

**CHEROKEE SHEPHERDS**

*Jean Heinle, Owner-Breeder*

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**Contract and Guarantee**

**TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP**

**Breeder and/or Owner, Jean Heinle, hereby transfers the ownership of the following identified puppy to the New Owner (s) on the date of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.**

**AKC and/or UKC Registration Number (s)**

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**Identification (Call Name or Color of Collar)**

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**Microchip/Tattoo (Type, Location and Number)**

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**Birthdate, Sex and Markings**

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**Sire**

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**Dam**

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**New Owner/Co-Owner Name, Address and Phone Number (as it will appear on AKC/UKC registration):**

## REGISTRATION

This puppy is sold as **PET QUALITY** for the purchase price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Payment Arrangements - \_\_\_\_\_

This puppy is sold as **SHOW/BREEDING QUALITY** for the purchase price of  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Arrangements - \_\_\_\_\_

All puppies are sold with Limited registration.\* If puppy is sold as pet quality, puppy cannot be used for breeding and must be spayed or neutered and must not be allowed to breed. You will be given a COPY of your registration papers at time of sale. Original registration papers will not be given until proof of spay or neuter is sent to Breeder.

If puppy is sold as breeding/show quality, you will be given limited registration papers at time of sale and full registration will be granted once hip/elbow x-rays are done to verify acceptable hips AND elbows (PennHip, OVC or OFA) . The x-rays must be done after the puppy has turned two years of age. *Under no circumstances*, will full registration be granted until the puppy is at least two years of age and the hip/elbow certifications have been completed. Purchaser must pay the fee to AKC to lift the limited registration to full registration. Only after this has been completed will the puppy be allowed to breed.

New owners have one year from date of issue of registration application to register their puppy in their name. AKC Registration is currently \$20 and UKC Registration is \$16. There is a penalty charged for late registration. The registered name of puppy must include **CHEROKEE** in the *beginning* of the name. We are proud of ALL the puppies we produce and hope that you will be proud that your puppy came from **CHEROKEE**. You must register your puppy with the name of **CHEROKEE** (in the front of the registered name) to honor our guarantee.

\*Exception - If a puppy is sold to a buyer outside the U.S. and registration papers are desired, puppy will be sold with full registration and at full registration price. The same requirement is expected in reference above to hip and elbow certifications prior to breeding.

## HIP GUARANTEE

Breeding and Show Quality puppies must be x-rayed and are guaranteed to pass OFA/OVC or receive a report from Pennhip with no indication of dysplasia. If a puppy comes back at two years of age with a report of subluxation *only*, you must repeat the x-rays at a later time (at least 6 months after date of original x-ray) before determining that the puppy will not pass OFA/OVC. If there is indication of "remodeling of the femoral head" or "shallow acetabulum", then there is no need to repeat the x-ray. Puppies who do not pass OFA and receive a mild or moderate result of dysplasia are still able to lead a normal pet life and will be considered Pet Quality and a replacement puppy of Show

Quality will be offered at half price. Puppies who receive a report of severe dysplasia will be refunded a replacement puppy of Show/Breeding Quality free of charge.

Pet Quality Puppies who are diagnosed with hip or elbow dysplasia must also have reports sent to OFA to confirm diagnosis. The dog must be in obvious pain and this must be documented by a veterinarian. A replacement Pet Quality puppy will be offered at half price (for reports of mild and moderate). If a Pet Quality puppy is diagnosed with severe dysplasia, a replacement Pet Quality puppy will be offered at no charge. Just as in the case of Breeding/Show Quality puppies who come back with reports of subluxation, a second report must be done at least 6 months later, to confirm dysplasia. Often, a fast growing puppy will show subluxated only to x-ray normal when he finishes growing. Subluxation (looseness) with no remodeling of the femoral head, does not cause pain and could be a temporary situation that will correct itself.

No refunds will be given for a report of Panosteitis (growing pains), as this can be controlled by proper feeding and the puppy will outgrow it.

### HEALTH/GENETIC GUARANTEE

The new owner has 5 days from date of transfer of ownership to obtain a veterinary well puppy checkup from their veterinarian and notify Breeder of the Exam Results. If the puppy is found to be unhealthy (a written diagnosis from the veterinarian must be provided), the puppy may be returned for a FULL REFUND. No cash refunds will be given after 5 days from date of transfer.

As the Breeder of your new puppy, I have done everything I can to ensure that the health of your puppy is excellent. I only breed adult dogs that have OFA or Penn Hip certified hips with no evidence of dysplasia and who have no genetic health conditions. Understand that with genetics, and breeding dogs specifically, nothing is 100% guaranteed - although it is rare, even with the best of planning and breeding, undesirable genetic conditions do occur even out of normal, healthy parents. Your puppy is guaranteed to be suitable for the purpose of which he was purchased. If you have purchased a Pet Quality puppy and the puppy is diagnosed with a health condition that requires euthanasia or causes sudden death, you will be given a replacement puppy of equal value. Please Note - at Breeder's expense, Breeder reserves the right to a second opinion prior to euthanasia. If you do not give us this right to a second opinion, no replacement puppy will be offered. If you have purchased a Breeding Quality puppy and the puppy has a genetic condition that allows him to live a healthy pet quality life, yet is something that should not be used in a breeding program, you will be allowed to choose a second puppy at half price (the difference between a pet quality puppy and a breeding quality puppy). A written diagnosis from a veterinarian must be provided and although the owners may keep the puppy, he/she must be spayed or neutered prior to receiving a replacement puppy and documentation of the altering must be provided to Breeder. Please contact us BEFORE you spay or neuter the puppy to get our approval of a replacement puppy due. If you have allowed the dog to breed, then you are accepting the dog to be in good health and suitable for breeding and no replacement guarantee will be honored. All costs associated with returning a puppy to

Breeder for replacement (if so desired, or you may keep the puppy if you wish) and having the replacement puppy shipped (if necessary) to Purchaser's location will be paid for by Purchaser.

### ADDITIONAL PAPERWORK

Puppy will also come with a 4 generation pedigree, copies of OFA and/or PENNHIP certificates on both parents, vaccination/de-worming schedule and pictures of both parents and grandparents (if available). Articles of interest will also be included in your puppy packet.

### NEW OWNER OBLIGATIONS

New owners promise to provide puppy a kind and loving environment, with proper care and necessary veterinarian care. Puppy must be taken through an obedience/socialization class by 4- 6 months of age. I cannot stress enough, the importance of obedience class and socialization for a German Shepherd puppy. No guarantee will be honored without written documentation of completing the class. The personality of a puppy is well developed by 4-6 months of age and improper socialization (or lack of) can result in an overly anxious/or fearful puppy when attempting socialization as a much older pup or adult. A well mannered puppy does NOT just happen, your puppy will become what you allow him to become.

Breeder may be contacted at any time for advice and concerns. Please do not hesitate to call if you have questions about your puppy. An occasional update and picture of puppy would be greatly appreciated. New owners must keep address and phone number current with Breeder. Legal actions will be taken to return puppy to Breeder if reports of neglect are indicated. It is our sincere desire to find Forever Homes for our puppies. Do not take ownership of a puppy lightly, if you are not prepared to care for this puppy for his entire lifetime (10-15 years) then do not adopt one of our puppies. We do understand that there are situations that cannot be helped or foreseen. If for ANY reason the new owners can no longer keep the puppy they MUST notify Breeder immediately and the puppy must be returned to the Breeder. You may not resale a puppy you buy from us without our permission. *Under no circumstance* is a CHEROKEE puppy ever to be taken to the Humane Society or turned over to a Rescue Organization. Humane Societies and Rescue Organizations are for unwanted puppies - no CHEROKEE puppy is ever unwanted. We will take back any puppy that we produce or sell. Legal action will be taken against the Purchaser if you do not contact us to allow us to make arrangements to have the puppy returned to us. By signing this contract, you are accepting that responsibility.

New Owner:

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**Co-Owner:**

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**Breeder:**

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***Contact numbers for Breeder***

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**Email at Home: [jeanheinle@verizon.net](mailto:jeanheinle@verizon.net)**

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