LakeHaus Shorthairs

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Limited Registration Contract for Companion-Level Hunting Prospect 2026

An agreement between LakeHaus Kennel and the Buyer(s)	
Dog's Registered Name (herein referred to as "the d	og'')
LakeHaus'	
Registration #	Litter #
Date of Birth	Sex: Male Female
Sire	
Dam	
	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 Limited 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 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.
- c. 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.
- d. 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.
- e. 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 ageappropriate 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. Hunt Prospect

- a. This dog is sold as a Hunting Prospect based on age-appropriate structure, temperament, drive, and instinct observed at the time of placement. Continued development into a capable hunting dog depends heavily on proper care, conditioning, socialization, training, and exposure provided by the Buyer. "Proper care" includes, but is not limited to, appropriate physical conditioning, field exposure, bird work, obedience training, and safe, gradual introduction to gunfire.
- b. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) does not guarantee that a dog sold as a Hunting Prospect will earn hunting titles or pass hunt tests. Many factors outside the Breeder's control—including conditioning, training methods, handler skill, environmental conditions, judge discretion, and the dog's developmental experiences—may affect a dog's field performance. The Buyer acknowledges that gun shyness is not hereditary and results from improper or insufficient exposure, and agrees that Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) is not responsible for dogs that become gun shy.

8. Agreement to Compete

- a. Dogs sold as Hunting Prospects under this contract are required to be evaluated through an appropriate hunting test organization in order to confirm instinct, trainability, and field aptitude. The Buyer agrees to complete one of the following performance requirements:
 - i. A NAVHDA Natural Ability (NA) test prior to sixteen (16) months of age, OR
 - ii. An AKC Junior Hunter (JH) title (or higher) by twenty-four (24) months of age.
- b. Completion of one of these tests ensures that each dog receives objective evaluation under standardized conditions and helps verify the dog's developmental progress as a working prospect.
- c. The Buyer understands that a dog's ability to succeed in field tests depends on numerous factors, including but not limited to: early socialization, exposure to birds and gunfire, physical conditioning, training methods, handler skill, and environmental conditions. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) does not guarantee that any dog will earn a specific title or score.
- d. The Buyer agrees not to enter any field test, hunt test, or assessment unless the dog has received appropriate preparation and training for that testing level. Entering a dog that is unprepared may result in unnecessary stress to the dog, improper evaluation, and reflects negatively on the breeder, the breed, and responsible field practices. The Buyer agrees to train appropriately, seek guidance when needed, and ensure the dog is developmentally ready prior to entering any test.
- e. Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) will reimburse entry fees for one (1) NAVHDA Natural Ability test, up to \$150, for any dog that completes the test and earns a Prize I–III. Proof of completion and the official score must be submitted to Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) within six (6) months of the test date to qualify for reimbursement.

9. Testing Exemption

a. Reasonable exemptions from the testing requirement may be granted only with prior written approval from Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels). Any exemption granted does not automatically confer breeding approval unless all other contractual breeding requirements are fully met and written approval is given.

10. Spay and Neuter Agreement

- a. This dog is sold as a pet/companion only, with no guarantee the dog will be of show or breeding quality. The dog must be spayed or neutered between eighteen (18) and twenty-four (24) months of age.
- b. If the dog is not spayed or neutered within the required timeframe, this shall constitute a breach of contract, and the Buyer agrees to pay Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) liquidated damages in the amount of four (4) times the purchase price of the dog. The parties agree that this amount represents a reasonable estimate of the damages that would result from the risk of unauthorized breeding and the undermining of the Breeder's program, and is not a penalty.
- c. Spaying or neutering before eighteen (18) months of age will void all health guarantees in this contract.

11. Limited Registration

- d. This dog is sold under an American Kennel Club (AKC) Limited Registration, which shall remain in place for the dog's lifetime. Under Limited Registration:
 - i. No offspring of this dog may be registered with the AKC (or any comparable foreign registry).
 - ii. No offspring may be represented, advertised, or sold as purebred.
- b. The dog may not be bred at any time, under any circumstance.
- c. This agreement is permanent, unless Ashley Young (LakeHaus Kennels) provides written authorization to lift the Limited Registration—such approval is rare and is granted solely at the discretion of the Breeder.
- d. Nothing in this contract shall be interpreted as guaranteeing that Limited Registration will ever be lifted. Dogs sold as companion-only are not eligible for breeding approval under any circumstance.

12. 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, with attention to seasonal hunting conditions such as cold water work, rough terrain, and weather extremes.
 - 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

- primary handler. Equivalent structured training by an experienced handler is acceptable. Positive, humane training methods are strongly encouraged, including clear communication and appropriate timing.
- v. The Buyer will ensure appropriate socialization and exposure for a hunting dog, including but not limited to: birds, field environments, water, varied terrain, noise desensitization, and a correct, gradual introduction to gunfire.
- vi. The Buyer agrees to avoid rushed or unsafe exposure practices that may create fear or gun shyness.
- vii. The Buyer will follow feeding guidelines suitable for an active sporting dog, adjusting caloric intake as needed during hunting season, off-season, conditioning periods, and field training.
- viii. The Buyer will maintain the dog at a healthy, working weight, with ribs easily palpable, a visible waist, and appropriate muscle tone for an athletic sporting breed.
- ix. The Buyer agrees to follow routine veterinary care and recommended health guidelines, including vaccinations, parasite prevention, injury management, hydration, foot care, and any necessary field-specific health precautions.
- x. The Buyer will make reasonable efforts to educate themselves on the working needs and characteristics of the German Shorthaired Pointer, including its drive, stamina, hunting instincts, and training requirements, in order to provide appropriate care and management throughout the dog's lifetime.

13. 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.

14. 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.

15. 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.

16. 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 18, which both parties agree are not punitive but are a reasonable estimate of anticipated harm.

17. 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.

18. 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 in violation of the Limited Registration provisions, breeding prior to the required spay/neuter, crossbreeding, or producing litters without meeting all contractual requirements.
- 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.

19. 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.

20. 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.

21. 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.