



## CELHAUS PUPPY BUYER QUESTIONNAIRE

Your answers on this questionnaire will help me determine if a CELHAUS German Shepherd is what you're looking for, and if one of my pups will do well in your home.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: HOME ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

CELL: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

How long \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

How long \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please list 2 references:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please check your preference  
\_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female Either \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to spay/neuter a pet quality puppy? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no (why?)

\_\_\_\_\_

2. For what purpose do you want this German Shepherd?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Personal pet (who is this person for: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Family Pet (ages of children: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Breeding (why? \_\_\_\_\_)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Competition:  
     AKC/UKC obedience \_\_\_\_\_ tracking \_\_\_\_\_ agility \_\_\_\_\_  
     Schutzhund \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Work:  
     Search & Rescue \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
     Service Dog \_\_\_\_\_ What tasks? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Have you ever had a working-line German Shepherd before? They are much more intense, intelligent and driven than American lines and European show lines and require much more work the first year of life. Are you prepared to put a lot of time and energy into being a good leader for this pup AND channeling its drives into proper behavior? This question requires more than a yes and/or no so put some time into it.

4. Do you have a preference for the color of your German Shepherd?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black & tan    \_\_\_\_\_ Sable    \_\_\_\_\_ Bicolor    \_\_\_\_\_ solid black (occasionally)
5. Approximately how many hours a day will your new German Shepherd be alone? (check one)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 hours or less  
 \_\_\_\_\_ more than 3 hours, but less than 6  
 \_\_\_\_\_ more than 6, but less than 12  
 \_\_\_\_\_ how many hours at a time \_\_\_\_\_
6. How physically active are you? What activities (hiking, jogging, camping, etc.) will your dog do with you?

7. How many people currently live at your residence? (Please list each below)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Relation to you</u>	<u>Age</u>
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8. Who will have primary responsibility for the care of your German Shepherd?

9. Have you and your family discussed the pros and cons of owning a German Shepherd puppy? \_\_\_\_\_  
Does everyone in the family want a pup? \_\_\_\_\_

10. If you have children are you willing to accept the additional responsibility of a German Shepherd puppy? Do you have time for kids AND a puppy?

11. Are you willing to teach your children the proper way to handle a live animal, especially a vulnerable and rambunctious puppy? How?

12. What is your family's overall reaction to owning a dog?

What members are enthusiastic?      Unenthusiastic?

What complaints have been made?

13. Have you and your family considered that a dog lives for years?

Are you willing to make that commitment?

14. Have you considered the financial cost of dog ownership? Are you financially prepared to give your dog the routine medical care it requires and to feed it a high quality dog food?

15. Have you owned a German Shepherd or any dog before (what breeds)? How long did it (they) live/did you have them? What was the cause of death or placement with another person?
16. What is it about German Shepherd Dogs that has generated your interest in the breed?
17. What other breeds have you considered?
18. What are the four characteristics you find most appealing about a new German Shepherd? (Choose four and number the choices: 1 = BEST, 2 = 2nd BEST, etc.)
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|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| _____ active      | _____ calm        | _____ vocal      |
| _____ playful     | _____ independent | _____ quiet      |
| _____ independent | _____ loving      | _____ high drive |
| _____ protective  | _____ aggressive  | _____ pretty     |
| _____ dominant    | _____ submissive  | _____ large      |
| _____ shy         | _____ confident   | _____ small      |
- Other \_\_\_\_\_
19. CELHAUS German Shepherds are active and ambitious. I recommend that you take your new pup to puppy kindergarten class and to formal obedience classes after it's 6 months old. Would a formal obedience training program be something you, as a new owner, would be interested in participating in? (If NO, please provide a brief explanation)
20. What kind of work or behaviors do you expect of your German Shepherd Dog?
21. What would be your response if he/she made a mistake?
22. What amount of time and effort do you want to devote to training him/her? How serious are you about exhibiting, how competitive are you?



34. Have you asked yourself whether your lifestyle is so busy you might not have the time or energy to properly care for a German Shepherd puppy and raise it to be a good canine citizen? Have you carefully considered how a German Shepherd will fit into your lifestyle?
35. Is your lifestyle such that friends, relatives and children gain admittance to your home, property and car without your supervision? How?
36. Do you intend to keep the dog primarily indoors or outdoors? Please elaborate.  
**Please send a picture if I am unable to inspect.**
37. Where will the dog sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_
38. What animals currently live in the household? (Please list)
- | <u>Name</u> | <u>Type of pet</u> | <u>Sex/Age</u> | <u>How long owned?</u> | <u>Kept where</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| _____       | _____              | _____          | _____                  | _____             |
| _____       | _____              | _____          | _____                  | _____             |
| _____       | _____              | _____          | _____                  | _____             |
| _____       | _____              | _____          | _____                  | _____             |
39. Have you had any complaints about your pets? Please elaborate.
40. Does anyone in the household have any known allergies to animals?  
\_\_\_\_\_NO      \_\_\_\_\_YES, please provide a brief explanation

41. Do you have a veterinarian you have used before and plan to use with your new German Shepherd?  
\_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ YES (please provide name/address/phone)
42. How did you find out about CELHAUS German Shepherds?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Veterinarian (Name \_\_\_\_\_)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Newspaper/magazine ad (Which one: \_\_\_\_\_)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Friend \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

This questionnaire was adapted from the one used by Breed Rescue Committee of the German Shepherd Dog Club of America, in the hopes that no dog of my breeding would ever have to endure abuse, abandonment or neglect. If for any reason you are ever unable to keep your CELHAUS German Shepherd, I want it back.

*Please return this questionnaire to:*

**Cel Hope  
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