**PUPPY ADOPTION APPLICATION**

 We value your time and we very much appreciate those of you that take the time to fill out an application.  We receive dozens of emails every week and we take seriously completed applications (vs. “hey, do you have puppies right now?”).  We appreciate that you take the time to complete this and hope you understand the value in assuring a right-fit for you and our puppies.  We respond to those that take the time to tell us more about themselves.  Email us your completed application – Daleydoodle@yahoo.com   THANK YOU so much for your interest in our Sheepadoodles!

**PLEASE MAKE SURE EVERYONE IN THE HOUSEHOLD IS FULLY ON BOARD BEFORE APPLYING AND SUBMITTING INQUIRIES**

1.  What is the timeframe you are thinking of getting a puppy? (NOTE:  we take deposits in advance and assign puppies, on or before, 6 weeks) - God does not provide puppies on specific dates around vacations and travel plans, so some flexibility is necessary.

2.  What gender, color, coat style, or size preferences do you have, if any? (please note, we cannot guarantee adult size/weight, color, coat style) – If you are very set on a particular “look,” we cannot guarantee! Flexibility is key. **Is there a particular puppy on our website you are interested in?** Beyond 3 months, we are not able to inform you of our puppies or their plans.

3.  What type of personality would fit your lifestyle and any other special considerations?  Please keep in mind, all our puppies have great temperaments and it is up to YOU to train them to be what you want - if you have a high energy household, your puppy will become high energy - if you do not train your pup, your puppy will not have manners.

4.  Do you have any children in your household, and their ages? (please note, puppies like to nip/play with their teeth)  If you do have children, are you prepared to give a puppy enough priority?  Puppies need A LOT of exercise - a tired puppy is a good puppy.  Are your children gentle with animals?  Are they aware that a puppy might nip them in play and that the puppy will be rambunctious at first?

5.  Do you have any building/apartment weight restrictions/do you own or rent?  If you do rent, what do you intend on doing if the puppy barks and whines and takes a while to adjust to their new home?  Are your neighbor’s dog friendly?

7. Do you *or anyone* in your household believe in loudly/harshly scolding, hitting, or "punishing" a dog by such methods?

8.  Are you aware of the**costs and** **time commitment**of a puppy and the long-term ownership of a dog?  Please also tell us what you intend to do with your puppy.  Do you walk or hike?   Do you travel a lot?  If so, do you plan to take the puppy?  Do you have the ability to “low impact” exercise each day and play with a dog more than 3 times a day?

9. If something were to happen to you, who will take care of your dog?  If you get the puppy and have buyers remorse, who will take the puppy?   Please understand that our puppies are not for rent, they are for life, even if they bite you and your kids with their puppy shark teeth and cry all night - they are babies and need patience, love, and training.

10. If you have kids and they play sports, what will the dog do all day/night/weekends?  Does your family have the time for a dog that is a social, human loving animal?

​11. Are you ready for a baby?  Are you ready for potentially a week or two of nonstop crying whenever you leave?  Puppy biting and puppy energy can be exhausting.   Are you able to take the first few days or weeks off to bond with the puppy so when eventually you do leave, he is not so scared of the "new" place?

12.  Do you currently have any other dogs in your household?  If so, do they like puppies?

13.  Will you be picking up your puppy or will other arrangements, such as our flight nanny service, need to be made? (Please note, we do try to arrange a group delivery to a 60 mile radius point for every litter but you are also welcome to come). We will not send a crated puppy alone in a plane.

14. Where do you live and what is your contact information?  Please include your full name, living address, email, and phone number.

15. Are there any special considerations or concerns that we should know about?

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16. Please provide us with a reference.  Name and email is fine.

In the best interest for both you and the pup, we do not push our puppies on people. We will most likely try to talk you out of a puppy (especially if you are unsure) - we want committed, solid, ready for 'the puppy work and investment' type owners so that our pups will be successful and happy dogs for their entire lives. Adventures and many fun times should fill their lives.