

# **Himalaya Tibetan Mastiffs**

## **Susan Ochsenbein, Breeder**

### **Est. 1993**

#### **DEPOSITS**

Generally we do not request deposits

Deposits received prior to the whelping date are fully refundable if:

Puppy of desired sex is not available

Puppy of desired color is not available

Puppy's character is not appropriate for the prospective home as judged by the breeder

Breeder or buyer that the puppy purchase is not advisable due to information that was not available at the time of the deposit

#### **REGISTRATION**

Himalaya Tibetan Mastiffs will submit litter registration to the Foundation Stock Service of the American Kennel Club. Each puppy owner will be provided with the registration. Each puppy will be restricted "not for breeding" until the puppy has reached the age of two years and has had its hips and elbows evaluated by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals and/or Pennhip. A copy of this report along with a brief note certifying the general health of the dog will be provided to the breeder and the breeding restriction will be promptly lifted by the breeder. The prefix "Himalaya" or Himalaya's" will be used on each original registration. Puppies from each litter will have names that start with the same letter of the alphabet.

#### **TEMPERAMENT**

Every effort has been made to ensure that your puppy is born from healthy, well-tempered parents. Your socialization and proper care of the puppy will make it a welcome and loved member of your family. The Breeder should be used as a resource and contacted with any questions or problems. Guard training and aggression training is not wise for the Tibetan Mastiff, as they are natural guardians. In order to properly socialize and train your puppy, you will need a great deal of patience and time during the first two years of his life. Roughhouse play with children, adults or other pets may result in heightened guardian instincts or downright aggression.

#### **HEALTH**

Every precaution has been taken to eradicate CHD (canine hip dysplasia) from Himalaya Tibetan Mastiffs breeding lines. Both parents of the puppy have been radiographed for dysplasia and have been undergone health checks by their veterinarian prior to breeding. The best veterinarian care available has been provided to both sire and dam and their offspring. The

Breeder follows, in her opinion, a rigid vaccination protocol and this puppy is guaranteed to have the vaccinations commensurate with its age at the time of sale. Proof of vaccination will be provided to the buyer along with a schedule of remaining vaccinations to be administered after the puppy is in its new home. The puppy is guaranteed to be free of irregularities of health at the time of delivery to the owner but should have the puppy "well check" within one week by a licensed veterinarian. If the airline loses or injures a puppy it will be the buyer's responsibility to ask for compensation from the airline. The breeder will assist in any way possible. It should be noted, that I have found the airlines to be generally quite careful with puppies.

## **REFUNDS**

In the event of the discovery of a health irregularity by the veterinary during the puppy's first "well check" a full refund will be given upon return of the puppy and a written statement from the licensed veterinarian stating the nature of any health problems. Puppies who are injured or ill as a result of mistreatment will not be eligible for a refund.

Should unforeseen health issues arise after the "well check", the Breeder will not be held financially accountable for any medical intervention. The Breeder will not be financially responsible for any unforeseen health/socialization problems that result from failure to follow the breeder's advice concerning vaccination protocol, health/socialization management, failure to provide proper diet or care, injury or mistreatment after it leaves the breeder's care.

## **SPAY/NEUTER**

Any puppy may be spayed or neutered at the owner's discretion. It is not recommended that youngster under the age of 7-8 months be spayed or neutered. As the breed has only one heat cycle per year, this will still allow adequate time prior to the first heat cycle for the puppy to be spayed. Dogs should never be spayed while in season. Surgery should not be schedule in conjunction with vaccinations.

## **BUYERS' COMMITMENTS**

The Buyer agrees to refrain from placing their Tibetan Mastiff with a pet store, pet broker or shelter.

The Buyer agrees that the dogs will not be sold, traded, leased or given away without the foreknowledge and written agreement of the Breeder. If, for any reason, the buyer should have to relinquish the dog, the buyer will notify the Breeder and the Buyer will return the dog to the Breeder. The Buyer recognizes that this puppy is a living being that requires a lifetime of total love, support and commitment. In the event that the Failure to provide humane care for the puppy will result in the buyer agreeing to relinquish the puppy to the Breeder. If neglect or abuse is evident the buyer will bear any legal costs to reclaim the dog if the practice of abuse is established.

**BREEDERS' COMMITMENTS**

Every puppy and every puppy buyer have the right to a complete and honest disclosure of information about the breed, the bloodlines of the puppy and the individual puppy. In the event that a problem arises with the litter, the Breeder must make every effort to inform the puppy buyers. The long-term health, temperament and well being of the dog are of primary interest to the Breeder and so the Breeder must make every effort to maintain an open dialogue with the buyer and to provide support and advice whenever possible.

**PAYMENT**

The cost of any crate (used in transporting the puppy), flight costs as well as cost of the puppy will be paid by the Buyer prior to shipment or pickup of the puppy. The Buyer will also pay the costs associated with the individual registration of the puppy. Puppies paid for within two weeks of delivery will be paid for by cashier's check or certified funds. Checks may be made payable to Susan Ochsenbein

**SELECTION/PICK-UP OR SHIPMENT**

It is always the Breeder's preference to have the puppy approved and picked up at the Breeder's home . The Breeder reserves the right to refund deposits and payments and void the contract if, in her judgment, the transaction is not in the long-term interest of the puppy. In the case where puppies are shipped, the Breeder will decide the manner of travel based on the least traumatic impact on the puppy. Costs (which may include a shipping crate, health certificate and freight charges) will be born by the buyer.

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS (if applicable)**

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No warranties other than those stated herein are implied.

I have read and agree to the above conditions.

Buyer's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Buyer's Name: (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_