Golden Plains Goldens

Puppy Questionnaire

**To be considered for a Golden Plains Goldens**

**puppy please answer every question as completely as possible and with as much detail as you can, and return this form when you've finished. This questionnaire is incredibly important to help us match the right puppy with the right family. Each puppy has their own personality and making sure the puppy is a match for his or her new owner(s) is of the upmost importance. By answering and submitting this questionnaire you and all members of the family/household are agreeing to statements below. If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to call, text, or e-mail.**

Name: First and Last (please include all household members name’s and age):

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code

Phone (home and / or cell): work:

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Email:

Referred by:

1. Are all family members ready to commit to adding a puppy to the family?

2. Please provide us with the current and past pets you have, are they spayed or neutered?

3. Who will be the primary care giver for the puppy?

4. Does anyone in the family have allergies?

5. Within what time frame are you looking to add a puppy to your family?

6. Are you expecting any lifestyle changes within the next 12 months? (I.e.: moving, new job, or new baby etc.)

7. Have you owned a Golden before?

 7. a. If yes, from whom did you acquire it?

8. Are you looking for a Male or Female?

9. If your first choice were not available would you consider a puppy of the opposite sex?

10. Are you planning to breed this dog or bitch?

12. What are you looking for in your puppy: (Please mark all that apply)

 Family companion .

 Obedience .

 Conformation (show) .

 Hunting/Fieldwork .

 Therapy work .

 Breeding .

13. Do you have a veterinarian? If so Please list their name and contact information.

14. If purchased as a family companion, you must adhere to my requirement to leave your puppy intact until 24 months of age for male companion puppies and 3 months after the second season for female companion puppies do you agree to do this?

15. Where will the puppy/dog spend most of its time?

16. Do you live in a house, apartment, etc?

 16 a.)If you rent, has your landlord agreed in writing to allow you to have a dog on the

 premises will you provide that documentation

17. Is your yard fenced in? If “yes” what type of fence is it (chain link, wood etc.) and how tall is the

 fence?

18. If your yard is not fenced in how will you provide security for the puppy when it is outside? I do not

 consider invisible fences an acceptable fence. Your puppy may never stray outside, but it does not

 keep other dogs or animals from coming into your yard to hurt your puppy.

19. What are your plans for the puppy when you are not at home?

20. Have you ever crate trained a puppy?

21. Will someone be home during the day or able to come home to let the puppy out to potty?

22. Do you agree to never let the puppy be tied/chained up outside as a means of confinement? If not

 please state why?

23. Do you understand that Golden puppies like to chew on items and have very sharp teeth

 while they are teething? Proper training is needed to insure that your favorite shoes, Grand

 mother’s chair or other property, do not become a chew toy/hazard for the puppy. Those razor sharp

 teeth can also cut skin very easily so proper training helps to ensure you do not get cuts or puncture

 wounds on you or your children.

24. Are you willing to take your puppy to socialization classes so that it will become an

 enjoyable companion and good canine citizen?

25. Are you aware that adding a puppy is like adding a two year old child to your household that

 comes with a 10-15 year commitment?

26. Are you aware that Golden Retrievers are considered a large breed and they shed A LOT!

 They need to be groomed and bathed on a regular basis.

**In spite of the best care and the best breeding practices, health problems may occur that require surgery or extensive treatment. These problems can include but are not limited to:  OCD, hip dysplasia, elbow dysplasia, liver shunts, allergies, and the most unfortunate cancer.**

27. **Are you willing to provide good veterinary care and are you willing to invest in your puppy in the**

 **event of health problems?**

28. Are you willing to feed a good quality food selected from a list provided to you? Or check with me if

 you want to change foods?

29. If due to unforeseen circumstances you have to place the dog, I require you return the puppy/dog to

 me and I will place the puppy or help you find a suitable new home, do you agree to this?

30. Are you on a waiting list for any other litters?

31. Are you willing to abide by a contract that specifies matters regarding registration, health,

 breeding, spay/neuter, and general care?

32. I also do not approve of the dog/puppy living outside. Golden Retrievers are loving dogs and do best

 if they are with their family. Do you agree to allow the dog to live inside and to never be chained up

 outside as a regular means of confinement? Do you agree to allow the puppy to live in your house?

33. I also do not approve of dogs/puppies riding in the back of pick-ups either in a crate or out. I have

 seen what happens if you should ever get in a wreck and the dog never survives.

34. Is there any additional information you would like to share that would be helpful to get to

 know you better?