**Puppy Questionnaire**

**Blackboots Australian Shepherds**

Our puppies leave our home as a member of our family, and we want to get to know their new families to make sure that they will be a good fit. This gives us an opportunity to learn what your experiences are with dogs and Aussies in particular. We want to know what you are looking for in a puppy and your expectations. When a puppy leaves our home, our expectation is that they are going to their forever home.

 This does not guarantee that we will have a puppy for you. We do not place puppies before we do evaluations, usually at 7-8 weeks, upon when we take careful consideration to each puppy’s personality and structure. We want to best match our puppies to their new families using this information to make the best placement decisions. Due to this, we do not place puppies on the basis of first-come first-serve.

 As much as possible, we will try to match any requests that you have as far as gender/color, but we may not feel like that specific puppy is a good fit for you, in which case we may not have a puppy for you. If it doesn’t work out for you to have a puppy from our litter we would be happy to refer you to another breeder with puppies.

 Please answer as honestly as you are able. This helps us make the best choices for you and the puppies. Please return this filled out questionnaire either by email(preferred), in person, or by mail. After I receive it, I will reach back out to you with more information about our upcoming litter.

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**About You**

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Mobile phone:

Home phone:

Email address:

Occupation:

Typical weekly work schedule:

Other adults in the household:

Children-Name(optional) and age:

Type of home (ex. House, apartment, etc):

Type of yard:

Approximate Size:

 Is the yard completely fenced?

 If so, please describe the type and height of fencing.

 If no fence, how do you plan to adequately exercise the puppy?

Do you have any other dogs?

If so, please list them, including breed, age, sex, and if spayed/neutered.

How do your dogs get along with new dogs/puppies?

Other than these dogs, please tell us about any other dogs that you have had in the last 10 years that are no longer with you. (what happened to them)

Do you have any cats? If so, are they inside or outside?

Do you have any other pets?

Do you have a regular Veterinarian? Would you mind if we called them for a reference? If so, please provide their name and number:

Who will be taking care of your Aussie pup? (exercise, feed, train)

If you work, how will the puppy spend the day? (crate, etc)

How many hours will the puppy spend alone during the day?

Where will the puppy live? (House, garage, yard/dog house, kennel, other?)

When you’re home?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 When you’re gone? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 When sleeping at night?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you are not planning to show your dog, are you willing to spay/neuter?

If you have competed with dogs before, please tell us about those dogs and titles earned.

How did you learn about us? Are there any references you would like to supply?

**About the Puppy**

Why did you choose an Australian Shepherd?

What is your intention for your Aussie? (Check all the apply)

\_\_ Companion
\_\_Show

\_\_Performance

\_\_Breeding
\_\_Other? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What activities are you planning to participate in(if any) with the puppy. (Check all that apply)

\_\_Agility

\_\_Conformation(Showing)

\_\_Flyball

\_\_Frisbee

\_\_Farm work

\_\_Herding

\_\_Hiking/jogging

\_\_Junior Handling

\_\_Obedience/Rally

\_\_Tracking

\_\_Therapy Dog
\_\_Other? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What gender?

 \_\_Male

 \_\_Female
 \_\_No preference

If you do have a preference, but that sex is not available, would you be interested in a puppy of the opposite sex?

Color preference? List any preferences in order (ex: Red tri, black tri, red merle, blue merle).