

Aragorn Labradors

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Agreement Between the Breeder and the New Puppy Owner(s)

- 1) The breeder guarantees to the new owner a functional pet. This puppy/dog has been conscientiously bred and is descended from healthy parents with sound temperaments and with strong conformation, hunting, and/or obedience backgrounds. The breeder is a hobbyist breeder whose primary goal is to produce high quality pets.
- 2) The breeder guarantees that the puppy has been examined by a licensed veterinarian (health clearance enclosed) and has had the first series of vaccinations as well as having been routinely wormed. The new owners have been advised to have a "well puppy check-up" by their own veterinarian and at their expense to occur within 72 hours of taking the puppy home. If the new owner is dissatisfied with the puppy for any reason during the first 72 hours, it can be returned for a full adoption fee refund as long as the puppy has not been harmed in any way due to owner negligence and if all AKC forms are properly signed.
- 3) The breeder guarantees that both parents of this litter have a passing O.F.A. rating for hips and for elbows, have passed an A.C.V.O./C.E.R.F. eye examination within 2 years of breeding, and at least one parent is Optigen A/Normal. The new owner has been informed that all O.F.A records can be researched on the web at www.offa.org. A replacement puppy will be offered to the owner by the breeder in the case of an O.F.A. rating of moderate or severe hip dysplasia (x-rays between 24 - 30 months old and at owner's expense).
- 4) A replacement puppy will be offered if one of the following health problems arises. The breeder guarantees that the owner will have the option of receiving a free replacement puppy from the next breeding.
 - A) An OFA rating of moderate or severe hip dysplasia. X-rays must be taken between 24 – 30 months old, by a veterinarian approved by the breeder, and at the owner's expense. The breeder has the option of requiring a second OFA submittal, with x-rays taken at the breeder's expense, by a veterinarian of the breeder's choosing.
 - B) Progressive Retinal Atrophy (PRA) verified by an Optigen test submitted at the owner's expense.
 - C) Other genetic conditions which result in the puppy not being able to be a functional pet will be considered on an individual basis and replacement will be completely at the breeder's discretion.
- 5) It is at the breeder's discretion to provide a refund for the puppy (in the amount of the adoption fee paid for the puppy) rather than offering a replacement puppy. In either case, the replacement or refund will occur without the owner being required to return the first puppy/dog.
- 6) The breeder guarantees to refund \$75 after passing the AKC Canine Good Citizen Test, or after earning a Labrador Retriever Club Working Certificate or any AKC title.

7) The breeder guarantees that the pedigree information provided is accurate to the best of his knowledge and that the puppy is eligible for AKC registration. If the new owner exercises the option of AKC registration, it is mutually agreed that the prefix Aragorn will be used for the registered name.

8) The new owner agrees that their pet will not be allowed to leave their property without being directly supervised by them or by responsible friends.

9) (a) The new owner agrees to spay/neuter their pet and understands that the breeder is offering limited registration. This means that the dog can not be bred or shown in conformation classes at AKC dog shows without the breeder's official approval. The breeder and owners have discussed the criteria and process by which this approval would be given.

(b) Spaying or neutering prior to 6 months of age will void all guarantees by the breeder. The breeder recommends waiting until at least 7-8 months of age for females and 9-10 months of age for males.

10) The breeder agrees to be available to answer questions and to give advice throughout the puppy/dog's entire life. The new owner agrees to keep the breeder informed of the puppy/dog's well-being periodically over its lifetime and to send an occasional card with a picture (digital pictures as email attachments are better).

11) The new owner agrees to provide proper care (also see enclosure) for the puppy/dog for its entire life. In the event that it becomes necessary to find the puppy/dog new owners, the breeder guarantees to help (at any time during the dog's life) in finding a new home. It is agreed that the breeder will have the first option in any change of ownership. The pup/dog will always have a home with the breeder if needed. Unauthorized change of ownership, as well as improper care or being bred, will void all guarantees.

12) It is mutually agreed that the puppy appears to be of excellent health and sound temperament at the time of leaving for its new home. All new veterinary expenses are the responsibility of the new owners.

AKC litter registration number

puppy date of birth

dam's name

sire's name

breeder's signature/date

new owner's signature/date

Please note that our actual guarantee may have been updated since this was published on our website.