

A&K Gold Rush Golden Retrievers

GOLDEN RETRIEVER ~ HEALTH GUARANTEE

Puppy Name: _____ Sex: _____ DOB: _____

Buyer(s) Name: _____ Limited AKC: ___ Full AKC: ___

Congratulations on your decision to make an A&K Gold Rush Retriever puppy a special part of your life! While getting a new puppy can be one of the most exciting experiences a family can have, A&K Gold Rush Retrievers are committed to making the journey as rewarding and stress-free as possible for both you and your puppy.

To begin, we will keep you up to date with information about your puppy through our Facebook page as it grows until it is time for your puppy to go to your home. On this litter we will be trying something different. All information about the puppies and any updates will be done on our FB page instead of private messages. Many families have the same questions so we are hoping this will help everyone.

As a member of the A&K Gold Rush Retrievers Family, we'd love for you to keep in touch with us because it gives us peace of mind knowing how well our puppies are doing. Please feel free to also message us with any questions, concerns, or stories you might have to share.

Below you will find our Health Guarantee which was written in the best interest of the breeder and buyer and, most importantly, to protect the health and well-being of the puppy.

BREEDER AGREES:

- To the breeder's knowledge, this puppy has no known diseases or illnesses that would adversely affect their health. The puppy is guaranteed to be in good health at the time of sale.
- The puppy will be up to date on shots and worming at the time of pick up. Shot records will be furnished at time of purchase. If puppy is being shipped, a copy of the shots records will be mailed to new owner or attached to the crate.
- The puppy will have a veterinarian health check and deemed in good health prior to the completion of the sale and rehoming of the puppy.
- Breeder offers NO guarantee that disqualifying faults will not arise or develop that would make this puppy unsuitable for the show ring and/or breeding. At the time of sale, this dog/puppy is considered and being sold as pet quality unless otherwise stated.
- We only breed the most intelligent, loving and friendly dogs. However, due to environmental and training issues out of our control, once the puppy leaves our home breeder cannot warranty temperament of the puppy. Breeder does not guarantee color, size, or championship of any puppy.
- The breeder can NOT assume responsibility for this puppy after 48 hours of the release of the puppy to the buyer or the buyer's transport. It is the responsibility of the buyer to care for the puppy properly & keep it free from harm. Please remember that your puppy must be treated with great care & protected from danger.
- The breeder assumes NO responsibility for any medical expenses incurred after the puppy/dog leaves the care of A&K Gold Rush.
- Breeder guarantees puppy against any congenital defect causing death of or making necessary euthanasia until one year of age. After he/she is examined by a reputable licensed veterinarian and the health of the puppy is found to be at risk due to a congenital defect (existing at birth), owner shall notify breeder and provide a written statement from a licensed reputable veterinarian stating that in his/her opinion a condition is congenital. Owner shall return the puppy and papers to the breeder within three days of the examination. If a heart murmur is found by a veterinary cardiologist to negatively affect the longevity or quality of life the puppy may be returned to the breeder. Breeder will replace puppy only if provided puppy is in the same condition mentally and physically as when originally purchased when a puppy becomes available, and if the

A&K Gold Rush Golden Retrievers

puppy has been returned. We reserve the right to have a second opinion from our veterinarian. We also reserve the right to acquire DNA to determine the dog or puppy is one of our lineages.

- Breeder is not responsible if puppy contracts a communicable disease after leaving breeder's possession.
- Breeder shall not be responsible for death or injury of said puppy/dog due to negligence or carelessness of the Buyer, any airline, live animal carrier, its agents or employees.
- Provide Buyer with AKC registration documents.

BUYER AGREES:

- Buyer understands puppy could live 10+ years.
- Puppy must be paid in full at pick up unless other arrangements are made.
- The buyer agrees to have the puppy inspected by a licensed veterinarian within 48 hours of receiving puppy. If within 48 hours, a licensed veterinarian deems the puppy to be unhealthy or unfit for sale, the puppy may be returned for a replacement puppy provided, if the puppy has not been injured or neglected. The veterinarian must provide a written statement deeming the puppy "unhealthy for purchase," which shall be reviewed by the A&K Gold Rush Retrievers veterinarian. Both veterinarians must agree with the other before a replacement puppy can be provided. We also reserve the right to acquire DNA to determine the dog or puppy is one of our lineages.
- Documentation from the first vet visit to confirm health upon arrival must be sent to the breeder within ten days in order for the Health Guarantee to be honored. If not, the buyer by default agrees to accept the A&K Gold Rush Retriever's veterinarian health check prior to departure.
- If routine health care, including age & location of appropriate immunizations & deworming, is not provided to ensure the safety and health of the puppy, the health guarantee and/or replacement of the puppy will be terminated and deemed void. It is very important that you maintain a vaccination & deworming protocol as determined by your veterinarian. Please do not expose your puppy to other dogs that are not vaccinated until he/she has completed the entire vaccination schedule (around 16-20 weeks of age).
- All vet bills are the responsibility of the buyer after puppy leaves A&K Gold Rush.
- If this dog is used for breeding, even accidental, it voids all guarantees or agreements, written or verbal, unless other arrangements were made between buyer and seller.
- Keep puppy on a good quality feed and diet
- **Breeder should be notified if buyer can no longer care for the puppy. The puppy will need to be returned to the breeder at no cost to the breeder.**
- Before this puppy can be transferred to a third party the breeder must be notified.
- This contract applies to the original buyer only and is non-transferable to a second party.
- Buyer agrees to inform breeder of any health issues that might arise with said puppy so breeder can work to eliminate them from the breed.
- If the puppy should pass away for any reason in the first year an autopsy MUST be performed at the buyers expense and a written notice of puppy's death from owner's vet, along with a necropsy report indicating cause of death results forwarded to breeder within 15 days if buyer wants a replacement puppy.
- This guarantee does NOT cover any health issues caused by neglect or injury from the buyer.
- This guarantee does NOT include minor illnesses and health issues such as colds, allergies, internal or external parasites, under bites or hernias, ect.
- If the seller incurs any vet bills due to the condition the puppy is returned in, those fees will need to be paid to the seller and if puppy is in poor condition there will NOT be a replacement or a refund for said puppy.
- The puppy is not being purchased for resale & will never be sold to a pet shop, puppy mill or agent of same.
- The buyer is to provide all annual vet exams, to continue all required vaccine shots as recommended by their vet and proper vet care. It is important the puppy has all puppy shots, and their yearly boosters. Failure to comply with and provide documentation of these requirements voids all guarantees.
- Buyer agrees not to breed unless the puppy is sold with full registration and not before two years of age when appropriate testing has been passed and completed.

A&K Gold Rush Golden Retrievers

- To provide adequate housing away from the elements. Your dog will NEVER be left on a chain. The Buyer will groom, train, and care for this dog in the manner consistent with high quality animal husbandry.
- The value of the pet for the purpose of this guarantee is solely the original purchase price of the pet, and does not include any additional prices declared by the buyer, such as value of show dog or shipping fees.
- Buyer understands that Golden Retrievers are prone to Hip and Elbow Dysplasia and that the seller has done its due diligence in providing this puppy a good genetic chance of not acquiring Hip or Elbow Dysplasia, but buyer also understands that there is an environmental component to the development of Hip and Elbow Dysplasia. One of the biggest contributors to hip dysplasia is overfeeding which will cause a puppy to grow too fast. Buyer agrees to keep puppy at such a weight that ribs can easily be felt when lightly touched. Further, buyer understands that to avoid injury or stress-trauma occurring to the dog's bones and joints while he/she is still growing, prior to reaching one and a half year of age (preferably 2 years), this dog should not go faster on a leash than to break a trot, nor be put on a tread-mill, nor play roughly with adults or children, nor stand on his/her back legs for extended periods of time, nor play wild ball games with chasing and retrieving (especially on slippery floors or wet grass and with balls thrown further than 15-20 feet), nor chase frisbees. No jumping on and off of furniture, nor jumping in and out of vehicles and please be very careful on stairs. Failure to comply with this will nullify the guarantee on hips and elbows. Puppies need exercise, but excessive wild exercising is not only hard on the joints, it creates a hyper dog. The best exercise for a growing puppy is swimming, walking and free off-leash play. Once a dog has reached maturity (1.5 to 2 years of age) and the growth plates have closed, jogging, frisbee and ball chasing are good.
- This agreement shall be deemed and consummated in the county of Effingham, Illinois and shall be governed by the laws of the state of Illinois.

TERMS OF REPLACEMENT:

48 Hour Health Guarantee / 1 year Replacement Guarantee

- It will be up to us, the breeders, to decide when the puppy will be ready to go to its new home. This is usually at the age of eight weeks. Vaccines will be given at 6-7 weeks prior to leaving at 8 weeks to help build immunity before going to their new home.
- If the puppy is found to be in unacceptable health, a written statement from the veterinarian should be forwarded to the seller & the puppy should be returned within 48 hours (at buyer's expense) for a replacement.
- If the above dog should develop a severe genetic disease before its 1st birthday and can no longer function as a Pet/Companion Animal the breeder will replace at no charge with a comparable puppy. The dog will be replaced either from the same litter or from a future litter. A proper letter from the vet stating the problem found and the vet's opinion on the viability of the animal must be sent to the seller within 15 days of diagnosis. The seller will have the final say on whether the original puppy must be returned or not. All the vet bills and returned shipping fees are the responsibility of the buyer and will NOT be accepted by the breeder.
- This guarantee does NOT include uneven bites, un-dropped testicles, umbilical hernia unable to produce puppies or show quality. Unless otherwise specified, all vet bills for corrective surgery, cosmetic surgery, shots and normal health care, euthanasia, spay/neuter and also shipping are the responsibility of the buyer.
- Stress can bring out certain treatable conditions that would not be included as a reason for a puppy's return. Puppies are naturally at risk for coccidia, giardia, or worms which is often brought on by the stress of a new home, new food, new people, or just a change in environment. This includes but is not limited to worms, fleas, mites, coccidia, giardia, or any other parasites as they can sometimes be common in dogs and puppies. **Buyer's Initials:** _____

We hope that you will enjoy your puppy for years to come. We have taken steps to ensure that your new puppy is healthy by feeding it a premium puppy food. It is important that your Golden be kept on a proper diet and good quality feed. Buyer's puppy has been raised on high quality puppy food. Please note: providing a higher nutritious valued food helps provide proper growth. Buyer acknowledges and affirms that Breeder has recommended, for the benefit of the puppy, certain brands of product/s; however the use of this product/s is merely a recommendation from Breeder, not a guarantee of their effectiveness or efficiency.

A&K Gold Rush Golden Retrievers

THE FOLLOWING 1-6 WILL VOID ALL GUARANTEES:

1. Allowing your dog to become obese or underfed at any time.
 - a. Underfed: Ribs are highly visible
 - b. Ideal Body Condition: Can feel and see outline of ribs. Dog has waist when viewed from above. Belly is tucked when viewed from the side.
 - c. Overfed: Dog has no waist when viewed from above. Belly is rounded when viewed from the side.
 2. Evidence of neglect or abuse.
 3. Previous related trauma (broken bones, related injuries, etc.)
 4. Dog has been bred.
 5. Feeding this dog anything other than a premium quality dog food.
 6. Evidence of strenuous exercise as stated above.
- No guarantees expressed or implied, are given by Natalie Denton the seller, except those stated herein.
 - Seller warrants that she is the lawful owner of this puppy & is responsible for entering into this contract with the Buyer. The Buyer has read & understands the forgoing & agrees that all parts constitute a binding agreement with the Seller. This constitutes the entire agreement of the parties hereto with respect to sale described.
 - This warranty must be printed out, signed and returned to A&K Gold Rush's during pick-up or before shipment of puppy.

LIMITATIONS OF GUARANTEE:

This guarantee is non-transferable. The puppy must be in good physical condition. No replacement will be given if dog has been bred. A licensed veterinarian must do all laboratory verification. The buyer/owner is responsible for all transportation costs to and from the breeder. The breeder is not responsible for any and all veterinarian expenses accumulated on returned or replaced dog or puppy.

I acknowledge that this is a legal & binding contract and have reviewed and agree to the terms listed above. The buyer picks the name of the puppy. The buyer also agrees to use the name "A&K Gold Rush's" as the suffix in the registered name of the dog. (Example: A&K Gold Rush's Bentley) The buyer will also maintain up to date vaccines, wormings, and to keep the puppy/dog in humane conditions and provide proper food, water, and shelter. Failure to follow the above contract completely will result in "A Breach of Contract" and shall make this contract null and void. This contract applies only to the original purchaser and is NOT transferable. When a deposit is received by A&K Gold Rush the Purchaser automatically agrees to the terms of this contract, even if both the Breeder and the Purchaser have not yet signed the contract.

Preventing Hip Dysplasia

DON'T overfeed your puppy, no matter how hungry they seem. Overweight increases pressure on the hip joints. Rapid growth means hip joint may not develop properly. DO NOT over exercise your puppy. Once your puppy is grown they need regular exercise or that can affect their joints as well. Avoiding high impact activities like jumping, stairs and jogging until the growth plates have closed.

Date of Contract: _____ Price of Puppy: _____ Deposit: _____ Balance Due: _____

Puppy Name: _____

Printed Buyers Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Signature of Buyer: _____

Buyers Veterinarian: _____ Veterinarian Phone Number: _____

Breeder: A&K Gold Rush ~ Golden Retrievers ~ Altamont, IL 62411 ~ (217) 821-6944 ~ akgoldrush@yahoo.com

Our Veterinary Care

Advanced Vet Care ~ 700 W Wabash Ave ~ Effingham, IL 62401 ~ 217-347-2838

Buyer(s) Initials: _____

_____ Pick of litter