**Rodorbal Labradors Puppy Questionnaire**

Hello, as a responsible breeder, I want to get to know you before we entrust one of our precious puppies to you. The purpose of the questionnaire is to find out your understanding of Labradors and how the puppy will fit into your life.

If you haven’t owned a dog before, hopefully this questionnaire will help you think about the issues that owning a puppy will entail and about the expenses you will/may incur. Labradors in their first year of life can be quite expensive – like most medium to large dogs. You will need to purchase a crate, kennel, beds, food, pet insurance, find a vet etc. I hope this will help you in planning for your new family member.

I want to make sure you are well prepared and have read my website. I am constantly updating it with information and links to help you in your Labrador ownership.

Name:

Contact details:

1. *Have you had a dog/other pets before?*

1. *Why have you chosen a Registered Pedigree Labrador Puppy to join your family?*
2. *What do you understand about the breed characteristics/temperament?*
3. *Are you familiar with some of the Labrador health issues?*
4. *Labrador puppies are renowned for destruction of toys, property, clothes etc - How will you manage this?*
5. *Would you like a male or female?*
6. *Would you like Black, Yellow or Chocolate?*
7. *Is there any particular reason why you have chosen this colour and gender?*
8. *Have you read our website:* [*www.rodorbal.com*](http://www.rodorbal.com) *Yes/No*
9. *Have you read “Our Nursery” page, it has all the details about the litter? Yes/No*
10. *Have you read the page "Frequent Questions and Answers" Yes/No*
11. *Do you have a Facebook account?  - if so, we recommend you click the FB button on my website and you can then see how we raise our puppies etc.*
12. *How will this puppy affect your life?*
13. *Who will be feeding the puppy 3 times a day?*
14. *Do you foresee any changes to your lifestyle (ie moving, job change, marriage and children)? If yes, how will you manage the puppy through these changes?*
15. *Who will be home during/or part of the day (a requirement)? Or have you thought of other ways as to how to manage your puppy to be cared for?*
16. *Will your puppy live indoor/outdoor or both? Please explain:*
17. *If in 2 years’ time or more you were unable to keep your puppy for some unknown reason, what would happen to the puppy/dog?*
18. *Do you know what vet clinic you will be using for your puppy’s vaccination, annual check, emergency issues and desexing procedure?*

1. *What are your thoughts on desexing?*
2. *You will need to take out pet insurance on your puppy, Have you made any enquires on the monthly costs and different providers?*
3. *Do you know what it costs to upkeep a puppy?*
4. *If your puppy requires expensive surgery to remove an obstruction in the middle of the night – would you consent to this?*
5. *Do you understand, that despite all the health testing, responsible breeding ethics and the care taken with our breeding bitches and raising of our puppies, that we cannot guarantee our puppies will not develop at a future time elbow or hip dysplagia? Yes/No*
6. *As breeders, we have done as much as possible to ensure you purchase a healthy sound puppy with no apparent issues when they receive a comprehensive vet check at 6 weeks. However, your puppy could still have unknown issues develop at a later stage in life that we couldn't identify from birth to 8 weeks of age (elbow dysplagia, liver shunt, skin allergies, etc)*

*Please acknowledge: Yes/No*

*Questions about you and your home:*

1. *How would you manage any unknown foreseeable issues?*
2. *Do you have young children? What are their ages?*

* *If so, how will you supervise your children and the puppy’s interactions?*
* *Will the puppy have quiet time away from the children?*

* *Do you have any other pets (dog, cat etc) and how old are they?*

*If so, how will you supervise the puppy’s interactions?*

1. *How will the puppy have separate time away from other pets (A MUST)?*

1. *Is your backyard secure?*
2. *Do you have good shade?*
3. *Do you have a place for the puppy to sleep? (ie kennel, trampoline bed?)*

* *Where will this be situated?*
* *Would you be happy to supply photos of your backyard where the puppy would be living?*

1. *Do you own your own home or rent/own home?*

*If you rent, have you gained permission from your landlord?*

1. *Do you have any holidays planned now, or in the near future?*

1. *Do you have a plan and/or who will look after your family pet when you are away?*
2. *Who will be educating the puppy?*

1. *Will you attend puppy school or obedience school? Yes/No*

1. *How will you socialise the puppy?*

1. *Do you understand the major health implications of exercising your puppy at an early age?*
2. *How long have you been searching for a puppy? Have you spoken to other breeders?*

*Do you have any questions you would like to ask?*

*Once I receive your application I will give you a call to discuss this further with you.*