

S & P LABRADOR RETRIEVERS ~ PUPPY CONTRACT

One Labrador Retriever puppy, registrable with the American Kennel Club (AKC), with the registered name of:

_____ (Known as: _____)

American Kennel Club (AKC) registration number: # _____

Sire: _____ AKC # _____

Dam: S & P Carefree Life of Riley "Rosie" AKC # _____

The Labrador retriever described above is sold for the sum of **\$ 3,000.00**

Amount of Deposit \$ 500.00 check Date:

Payment to be made in full at time of the transaction (puppy pick up) in cash or bank check

Balance: \$ 3,085.00 (\$85.00) is for AKC to transfer Ownership of puppy

Deposits are non-fundable unless S & P is not able to provide a puppy at time of pick up.

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 as well as DNA tested clear for (PRA) Progressive Retinal Atrophy, EIC (Exercise Induced Collapse). The litter has also been micro-chipped and a prepaid registration to the AKC REUNITE recovery system is included in your puppy's take home packet. This PUPPY will be registered with LIMITED AKC REGISTRATION that will prohibit breeding and registering any offspring of this puppy. This puppy should NOT be spayed (female) or neutered (male) until the appropriate age of 12-18 months, and not before 12 months of age. Recent studies show that neutering a pup too early can be detrimental to his/her long-term health care. The age 12-18 months is the approximate time that the pup's growth plates close, which is why this age is regarded as the optimum time to perform this surgery. If the BUYER would like to become involved in showing the puppy at AKC events, that may be done with all AKC events but Conformation (Breed) shows. If BUYER has an interest in that end of showing, the puppy may come back for evaluation and if SELLER feels the pup has Breed Ring potential, the AKC registration can be changed to a FULL registration to allow for competition in the Breed ring. Dew Claws are not removed and should NOT be removed. The surgery is very invasive and not necessary. Note on American Kennel Club registration: The registration of your puppy not only helps safe-guard your pup with an identification but also portions of all registrations fees go to the AKC Canine Health Foundation of which funds studies on all dog health issues and in fact a recent study had been conducted on Labrador Retrievers and the effect of early neutering on the long term health of this breed and other breeds.

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 48 hours of delivery (within 72 hours 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 vaccines for the PUPPY'S age have been given, and a record of this vaccination history is supplied. A microchip will be implanted in your pup and has a prepaid enrollment which will be completed by S & P after ownership is transferred to the buyer. This chip is registered with AKC REUNITE. When we register your pup with the AKC, the recovery number (microchip number) is attached in their database along with their AKC registration number. 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. The pup's stools may be loose a few days after worming as medication takes a few days to go through their digestive tract. It is always a good practice to bring a stool sample to your veterinarian once or twice a year during their check up. Bring one to check at the pup's next vet visit. Your vet can recommend and explain the different options in heartworm medication. We use Heart Guard Plus for the prevention of heartworm and if possible, use one that also controls roundworms, hookworms and whipworms. Your veterinarian can update you on the best products as new ones occasionally come on the market. For the prevention of ticks and also repels mosquitoes and fleas, EFFITIX works well, and is half the price of Frontline. Both products can be bought online or at your vet clinic. I use these two produces 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. Cars heat up even in the winter. Always

crack windows leaving enough space for the dog to breathe easily when dog is left in a vehicle. It takes only a short time before a vehicle heats and puts your dog in danger of death from heat. On hot days, leaving your dog at home is the best choice. An electronic collar used with invisible fencing is an acceptable way to contain your dog but be aware that the pup should not be left in the containment area unsupervised. If you have another dog be aware that a dog can snare another dog's collar- electronic or other, in the dog's mouth and 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 housing/bedding 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 42"CRATE with dividers, one that will be able to be used when the pup is full grown. 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 save many dog's lives. You may also use a good quality dog harness and seatbelt. 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. The BUYER has purchased a dog crate to house the puppy prior to bringing the pup into its new home _____. (A crate will aid in training and also protect pup when you are not in attendance or busy in the home). The Seller also recommends enrolling your puppy in obedience classes once the pup receives their last vaccines at about 12- 16 weeks of age. Attending classes helps not just with training but also with bonding with their new owner. Social interaction with other dogs and people is encouraged and obedience classes are a great start in that area for your puppy.

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, etc., 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. This litter of puppies has been raised on the brand, Merrick puppy chicken, which is formulated for large breeds. I strongly suggest that a Lab puppy be raised on large breed varieties of feed. You may switch brands to equivalent quality LARGE BREED kibble but know that you will have to do this gradually by mixing the two brands together over a few weeks to avoid problems with upset digestive tracts. Check manufacturer's recommendations on bag for best time to switch from Puppy to Adult kibble. Puppies will be growing tremendously up to 1-½ years of age but WILL continue to grow until 24 months of age. They will eat more during this time period so make sure they are fed good portions. Read feed manufacturers recommendations for amounts puppies should be fed as they grow. Your puppy will not develop to its potential if it is not feed correctly. As your dog ages, you should reduce the quantity of food intake. The amount of exercise will make a difference as to the amount your dog should be fed. Labrador Retrievers should have a slight waist but not be thin like a Pointer or that type of Sporting dog breed. Overfeeding is to be avoided as an overweight dog may develop health issues and a shorten life span but under feeding can slow down their growth rate as well.

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 BUYER agrees to notify the BREEDER of any changes of address during the PUPPY'S lifetime.

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 conditions of the Sales Agreement and Contract of Sale.

BUYER: _____

DATE:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

BREEDER: Paul Maria

DATE :

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NOTES: Notes here on feeding and feeding times as well as times when the pups go to bed and wake up etc.

FEEDING: This litter of puppies have been fed at approximately 6:30 a.m., again at 12 noon, and in the evening at 5:00 p.m. Start with about 1 cup at each sitting and soak kibble in water to soften a bit before putting the bowl down for the pup. Once the pup grows, I still add in a bit of water but do not soak the kibble, increase kibble amount as he/she grows.

HOUSEBREAKING: Use small dog biscuits or soft treats for training. If when you take the pup out in your yard and also carry a treat in your pocket it will help with training. Every time the pup does something positive, you may give him a treat and say “good boy/girl”. This also works with housebreaking too. Use “positive reinforcement training” always. The puppies have been raised to use a “potty box” with puppy pads. It might help if necessary to put a puppy pad in a location in your yard (held down by rocks) to start the pup off by letting him know where you would prefer the pup to go. This does not always work but sometimes does so it’s worth a try. Also let the puppy out right after he wakes up and after he eats. If you are going to be gone any length of time, an X-pen (exercise pen) is a good thing to have. A crate can also be placed in the pen so they know to go in there to sleep but not do anything in the crate. Crate training works well but remember a tiny pup cannot go long before they have to go out so if you do not do the exercise pen route then you will have to be ready to jump up to let the pup out when they fuss. They do catch on fairly quickly though if you are on top of it all. They do use them during the night though and will use them to piddle on during the day.

WATER: Always provide water for the puppy. If he plays in the water bowl, try to discourage but realize that they are Labradors. They like water. I find putting down a bathmat under the water bowl works fairly well.

BEDTIME: The pups now get up about 5:00 or when they notice it is getting light. You will have to experiment with how late you need to take them out at night. At first, I think you will find they will have to go outside at least once during the night. I would suggest turning a light off if you want the pup to be quiet. If I leave a light on, they play.

VACCINES: The pup will need to have at least two more sets of vaccines usually every four weeks until they reach 16 weeks approximately. If you dog has any contact with rodents, Lepto (Leptospirosis) is something you want to discuss with your vet. You can lose a dog to Lepto, so understand how devastating this organism can be. FMI: Read-<http://www.2ndchance.info/leptospirosis.htm>. Also, discuss the Lyme vaccine with your vet. Lyme disease is a debilitating disease caused by a tick bite.

Take your puppy’s vaccination/vet check-up sheet with you for your first puppy visit to your own veterinarian.

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME if you have any questions or concerns on your new puppy.