyer, and shall be given adequate housing, food, regular veterinary care, and up-to-date vaccinations or proof of immunization via Titer's testing, as well as all proper daily care to maintain the dog in optimal health. Buyer shall inform Breeder at once if medical problems develop, and shall follow all veterinary recommendations for their solution. Failure to do so on the part of the Buyer shall constitute breach of contract; and must immediately return the dog to the Breeder (at Buyer's expense).

This dog shall in no manner be mistreated or neglected.

Training and handling shall not induce pain fear or intimidation and shall adhere to LIMA (Least Invasive Methods Available).

Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES is this dog to be used in dog fighting, medical testing, experimentation, or similar activities.

**Failure to comply with the above conditions of sale will hold the Buyer liable for any and all Court costs, attorney fees, damages to other parties, punitive damages, and other costs incurred by Breeder and any other applicable parties.. Said costs/charges/fines are entirely the responsibility of the Buyer and payable to applicable parties at the time of the Court's decision.

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Warranty of General Health

To the best of Breeder's knowledge, Dog is in good general health when it leaves breeder's premises. Dog has been inoculated against major canine diseases, as listed in Vaccination Schedule portion of this Agreement.

Breeder warrants general health of Dog against major disease contracted by Dog while in Breeder's possession for seventy-two (72) hours (three days) following delivery of Dog, subject to conditions set forth in the next paragraph.

Buyer, at Buyer's expense, may have Dog examined by a licensed veterinarian within seventy-two (72) hours following delivery of Dog. If such examination by veterinarian results in reasonable diagnosis of major disease, such as epilepsy, cancer, or heart disease; crooked tooth or teeth, absence of or injury to dew claw or claws, undescended testicle or testicles, or other non-major disease conditions, (NOT to include injury after leaving Breeder's premises), Buyer may then choose a full refund of the purchase price or another puppy from the same litter if available (the latter at Breeder's discretion). As condition for assertion of right to Breeder's Warranty of General Health, Buyer must deliver to Breeder, within the 72-hour warranty period, or 48 hours (two days) thereafter, veterinarian's signed letter which describes the Dog's diagnosis and basis for professional opinion that Dog contracted major disease while in Breeder's possession. Breeder and Buyer further agree that assertion of Warranty of General Health is conditioned upon Buyer returning Dog to Breeder (with AKC registration and all other paperwork provided to Buyer at time of sale) within the 72-Hour Warranty period, or 48 hours (two days) thereafter, at Buyer's expense, including any transportation, shipping, and handling charges.

For this particular situation (within 72 hours of purchase of dog), Buyer agrees that no monies will be refunded by Breeder other than purchase price of Dog, and only under conditions set forth in the preceding paragraph.

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Breeder Initials _____

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Hip and Elbow Warranty

Breeder warrants Dog to be free of congenital hip and dysplasia for twenty-eight (28) months from the date of birth of Dog, subject to fulfillment of all conditions below:

- (a) Dog must carry the "River Quest" kennel prefix on his/ her registered name.
- (b) Dog must be registered with the American Kennel Club (AKC) within 180 days of purchase.
- (c) Dog must be owned by (the original) Buyer.
- (d) Dog must not have whelped or sired a litter.
- (e) Dog must be X-rayed by the age of 25 months [2 years and 1 month], with the resulting X-rays sent to the Orthopedic Foundation of America (OFA) for interpretation (at Buyer's expense). Based on OFA's interpretation of these X-rays, if OFA finds Dog to be dysplastic, Buyer must notify Breeder in writing and provide Breeder a copy of the OFA report of findings within thirty (30) days of receipt. Buyer must also have said dog sterilized (spayed/neutered) at buyer's expense, with proof of sterilization delivered to Breeder within sixty (60) days of the OFA report.
- (f) X-ray findings are not the result of trauma or injury from contraindicated activities such as specified in a subsequent section of this Agreement.

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Heart Warranty re: Congenital Heart Disease

Sire and Dam have both been cleared of EIC (Exercise Induced Collapse) by genetic testing. Breeder warrants Dog to be free of congenital Heart Disease for twenty-eight (28) months from the date of birth of Dog, subject to fulfillment of all conditions below.:

- (a) Dog must carry the "River Quest" kennel prefix on his/ her registered name.
- (b) Dog must be registered with the American Kennel Club (AKC) within 180 days of purchase.
- (c) Dog must be owned by (the original) Buyer.
- (d) Dog must not have whelped or sired a litter.
- (e) Dog must be evaluated by a certified Veterinary Cardiologist [at Buyer's expense] by the age of 25 months [2 years and 1 month], with the resulting diagnostic Echocardiogram and other cardiographic diagnostics verifying presence of a congenital heart disorder. Buyer must notify Breeder in writing and provide Breeder a copy of the Veterinary Cardiologist report of findings and diagnostic tests within thirty (30) days of receipt by Buyer of that report. Buyer must also have said dog sterilized (at buyer's expense), with proof of sterilization delivered to Breeder within sixty (60) days of the OFA report.

Eye Warranty re: PRA (Progressive Retinal Atrophy)

Breeder warrants Dog to be free of exhibiting PRA (Progressive Retinal Atrophy). Dam has been verified as Optigen A1 (completely free of gene associated with development of PRA). PRA is a recessive trait; hence none of the puppies from this breeding will exhibit this condition.

While the utmost care has been used in selection of sound Sire and Dam, this warranty does not encompass other disorders of the eye.

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General Congenital Disease/Condition Warranty:

Dog must carry the "River Quest" kennel prefix on his/ her registered name.

If a congenital (NOT acquired) disease/condition is identified by a qualified veterinary specialist (at Buyer's expense) within two (2) years of purchase, Breeder reserves the right to have the dog re-examined by a veterinary specialist of Breeder's choice (at Breeder's expense) to confirm the diagnosis.

If those findings/diagnosis are confirmed by veterinary selected by Breeder, and all other Buyer Requirements as specified within all sections of this contract are met, \$150.00 of the Dog's original purchase price will be refunded upon proof of spay/neuter.

However, should veterinarian of Breeder's choice not concur with the diagnosis rendered by Buyer's examining veterinary specialist, the matter shall be presented to a third veterinary specialist mutually agreed upon by the Breeder and the Buyer (associated expenses shared equally by Buyer and Breeder) for final determination of the matter. If the third examining veterinarian concurs with findings of Buyer's veterinarian, Breeder will honor that determination. If the third examining physician concurs with Breeder's selected examining veterinarian, Breeder is not required to refund any monies.

All Warranties pertain to the original Buyer only.

NOTE: This warranty does not apply to undescended testicles, crooked or missing teeth, non-life-threatening faults or defects, or any factors that were disclosed at the time of purchase.

NOTE: This warranty is void if the females are spayed before 18 months of age and first heat cycle; or males are neutered before 18 months of age. (Breeder requires these parameters for optimal health of the dog.)

NOTE: This warranty is void if said dog has been bred,

NOTE: Regardless whether one or more adverse congenital conditions/diseases are identified in the same Dog, Breeder is required to pay only a maximum reimbursement of \$150.00 of original purchase price of the Dog.

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Registration Requirements

Dog is sold on a Full / Limited (line out basis not desired) Registration basis. If Dog is to be used for breeding purposes, then after two (2) years of age, official numbered OFA certification of hip & elbow X-rays must first be obtained for Dog, with OFA elbows rating of "pass" and rating on OFA hip/joint conformation of "fair" or better. All examinations and associated expenses are Buyer's responsibility. The official reports must be provided to Breeder, who will then address reversion of a Limited Registration with the American Kennel Club to Full Registration. Buyer agrees to obtain Breeder pre-approval of potential mate prior to breeding.

A Dog carrying the River Quest kennel name will not be bred without these official rating clearances. If clearances, as described above, are not obtained on Dog prior to breeding, and/or if breeding to a specific mate is not pre-approved by Breeder, and/or Dog is bred before 2 years of age, such breeding of this Dog shall be deemed a breach of contract on the part of the Buyer; and all Breeder duties and requirements of this Agreement shall become null and void.

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Other Contractual Conditions

- Buyer and Breeder agree that Breeder has First Right of Refusal to obtain full ownership of said Dog back from Buyer at no cost, if Buyer elects to not to keep said Dog for any reason.
- Buyer and Breeder agree that, other than for specific exceptions specified in this Agreement, no monies will be refunded by Breeder.
- Buyer and Breeder agree that should Buyer fail to follow stipulations specified in this Agreement, it will be deemed a breach of contract on the part of the Buyer; and all Breeder duties and requirements of this agreement shall become null and void.
- Successors: This Agreement shall be binding on the parties hereto and their heirs, successors, and assignees, and shall continue and remain in full force and effect after the termination of this Agreement.
- Severability: Should any provision of this Agreement be ruled invalid, it shall not affect or impair any other provision of this Agreement and the invalidity of any provision of this Agreement shall not have any effect or impair the obligation of Buyer or Breeder hereunder.
- Laws Applicable: This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado.
- Entire Agreement: This Agreement contains this entire agreement between the parties and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, are merged herein. No amendments to this Agreement shall be effective unless the same is in writing and signed by both parties (Buyer and Breeder).
- Buyer and Breeder agree that any variations to this Agreement will be written in the space immediately below this paragraph (or referenced in an attached Co-Ownership document), and will be signed by Buyer and Breeder and thus incorporated into this agreement. If no variations are indicated the space below will specifically indicate "Not Applicable".

Variations:

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Breeder Initials _____

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Lou Baby
MugZy

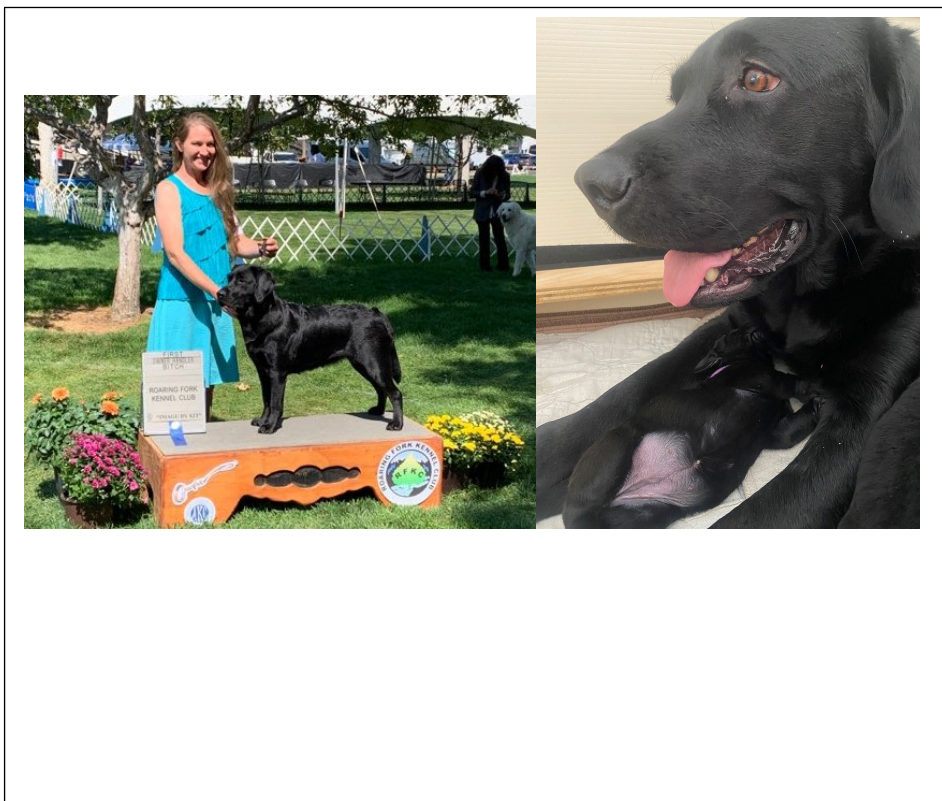
"MugZy" is a phenomenal dog in a line of extraordinary champions. He produces sound dogs with excellent conformation, intelligence and loving personalities. As with MugZy and his ancestors before him, his puppies are recognized for all-around excellence.



DAM

Winnie the Pooh's Betty Bombardier, CGC, TKI "Betty"

"Betty" is a beautiful black female who follows in the "paw prints" of her champion bloodlines. She produces sweet, sound, intelligent puppies of conformational excellence. She is a patient, attentive and kind mother, but also excels as a good working dog. Her calm, thoughtful temperament is passed down to her offspring.



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VACCINATION SCHEDULE

Dogs (puppies) from this litter, whelped on **5/19/24**, have been vaccinated with Spectra 6 at 6 weeks of age (**6/30/24**). This protects the Dog against: Distemper, Hepatitis CAV (Canine Adenovirus), Parainfluenza, Corona and Parvovirus. Fecal testing was conducted on 7/11/24 and the results were:

Boosters are required at:

10 weeks of age 7/28/24 (Coronavirus Vaccination is also recommended at this time.)
(Consult with your veterinarian)

14 weeks of age 8/25/24 (DHPP)

18 weeks of age 9/22/24 Rabies vaccinations also required at this age

(NOTE: Some Veterinarians' booster schedule may vary by a few weeks from the above schedule. Please check with your Veterinarian.)

Most veterinarians (and Breeder) also recommend H2N3 Flu Vaccines at appropriate age. Please consult your veterinarian regarding this vaccine & associated boosters.

Some veterinarians and breeders recommend an additional Parvovirus Booster at 20-22 weeks of age; and /or at 6 months of age. We recommend you consult your veterinarian about obtaining these additional Parvovirus boosters.

Bordatella Bronchiseptica (Kennel Cough) nasal vaccine or vaccine injection is required if the dog is to be kenneled at a boarding facility or if the dog attends shows, obedience classes, etc, where the dog will be exposed to other dogs. Re-boosting of Kennel Cough vaccine every six (6) months is highly recommended.

Please make sure your dog has completed all boosters at 10 weeks of age, before taking them to places where he/she will be exposed to other dogs.

Annual examinations and maintenance of up-to-date vaccinations (or titer's testing) is essential to ensure ongoing coverage for the above diseases/viruses.

PUPPY WORMING SCHEDULE

Dogs (puppies) from this litter, whelped on **5/19/24** have been wormed at 6/28/24 at 6 weeks of age. Repeat worming is recommended at 10-11 weeks and at 16 weeks of age; or as recommended by Buyer's Veterinarian. Stool analysis is recommended at one (1) year, and if stool characteristics indicate possibility of worms, a prescription wormer from a licensed veterinarian is generally the most effective.

HEARTWORM PREVENTION

Due to the increased incidence of Heart Worm in canines, we encourage you to have your dog checked for Heart Worm Annually and maintained on Heart Worm medication at least during the period recommended by your veterinarian. Once laboratory testing is completed to verify absence of Heart Worm, your veterinarian will place your dog of Heart Worm preventive medication.

Heart Worm thrives in warmer environments. After the first 'hard frost', Heart Worm medication may not be necessary in colder environments until early spring (unless the dog travels to warmer environments during these months). We recommend dogs that travel should be maintained on Heartworm medication year round. Check with your veterinarian on Heart Worm prevention in your specific area.

FLEA & TICK PREVENTION

In addition to treatment for Heartworm, treatment to prevent flea and/or tick infestation is extremely important. Not only are these pests bothersome, they can carry potentially deadly diseases (such as Rocky Mountain Tick Fever).

NOTE:

Breeder strongly recommends monthly use of long-term flea & tick prevention (such as prescription Frontline Plus) and Heartworm Prevention (such as prescription Heart Guard or Iverheart), in prescribed dosages (according to your dog's weight).

NOTE;

According to some veterinarians, concurrent use of prescription Heart Guard and Front Line Plus year round can help reduce mosquito infestations; which in turn, can reduce potential exposure to devastating diseases such as West Nile Virus.

STERILIZATION

(Spaying and Neutering aren't your only options!!)

Unless you plan to show or breed your dog (in which case, additional contractual requirements are identified on page 7 of the Agreement Section), we trust you will responsibly alter the breeding status of your dog after 18 months of age (and after at least one heat cycle for females). This is the traditional spay and neuter (standard or laproscopic) as well as vasectomy and ovarian saving uterus removal.

Although sterilization is recommended for pets not intended for show or breeding, studies have demonstrated that spaying/neutering after 18 months of age (and after first heat cycle for females) helps to ensure optimal pet health. **Spaying/neutering before that time frame can be detrimental to the health of the dog.** But you also have to live with your pup, so really it's also about their behavior and how well you can manage them with hormones surging through their system. We encourage you to do your own research to see what options are best for you and your pup, then discuss with your veterinarian.

Checkout the website www.spayneuteradvice.com for up to date information.

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GENERAL CARE FOR YOUR DOG

FEEDING:

- Stainless steel dishes are recommended. Your dog should have **fresh water available at all times**. (Exception: During night time crate training, water may be removed for up to 8 hours as long as the Dog has had adequate hydration before placing in the crate, and water availability is resumed after the [maximum of 8-hour] crated period.)
- Your dog is currently being fed a high quality Puppy kibble, mixed with warm water or kefir for slight softening three (3) times a day. This may be mixed with a couple of tablespoons of a quality canned food.
- For the next few weeks, we suggest that you continue to mix warm water into the hard puppy food, then switch to the hard food without warm water. If you decide to switch to a different dog food of similar high quality, transition gradually. Sudden dietary switching can cause digestive upset and/or diarrhea.
- Do not free-feed your dog or feed with other dogs. Feed your puppy for 20-30 minutes, then remove the food until the next feeding. If your puppy does not want to finish a meal, remove it after 30 minutes. With growth spurts, your dog may be hungrier on some days than others. If for any reason you suspect your dog is sick, however, consult your veterinarian ASAP.
- If it fits your schedule better, you may want to switch your dog to feedings two (2) times per day after the dog is approximately 4 months old.
- Keep your dog at the proper weight! Fat dogs have shorter lives. You should **ALWAYS** be able to feel the ribs. Food can be a love language, but use things like carrots, blue berries and frozen green beans.

- By 12 months the dog's diet should be gradually switched to a good balanced dog food. We feed ours either a raw farm diet or a kibble from Fromm's or Earthborne (both grain-free). During the transition, mix the puppy and adult food (gradually increasing in the proportion of adult food, while gradually decreasing the proportion of puppy food).
- Always have fresh water available for your dog to drink. During nighttime crate and/or potty training, you may want to take water away if you do not want to take the puppy outside multiple times during the night.
- Avoid heavy exercise before and after meals!!

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

The following provides additional basic information we suggest for happy and healthy growth of your dog (puppy). By following these suggestions, many serious problems can be avoided. Your dog has been accustomed to all of the following grooming suggestions. If you continue, we feel that it will be easier for both of you as your puppy grows up.

TEETH

- It is important to take precautions against tooth and gum disease. Dogs, like humans, can develop dental problems; which can in turn, lead to other health problems.
- Dog (puppy) teething occurs from approximately 4 months to 7 months. Your dog should be stimulated to chew on appropriate toys. This is not an excuse for your dog to chew on everything! Make sure to supply him/her with plenty of proper and SAFE DOG TOYS (no human items). If you don't, your dog will be sure to find other things that are inappropriate and/or unsafe for him/her.

We suggest the following:

- Nyla Bones
 - Gummi-Bones
 - Rope Toys
 - Fresh Raw Bones especially from birds (wings, legs, necks, feet)
 - Kong Toys
 - Large Balls (large enough that they cannot slip into the dog's windpipe). NO regular sized tennis balls; as they are known to cause choking.
- If the dog chews on an inappropriate object; rather than harsh correction, simply re-direct the dog's attention to an appropriate chew toy.

- **NEVER GIVE YOUR DOG RAWHIDE, COOKED BONES or CHEW HOOVES!!!!!!**
Rawhide hunks can become lodged in a dog's throat and swell, causing suffocation. Rawhide hunks can also cause intestinal obstruction. Cooked bones can splinter and tear internal organs. Any of these situations can cause death.
- **AVOID** any toys that can easily be swallowed (such as small balls or small squeak toys). These can lodge in the dog's throat and cause choking.
- **Limit** the game of 'Tug-of-War' with your pup until they're older as dental disorders and **hard mouthiness** can ensue.

EARS

- Labrador ears should be cleaned at least twice a month; preferably weekly. A drying agent such as Oti-Clens is suggested. Labradors can be prone to ear infections, especially if they go swimming. Signs of infection include shaking and tilting of the head, scratching their ears, and odor from the ears.

TOENAILS:

- Toenails are very important. We suggest clipping at least every 4 weeks. Most dogs do not enjoy this, so it is very important that you work this regularly. Long toenails lead to bad feet, which can, in turn, cause improper gait, and joint problems.
- It is important that the dog's toenails are properly trimmed and that appropriate nail clippers or grinders are used.

COAT:

- Labradors require little grooming. The Labrador has a double coat and will generally "blow coat" (shed) 2 times per year. Having enough omegas and fatty acids will help keep the coat soft, lush and shedding at appropriate times. Try Furminator shampoo and conditioner for those times of year they are blowing coat.
- It is important that your dog's immune system be fully protected before bathing or swimming.
- Unless you are showing your dog, only occasional bathing is necessary. When bathing, it is important that the coat is conditioned to prevent dry skin and itching.

EXERCISE:

- Labradors love to play. Most Labradors fetch naturally and enjoy playing ball or Frisbee. If you want your dog to keep the “soft mouth” they were bred for, we again strongly discourage playing any type of “Tug-of-War” or roughhouse games.
- Labradors love to swim, and will swim all year long if allowed. Puppies will try the water when they are ready; some at a very young age, while others when a bit older. Don’t be concerned if they don’t immediately ‘take’ to the water.
- AVOID heavy exercise such as long distance running and hard jumping until the dog is fully mature (generally 2 years old). (Let your puppy enjoy being a puppy.) Full level hunt training should start AFTER the dog has physically developed adequately to minimize potential musculo-skeletal stress injuries from these activities.

HEALTH / IMMUNIZATIONS:

- Your dog (puppy) comes to you with current shots for his/her age; and has been wormed. Maintenance of immunizations according to recognized veterinary guidelines is required. We strongly recommend that you keep up with the vaccination schedule provided within this packet.
- Worms are common. If properly treated, they are usually not a problem. Discuss with your veterinarian having your dog rechecked for worms at the 3-month shot visit.
- Please limit your dog’s exposure to other dogs until he/she has completed his/her shot series. Parvovirus is especially cruel and often fatal to young dogs. Until your dog is fully immunized, spray a 2 :1 mixture of water and OdoBan (available at Home Depot) on all feet (human or pet) coming into the house; as parvovirus is carried in the dirt / soil.
- **If you see vomiting, loose stools, loss of appetite, bloating, or fever, seek immediate veterinary treatment.**

PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT:

- We recommend Crate Training your dog. Dogs are naturally den animals. Once they are used to it, the crate will make them feel more secure.
- Avoid having your dog on a slippery floor. Slipping causes strain injuries , which can promote joint problems.
- Containment Systems: Use of at least 6-foot high chain link fence is recommended. Observe your dog frequently while contained. While contained, if possible, avoid use of loose collars, as the dog can be injured if the collar gets caught or tangled on

other objects. Fencing should be installed safely and in such a way that the dog cannot dig under it. Dogs (particularly puppies) tend to chew on wooden fences. A dog can generally dig his/her way under a wooden fence.

Invisible Fencing with electronic collars may be used in your presence. This type of containment is not recommended if you will not be on the premises because:

- (a) It does not prevent other animals from entering the property
 - (b) It can become disabled in the case of an electrical power failure.
- **NEVER** leave a choke collar on an unattended dog. The dog can catch the collar and choke to death. The dog's 'everyday collar' should be one that slips over the head or 'pops' apart if the dog gets 'hung up'.

TRAINING & BOARDING:

All dogs need to be trained. Be consistent, patient, firm, and fair. Set rules and stick to them from the start.

DON'T ALLOW YOUR PUPPY TO DO ANYTHING YOU DON'T WANT HIM/HER TO DO AS AN ADULT DOG!!!!!!

WE SUPPORT POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT TRAINING ONLY.

Approved training and boarding facilities require proof of adequate immunization of all dogs entering the facility, **WITHOUT EXCEPTION**. This is for the benefit of you and your dog.

MICROCHIPING:

Your pup has been Microchipped with a prepaid AKC brand microchip. Microchipping has been inordinately important in locating and reuniting countless lost dogs with their owners. It is not a tracking device, but rather an identification method. We trust that you will responsibly care for your dog and never need this, but it is an extremely important precautionary step in your dog's safety. Have your vet check it during their annual visit.

Right now I, (the Breeder) am listed as the alternate contact. **It is contractual required to keep the breeder as the alternate contact. Contact AKC (AKCreunite.org, 800-252-7894) to update your information any time it changes. There is NO ANNUAL fee!!!** This microchip is good for the life of the puppy, so don't get sucked into their marketing that really tries to upsell you to an annual membership that is unneeded.

You don't need to pay annual fees for this lifetime microchip identification!!

SUGGESTED READING:

- How to Be Your Dog's Best Friend
By: The Monks of New Skete
- Everyday Dog
By: Nancy Johnson
- How to Raise a Puppy You can Live With
By: Claire Rutherford and Neil
- Water Dog
By R. Walters
- Training the Hunting Retriever
By: Bill Tarrant
- Behavior Problems in Dogs
By: William E. Campbell
- Mother Knows Best – The Natural Way to Train Your Dog
By Carol Lea Benjamin

Numerous On-Line Resources include, but are not limited to:

- <http://veterinarypartner.com/>
- <http://greatpets.com/>
- <http://healthypet.com/>
- <http://pethobbyist.com/>
- <http://www.uwsp.edu/psych/dog/dog.htm>
- <http://www.cuhumane.org/topics/crate.html>
- <http://www.akc.org> (American Kennel Club official website)
- <http://www.aahanet.org> (American Animal Hospital Association [AAHA] official website)
- www.spayneuteradvice.com
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FINALLY:

We feel we have found very special and responsible people in you. Our concern is not only for your dog's well being, but also for the betterment of this wonderful breed.

Despite current technological capabilities, there is still the possibility that these problems can arise. In our breeding, we take great care in selecting dogs that are sound in temperament and structure, and although this does not eliminate the possibility of these problems in present and future breedings, it can help.

If you plan to breed, first obtain the proper clearances (hips, eyes, elbows, heart, genetics etc.) and please keep us informed of the results. This is very important to us as it is with all responsible Labrador Retriever breeders.

Please do not hesitate to call Breeder with any questions. WE LOVE YOUR DOG TOO!!!