LakeHaus Shorthairs

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Full Registration Co-Ownership Contract for Conformation Show Prospects

An agreement between LakeHaus Ke					
Dog's Registered Name (herein referi	red to as "the dog")				
Registration #	Litter	·#			
Date of Birth		Sex:	Male	Female	
Sire					_
Dam					
Microchip #	Color				

1. Purchase Price and Registration

a. The above identified dog is a purebred German Shorthaired Pointer and will be registered with the American Kennel Club with the buyer listed as the owner, on a Full Registration. The dog's registered name must contain LakeHaus' as a prefix of the registered name. Ownership shall be transferred to the buyer upon receipt of the total purchase price. The buyer will receive the registration papers within six (6) months of the date of sale. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) cannot be held liable for delays in the processing of the registration papers by the AKC.

- b. The Buyer may not alter, remove, or exclude Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) from any registration documents or online registry information for the duration of the co-ownership unless written approval is provided by Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels).
- c. The total purchase price of the dog is \$_______, of which a non-refundable holding fee of \$500.00 has been paid to reserve the dog. This holding fee will be applied toward the purchase price. The remaining balance must be paid in full before the Buyer takes possession of the dog, unless a separate written payment agreement has been executed by both parties.
- d. All payments must be made by cash, certified check, money order, or electronic invoice issued by Ashley Young (Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels)). A returned check does not constitute payment, and the Buyer agrees to pay all associated bank fees for any returned or dishonored payments.
- e. If the dog is to be shipped, all fees—including the purchase balance, shipping costs, and any required charges—must be paid in full prior to the scheduled shipping date.
- f. The Buyer is responsible for all shipping expenses. Puppies purchased on a payment plan require a signed Payment Agreement before possession of the dog will be transferred.

2. Health

- a. The dog is sold in good health, free of communicable diseases to the extent such conditions can be reasonably determined by visual examination. The dog has received age-appropriate immunizations and has been properly identified for registration purposes as of the date of sale.
- b. The health of the dog is guaranteed for three (3) days from the date of transfer, during which the Buyer may have the dog examined by a licensed veterinarian at the Buyer's discretion and expense. If the veterinarian determines the dog to be of unsatisfactory health, the Buyer must provide written documentation from that licensed veterinarian within the three (3) day period.
- c. Upon receipt of written documentation and the return of the dog and its registration papers within the specified timeframe, the Breeder will, at the Breeder's discretion:
 - i. replace the dog with the next available comparable prospect or a mutually agreeable replacement, or
 - ii. refund 100% of the purchase price, minus any shipping fees or expenses incurred by Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels).
- d. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) is not liable for any injury, illness, or damage resulting from negligence, accident, delay in veterinary care, environmental factors, or events occurring after the dog leaves the Breeder's possession.

3. Return of Puppy

a. The Buyer may return the dog to Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) within fourteen (14) days of the date of sale and receive a refund of the purchase price, minus the non-refundable holding fee. The dog must be returned in the same general health and condition as when sold, allowing only for normal age-appropriate changes that occur naturally in puppies over a short period of time.

b. All expenses associated with returning the dog to Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) are the sole responsibility of the Buyer. A refund will be issued within six (6) months of the dog's return or sooner if the dog is resold, at the sole discretion of Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels).

4. Temperament

- a. The dog is sold with a sound, stable temperament as is appropriate for its age and development at the time it leaves Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels). Ongoing temperament stability depends on proper handling, socialization, training, and a suitable living environment provided by the Buyer. The Buyer agrees to provide routine socialization, age-appropriate obedience training, and regular positive interaction to support the dog's emotional and behavioral development.
- b. The dog may not be chained, tied out, allowed to run loose, subjected to teasing, physical punishment, neglect, or placed in situations likely to create fear or behavioral instability. The dog must be safely confined when unsupervised, such as in an appropriate kennel, crate, or secure enclosure, and may not be left to roam or manage itself unsupervised.

5. Health Guarantee

- a. The dog is guaranteed against severe, disabling hereditary defects that affect quality of life or prevent the dog from functioning as a companion or working animal. Specifically, the dog is guaranteed to be free from severe hip dysplasia and other hereditary, debilitating defects diagnosed by twenty-four (24) months of age.
- b. If the dog is diagnosed with a hereditary defect that significantly impairs its quality of life or results in a substantially shortened lifespan, the Buyer must provide documentation from a licensed veterinarian. A condition qualifies as hereditary only if three (3) licensed veterinarians—agreed upon by both parties—reach unanimous agreement that the defect is inherited and not caused by injury, nutrition, environment, over-exercise, or neglect. The Buyer is responsible for all veterinary expenses related to the evaluation.
- c. If a qualifying hereditary defect is confirmed, the Breeder will offer one of the following remedies:
 - i. a replacement puppy of comparable quality at no cost, provided the original dog is spayed or neutered, or
 - ii. if the defect is severe enough that humane euthanasia is recommended by a licensed veterinarian, the Buyer may elect either a replacement puppy or a refund of the original purchase price.
- d. Any remedy offered shall be fulfilled within one (1) year of confirmation of the hereditary defect. This guarantee does not apply to conditions resulting from accident, injury, neglect, overfeeding, underfeeding, excessive exercise, environmental factors, infectious diseases, or any non-disabling cosmetic traits (including, but not limited to, overbite or underbite).

6. Release of Liability

a. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) is not responsible for any expenses incurred by the Buyer for or on behalf of this dog—including, but not limited to, veterinary care, training, transportation, boarding, or equipment—without prior written consent from

Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels). Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) is not liable for any injury, damage, or loss caused by the dog after it has left the possession of the Breeder.

7. Show Prospect

- a. This dog is sold as a Show Prospect based on its age-appropriate structure, temperament, breed type, and potential at the time of placement. Continued development into a competitive conformation dog depends heavily on proper care, nutrition, training, conditioning, and socialization provided by the Buyer. "Proper care" includes, but is not limited to, regular exercise, appropriate nutrition, routine grooming, bathing, socialization, and age-appropriate obedience and show-training.
- b. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) does not guarantee that a dog sold with show potential will earn a Championship or any specific title. The Breeder makes no warranty, expressed or implied, that this dog will win in the show ring. Many factors outside the Breeder's control—including, but not limited to, the dog's physical development, injury, illness, diet, conditioning, training, grooming, handling, and the subjective opinions of judges—can influence a dog's success in competition.

8. Agreement to Compete

- a. The Buyer understands that a dog's success in the conformation ring depends on multiple factors, including the dog's physical condition and presentation, the skill of the handler, the show environment, and the subjective evaluation of individual judges. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) makes no guarantee of winning or earning titles.
- b. Dogs sold as Show Prospects are expected to be actively campaigned. The Buyer agrees to enter and exhibit the dog in a minimum of eight (8) AKC conformation shows per calendar year, beginning when the dog is of eligible age and development. The Buyer agrees to keep the dog in proper show condition and to work consistently toward earning its AKC Championship.
- c. If the Buyer fails to make reasonable progress toward this requirement, Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) reserves the right to handle and exhibit the dog themselves—location permitting—at the Buyer's expense, or to arrange for a professional handler to campaign the dog, also at the Buyer's expense. These measures ensure the dog is provided with the opportunity to fulfill its show potential as agreed upon at the time of sale.

9. Development of Fault

- a. If a dog sold as a Show Prospect is later diagnosed with a hereditary or disqualifying defect that prevents the dog from being shown or from obtaining an AKC Championship, the Buyer may retain the dog as a companion, and Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) will offer a replacement Show Prospect from the next available litter. No monetary refund is provided, as Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) does not charge a higher price for show-quality puppies.
- b. A defect qualifies under this clause only if documented by a licensed veterinarian and confirmed as hereditary by mutual agreement of both parties or by supporting veterinary evidence. Replacement will be fulfilled within one (1) year of confirmed

diagnosis, subject to availability. The original dog must be spayed or neutered prior to receiving a replacement puppy, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.

10. Competing Towards Title

- a. If the Buyer believes the dog is unable to obtain its Championship title, Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) reserves the sole discretion to determine whether:
 - i. the dog does not meet the requirements of a Show Prospect due to lack of structure, temperament, or soundness, or
 - ii. the lack of progress is due to handling, conditioning, training, or other factors unrelated to the dog's quality.
- b. If the Breeder determines that the dog remains of show quality but is not being shown or handled effectively, Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) may require that the dog be shown by a handler selected by the Breeder, at the Buyer's expense, to continue toward the dog's Championship.

11. Pre-Breeding Requirements

- a. The dog may not be bred until ALL of the following conditions have been met. These requirements are mandatory and must be completed prior to any breeding, whether natural or artificial.
- b. The dog has reached a minimum of twenty-four (24) months of age.
- c. The dog has earned a CHIC number through OFA by completing all required health testing with acceptable results, including:
 - i. Hips: Radiographs submitted to OFA, PennHIP, or an equivalent registry, with a passing score of OFA Fair, Good, or Excellent, or PennHIP results within breed appropriate range and free of degenerative joint disease.
 - ii. Elbows: Radiographs submitted to OFA with a result of Normal.
 - iii. Eyes: A current eye exam performed by a board-certified veterinary ophthalmologist (ACVO), submitted to OFA, showing the dog is free of hereditary ocular disease.
 - iv. Cone Degeneration (CD): DNA test submitted to OFA showing Clear or Carrier status. If Carrier, breeding may only occur to a Clear mate and must be approved by Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels).
 - v. Cardiac: A cardiac examination performed by a board-certified veterinary cardiologist (ACVC), submitted to OFA, showing the dog is free of congenital or hereditary cardiac disease.
- d. The dog has not developed any hereditary faults, structural defects, or breed-standard
- e. disqualifications that render it unsuitable for breeding or showing.
- f. The dog has obtained one of the following titles:
 - i. AKC Champion (CH)
 - ii. AKC Master Hunter (MH)
 - iii. NAVHDA Gun Dog Test (GDT) or Utility Test (UT) Prize I–III (or a higher equivalent title approved by Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels))
- g. No breeding may occur without written approval from Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels). Any breeding done in violation of these requirements is considered a breach of contract and may result in the forfeiture of all breeding rights, co-ownership privileges, and/or registration privileges.

12. Appropriate Match - Breeding

- a. Buyer agrees that this dog will only be bred to German Shorthaired Pointers that meet ALL of the following requirements:
 - i. are eligible for registration with the American Kennel Club (AKC United States) or the Canadian Kennel Club (CKC Canada);
 - 1. Dogs registered only through NAVHDA are permitted only if they are also eligible for AKC or CKC registration. NAVHDA registration alone is not sufficient for breeding approval.
 - ii. produce progeny that are eligible for, and will be properly registered with, the AKC or CKC;
 - iii. are selected with the purpose of improving the breed and not for profit-driven or convenience-based breeding;
 - iv. have comparable health clearances (hips, elbows, eyes, cardiac, and DNA testing),
 - v. stable temperament, and no breed-standard disqualifying faults;
 - vi. have earned a title judged under multiple passes or judges, such as an AKC or CKC Conformation title, AKC or CKC Performance/Obedience title, an AKC Hunt Test title or a NAVHDA Gun Dog Test (GDT) or Utility Test (UT) Prize I–III.
- b. Dogs registered through unrecognized or alternate registries (including but not limited to Continental Kennel Club, APRI, ACA, NAPR, and similar organizations) are strictly prohibited as breeding partners.

13. Responsibilities as Breeder

a. The Buyer understands and agrees that, if this dog is ever bred in accordance with the terms of this contract, the Buyer is fully responsible for all puppies produced by this dog for its entire lifetime. The Buyer agrees to screen potential homes, thoughtfully place all puppies in responsible and loving environments, and use a written sales contract for every puppy sold, including spay/neuter requirements where appropriate. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) will provide contract templates for use with future litters upon request.

14. Accidental Breeding

- a. If this dog is bred—whether accidentally or intentionally—before completing all genetic testing, health certifications, and title requirements outlined in this contract, or if the Buyer requests a replacement or refund for any defect, all guarantees in this agreement become void.
- b. Any unauthorized breeding constitutes a breach of contract. In such a case, full ownership of the dog will immediately revert to Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels), and the Buyer shall be responsible for all costs associated with returning the dog to the Breeder.
- c. Puppies produced from any accidental or intentional breeding that occurs before all contractual requirements have been fulfilled are not eligible for registration with the American Kennel Club (AKC), and the Buyer agrees not to attempt to register such offspring under any registry.

15. Buyer Responsibilities

- a. In addition to providing good and reasonable care, the Buyer agrees to the following standards of care and management for the dog:
 - i. The dog will reside in the Buyer's home as a household companion and participating family member, and will be treated humanely with appropriate safeguards for safety and well-being. The dog may also be housed in a secure outdoor kennel as needed for training or routine management, provided it is clean, sheltered, and weather-appropriate.
 - ii. The dog will be safely confined when outdoors by means of a fenced yard, secure kennel run, or leash. The dog will not be kept on a rope, chain, or tether as a primary means of restraint.
 - iii. The dog will be kept clean, properly groomed, and provided with adequate shelter, climate protection, and comfortable living conditions.
 - iv. The Buyer agrees to complete at least one basic obedience course with the dog by six to eight months of age, with the Buyer/Owner serving as the dog's primary handler. Equivalent structured training by an experienced owner is acceptable. Positive, humane training methods are strongly encouraged.
 - v. The Buyer will ensure the dog receives ongoing socialization appropriate for its age and development, including exposure to people, children, animals, and varied environments.
 - vi. The Buyer will follow recommended feeding guidelines appropriate for the dog's age, activity level, and health status.
 - vii. The Buyer will maintain the dog at a healthy, ideal body weight (ribs palpable without excess fat; visible waist from above; abdominal tuck from the side) throughout the dog's lifetime.
 - viii. The Buyer agrees to follow routine veterinary care and recommended health guidelines, including vaccinations, parasite prevention, and prompt treatment of illness or injury.
 - ix. The Buyer will make reasonable efforts to educate themselves about the characteristics, needs, and history of the German Shorthaired Pointer in order to provide appropriate care and management for this breed.

16. Change in Information

- a. The Buyer agrees to notify Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) of any change in address, phone number, or primary contact information for the lifetime of the dog. The Buyer will keep Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) reasonably informed of the dog's progress and agrees to seek guidance from the Breeder regarding any significant behavioral, temperament, or training concerns.
- b. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) must be notified promptly if the dog develops any unusual or serious health problems, or upon the dog's death. Failure to maintain current contact information with Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) or to report significant health issues may void any guarantees provided in this contract.

17. Buyer Assurances

- a. The Buyer shall not transfer, sell, lease, co-own, or otherwise convey ownership or possession of the dog to any person or entity without the prior written consent of Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels).
- b. The Buyer agrees that this dog will never be surrendered to any humane society, animal shelter, rescue organization, or similar facility. The dog, and any of its offspring, shall never be trained, used, sold, leased, or allowed to be used for dog fighting, medical or laboratory research, protection or attack training, or as a guard dog for any individual, business, agency, or organization.
- c. The Buyer further agrees that this dog, and any of its offspring, will never be sold, consigned, leased, auctioned, given, or transferred to any pet shop, puppy broker, puppy mill, commercial breeding operation, or other entity engaged in the resale, mass production, or commercial distribution of dogs.
- d. This dog is to be kept as a family companion, managed humanely, and trained using fair and appropriate methods. Abusive or inhumane training practices are strictly prohibited.

18. Return/Rehome

- a. If at any time the Buyer is no longer able or willing to keep this dog, the dog and its registration papers must be returned to Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels). Ownership shall revert to Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) upon the dog's return. The dog may also be placed in a mutually agreed-upon home, provided Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) has given prior approval. Such approval will not be unreasonably withheld, provided the new owner signs a contract and agrees to all terms required by Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels).
- b. If the dog is returned, Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) will rehome the dog at its discretion. Any proceeds from the dog's placement (if any) will be forwarded to the Buyer after deducting all costs incurred by Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels), including but not limited to: non-refundable deposit, AKC transfer fees, veterinary care, behavioral evaluation or training, advertising, transportation (calculated at \$0.75 per mile), shipping, boarding, and any other expenses related to the dog's care or rehoming.
- c. Refunds, when applicable, will be issued within six (6) months of Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) retaking possession of the dog or upon successful rehoming, whichever occurs first. The Buyer understands that the monetary value of a dog over four (4) months of age may be substantially less than its original purchase price. Dogs returned at six (6) months of age or older are not eligible for any refund.

19. Limitation of Liability & Damages

- a. In no event shall any refund, reimbursement, remuneration, or liability owed by Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) to the Buyer exceed the original purchase price of the dog. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) shall not be responsible for any consequential, incidental, or indirect damages of any kind.
- b. In any legal proceeding arising out of this agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled only to recovery of reasonable court filing fees. Neither party shall be entitled to recover attorney's fees or consequential damages of any kind, except for

the liquidated damages expressly provided for in Clause 21, which both parties agree are not punitive but are a reasonable estimate of anticipated harm.

20. Shelter

a. If this dog is ever found in, surrendered to, or taken into custody by any animal shelter, humane society, rescue organization, or similar facility, all rights of ownership shall immediately and automatically revert to Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels). Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) shall become the sole legal owner of the dog, with full rights to reclaim, possess, and relocate the dog without compensation to the Buyer.

21. Damages

- a. The Buyer acknowledges that Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels), as well as the preservation and integrity of the German Shorthaired Pointer breed, would suffer irreparable harm if this dog were bred in violation of this contract, including but not limited to: breeding prior to required health clearances or titles, breeding to unapproved or unregistered dogs, crossbreeding, or producing litters without meeting all contractual requirements. The parties agree that the actual damages resulting from such a breach would be difficult or impossible to determine.
- b. Accordingly, in the event of any unauthorized breeding or breach of the breeding restrictions contained in this agreement, the Buyer agrees to pay Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) liquidated damages in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), which the parties acknowledge is a reasonable estimate of anticipated damages and not a penalty.
- c. Failure of the Buyer to immediately surrender the dog upon written demand after a contractual breach shall constitute additional breach and entitles Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) to seek immediate repossession through legal action or law enforcement assistance.

22. Security of Obligations and Co-Ownership

- a. To secure the Buyer's performance of all obligations under this agreement, the Buyer grants Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) a security interest in: (1) the dog covered by this contract; (2) any full-registration puppies co-produced by this dog during the term of this contract; and (3) if the dog is a male, any semen collected or stored during the term of this contract. This security interest exists solely to ensure compliance with all breeding restrictions and does not constitute co-ownership of any offspring.
- b. No semen may be collected, frozen, stored, or used without prior written approval from Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) for the duration of this contract.
- c. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) shall remain listed as Primary Co-Owner on all registration documents for the dog until every requirement of this contract has been fully satisfied. As a secured party, Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) is entitled to all rights and remedies available under applicable state law, including those provided under the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) as adopted in the state where this agreement is executed.

d. Co-ownership of the dog shall be released only after the Buyer has completed all contractual obligations, including but not limited to health clearances, titling requirements, and obtaining written approval for any breedings conducted during the contract period. All breedings involving this dog must receive prior written approval from Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) for the duration of this contract.

23. Animal Cruelty

a. The Buyer attests that he/she has never been investigated for, charged with, or convicted of any offense involving animal cruelty, neglect, abuse, abandonment, or similar violations of animal welfare laws at any time. The Buyer further agrees to immediately disclose to Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) if any such investigation or allegation arises in the future.

24. Location of Litigation

a. This agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Alaska. Any dispute, claim, or controversy arising out of or relating to this agreement shall be brought exclusively in a court of competent jurisdiction located in the State of Alaska, within the county or borough of Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels)' residence. The Buyer agrees to submit to the personal jurisdiction and venue of such courts.

25. Agreement

- a. This agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns.
- b. If the dog is obtained through false pretenses, or if the Buyer fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this agreement, all guarantees shall be rendered null and void. Such breach constitutes grounds for immediate repossession of the dog and its registration papers by Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels), without any compensation to the Buyer.
- c. By signing below, the Buyer acknowledges that he/she has read and understands this contract, has had the opportunity to ask questions or seek clarification, and voluntarily agrees to all terms contained herein. No provision of this agreement may be amended or waived except in writing and signed by both the Buyer and Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels). This contract contains the entire agreement between the parties, and no other warranties or guarantees are expressed or implied beyond those specifically stated herein.
- d. Buyer must initial each page of this agreement to acknowledge review and acceptance of all terms.