



HOME EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you for your interest in RokiShoals Rhodesian Ridgebacks. This Home Evaluation Questionnaire is for you, the buyer, and the puppy that you plan to bring in as a part of your family. Our litters are carefully planned and the resulting puppies evaluated and carefully placed in loving and hopefully permanent homes. It is hoped that these questions will stimulate and heighten your awareness of the responsibilities involved with owning a dog. Carefully consider the time required and the expense of raising a puppy. Please thoughtfully and honestly complete this questionnaire and return it to me.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Contact: Home _____ Cell _____

Work _____ Other _____

Email _____

1. What traits are you looking for in a dog? Why do you want a Rhodesian Ridgeback? _____

2. Have you owned a Ridgeback before? _____

3. If so, where did you acquire the Ridgeback and what happened to him/her? _____

4. Is this puppy for yourself? _____ Is everyone in your home excited about a new puppy? _____
5. If married, do both work? _____ Your hours? _____
Your partner's hours? _____
6. How many children at home? _____ Ages: _____
7. Who will have primary responsibility for the puppy's care? _____

8. Do you own or rent? _____ House/Condo/Apartment? _____
9. Where will the dog be housed? (Please elaborate) _____

10. Approximate size of yard: _____
11. Is the yard fenced? _____ Type of fence: _____ Height: _____
Is the fence solid and secure? _____
Type of gates: _____ Can gates be opened by children? _____
12. What type of improvements are needed to provide a secure yard? _____

Are you willing to make these improvements? _____
13. What other pets do you have? _____

14. Where did you acquire these pets? _____
How long have you had them? _____
15. Have you had dogs before? _____ What happened to them? _____

16. Do you consider the dog/s your currently have as passive or aggressive towards people? _____
_____ toward other animals? _____
17. Dogs live for many years. Can you commit for the lifespan of the dog? _____
18. Early socialization is key to the development of a well balanced Ridgeback. Are you and your family willing to commit time and energy to the early socialization of a puppy? _____

19. Have you considered whether your lifestyle is so busy that you may not have sufficient time or energy to properly raise a puppy? _____
20. If you have small children, are you willing to accept the additional responsibility of raising a puppy as well as your children? _____ This includes teaching the proper handling of a live animal.
21. If you plan to have children at a later date, do you feel that your dog can remain an integral part of your family with infants in the house? _____
22. Does everyone in your home want a Ridgeback? _____
23. What other breeds have you considered? _____
24. What are your behavior expectations of an adult Ridgeback? _____

25. How much time and effort can you devote to training your dog? _____

26. Are you likely to enroll your dog in obedience training? _____ Would you be attending obedience classes with your dog? _____
27. Are you interested in showing your Ridgeback in conformation? _____ Would you consider working with your breeder on having your dog in the show ring? _____
28. Would you be willing to sign a non-breeding agreement until the dog is tested clear of genetic disorders? _____

29. Have you considered competing in Agility, Obedience, lure coursing, etc.? _____

30. Are you thinking of breeding your dog? _____

31. Do you plan to spay or neuter? _____

32. What is your preference, if any, of sex in a puppy? _____ Would you consider taking the opposite? _____

33. What is your preference in nose color? _____ Would you consider taking the opposite? _____

34. Are you willing to commit to me that at anytime in this puppy's life should it need a new home, it would be returned to me for evaluation and placement? _____

35. How did you hear of RokiShoals Rhodesian Ridgebacks? _____

36. Comments/suggestions/questions: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Breeder: _____ Date: _____