LakeHaus Shorthairs

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Holding Fee & Reservation Agreement

1. Holding Fee & Reservation Terms

- a. The Buyer agrees to place a non-refundable holding fee of \$500.00 to reserve a puppy from the __ litter. This holding fee guarantees that one puppy will be held for the Buyer until the puppy reaches at least eight (8) weeks of age and no later than ten (10) weeks, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.
- b. The Buyer understands that this Holding Fee Agreement does not replace the full Puppy Purchase Contract. The Buyer agrees to sign the full, final contract prior to the puppy going home. Failure to sign the final contract voids placement.

2. Purchase Price & Payment Conditions

- a. The total purchase price of the Puppy is \$2,500.00. After applying the \$500.00 non-refundable holding fee, the remaining balance of \$2,000.00 is due at the time of puppy assessments and no later than forty-nine (49) days of age. This purchase price does not include delivery or shipping costs, which are calculated separately.
- b. If the remaining balance is not paid within five (5) days of written notification that the Puppy is available, the Breeder may offer the Puppy to another buyer without further obligation to the original Buyer.
- c. Holding fees are non-refundable. Failure of the Buyer to complete the purchase may result in lost opportunities for the Breeder to place the Puppy, and retention of the holding fee compensates the Breeder for this potential loss. The holding fee signifies the Buyer's intent to move forward with a puppy from this litter.
- d. If the Buyer does not agree with the Breeder's placement recommendation, or if the Breeder determines that no available puppy is suitable for the Buyer's stated goals, lifestyle, or experience, the holding fee may be transferred to a future litter.
- e. A holding fee may be transferred one (1) time. Additional transfers are at the Breeder's discretion.
- f. The Breeder reserves the right to void this transaction and refund the holding fee if information arises indicating that the Buyer may not be a suitable home. If the litter produces insufficient puppies, or if a puppy becomes unavailable due to illness, injury, or unforeseen circumstances, the holding fee may be transferred to the next available litter or refunded at the Breeder's discretion.

g. The Buyer agrees that all payments are final and waives any right to reverse charges or initiate chargebacks through their bank, credit card provider, PayPal, or similar services. Any disputes must be resolved directly with the Breeder.

3. Puppy Placement & Evaluation Process

- a. 1st Pick Male and 1st Pick Female are reserved by the Breeder to retain, sell, or place at the Breeder's discretion. Any puppies deemed Show Potential will be held for approved show homes before being offered to Hunting/Performance or Companion homes, regardless of buyer pick order.
- b. All remaining puppies will be placed according to the best match for each applicant's stated goals, lifestyle, and experience. Placement order corresponds to the order in which holding fees are received and the type of home requested, and is used only to determine the sequence in which homes are considered—not the buyer's right to choose a puppy.
- c. If multiple applicants desire similar traits, temperament evaluations and drive assessments will be performed and recorded weekly beginning at 7 weeks of age until placement decisions are made. These evaluations help indicate personality, working potential, and suitability for each home.
- d. The Buyer understands that placement decisions are based on evaluations and the Breeder's judgment, and not on photographs or visual selection.
- e. The Buyer acknowledges that while preferences for sex, traits, or temperament may be noted, these cannot be guaranteed. Placement is based primarily on what is in the best interest of the puppy.
- f. The Buyer agrees to remain in reasonable communication with the Breeder throughout the evaluation and placement period. Failure to respond to communication within seven (7) days may result in forfeiture of placement.

4. Pickup, Transportation & Boarding

- a. This Puppy will be available for the Buyer to pick up in Kenai, Alaska (and surrounding areas) at approximately eight (8) weeks of age. This date is an estimate based on when the Puppy is naturally weaned and ready to leave its dam. While puppies typically go home at a minimum of 8 weeks, some may remain with the Breeder until 10–12 weeks depending on individual needs, at the Breeder's discretion.
- b. If the Puppy is being transported outside the Kenai area, all travel and shipping arrangements are the responsibility of the Buyer. LakeHaus is willing to deliver the Puppy to the nearest major airport or assist with arranging transportation to the airport if needed.
- c. If the Buyer is unable to pick up the Puppy on the agreed-upon Delivery Date, the Breeder will continue caring for the Puppy for up to fourteen (14) days at no additional charge. After 14 days past the scheduled pickup date, a boarding fee of \$15.00 per day will be assessed unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.

5. Entire Agreement & Governing Law

a. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the parties regarding the Puppy Holding Fee and supersedes all prior discussions, representations, or agreements,

- whether written or oral. By signing below, the Buyer acknowledges that they have read this Agreement in full and understand and accept all terms.
- b. The Buyer agrees that this contract is governed by the laws of the State of Alaska and that the proper venue for any legal action arising from this Agreement is the Kenai Peninsula Borough, in Kenai, Alaska.

6. Signatures & Acceptance

By signing below, both parties acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agreed to all terms contained in this Holding Fee & Reservation Agreement.

Buyer Information:	
Printed Name:	
Signature:	
Date:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Breeder Information:	
Ashley Young, LakeHaus Kennels	
Signature:	
Date:	
Holding Fee Received:	
Amount: \$500.00	
Date Received:	
Payment Method:	