

Karina Keeshonden

Puppy Buyer Questionnaire



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Best method to contact you: _____
Best time to reach you: _____

Please answer all the questions below. There is no "right" or "wrong" answers. These are questions to help me be sure that you will be getting a puppy that you are happy with. It is also to help me be assured that my puppies will be going to good homes. I will always be available to answer any questions regarding training, socialization, house breaking, grooming, feeding, suggested reading materials, crates, toys, food bowls and all other areas concerning the puppy. One of my goals is to provide healthy, happy puppies to loving families. Keeshonden are meant to be family dogs. They need to be part of your family. They do not do well living as an outdoor dog. Keeshonden that are not included as part of the family will bark, dig and may try to escape.

Why are you interested in a keeshond puppy?

Have you ever owned a keeshond before?

What is the most important reason for purchasing a keeshond (please check all that apply)?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Companion | <input type="checkbox"/> Agility / Fly ball Competition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Show Dog | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Therapy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breeding Prospects | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obedience Competition | |

What traits do you *most* like about the Keeshond?

What traits do you *least* like about the Keeshond?

Puppies are a bundle of energy. They will need lots of playtime and toys in addition to lots of loving. Puppies that do not receive enough playtime& toys will find another outlet for their energy. This outlet could be your shoe, a chair leg, clothes, etc... Keeshond puppies love to dig in their water bowl. Don't be surprise if you find puddles around the water bowl. Adult keeshond are relatively active for their size, may bark to protect "his territory", loves a nice romp in the wading pool and may dig in holes in the backyard.

Do you prefer a male or a female? Why?

If your first choice (male or female) is not available, would you be willing to take a puppy of the opposite sex or would you wait for another litter?

What type of personality are you looking for? (Examples: couch potato, middle of the road, very active, independent, etc.) Please be as detailed as possible.

Have you ever raised a Puppy before? Are you familiar with the amount of work a puppy takes?

Have you done any preparations in regards to the arrival of a puppy? What type of preparations have you made?

Where are you planning to keep the puppy? (Inside or Outside)

Do you and/or you spouse work full-time?

How long will the puppy be at home alone during the day?

What arrangements will be made for the puppy during the day while you are away at work? (Crate, X-Pen, puppy pen, confined to kitchen or another part of the house, having a dog sitter or friend potty the puppy during the day).

Do you know about crate training? Are you willing to use a crate?

If used correctly, crates provide a safe haven/den for you puppy. It's a place where they can sleep and eat undisturbed.

Have you thought about how you will housebreak your new puppy?

Successful housebreaking is dependent on a consistent feeding and potty break schedule. Crates can also help with housebreaking as most dogs do not potty where they eat and sleep.

Are you willing to take you puppy to Puppy Kindergarten Class or a Basic Obedience Class?

Classes will help your puppy to learn what is expected of him and vice versa. Keeshond puppies are very intelligent. They need to be taught what behavior is acceptable.

Who will be the primary caretaker of the dog?

Do the other members of your family also want to get a puppy?

What responsibility will other family members bear?

Do any members of your family have any types of allergies to dogs? If Yes, please list the types and how you will/are coping with them?

Please describe your family. Ages of children in the home? If you have children, have they been around puppies/dogs before?

Puppies/dogs quickly learn that children are a great source of food. Young children are the right height for puppies/dogs to steal food out of their hands and lick food off their faces. Puppies may think that young children are part of their "pack" and the puppy needs to be taught how to behave around young children. Puppies like to jump and may accidentally knock down a young child during play or when excited. They will also think any objects on the floor are fair game for being a toy.

Do you own or rent you residence?

If you are renting, what are the restrictions on pets and have you informed your landlord that you are considering getting a pet?

Is your yard completely fenced with secure fencing? If not, would you be willing to do so before bringing home a new puppy or build a secure run for the puppy to be in when not being safely supervised for its safety?

If you do NOT have a fenced yard, how do you plan to exercise your dog?

Daily Walks Dog Play Areas Other _____

Do you have a swimming pool? _____ Is it fenced? _____

While most keeshonden love to play in water, due to the amount of coat they carry, they can sink due to being weighted down by their wet coat. Keeshonden should not be left un-supervised around a pool.

When you are away (vacations, business travel, etc.) what will happen to your dog?

Travel with you on trips Kennel
 Dog Sitter Other _____

If you move in the future, what will happen to your pets?

Are there any other pets in the family? If yes, please list type, age, and length of time you have owned.

Do you currently have a vet? If the answer is No, how and when do you plan on finding one?

If the answer is yes, please provide the vet's contact information. Please inform the vet that I will be calling.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____ E-Mail _____

Puppies need a series of vaccinations as a puppy and most states required a rabies shots by 16 weeks of age. Your puppy will need to be placed on heartworm preventative. Your puppy will need to be put on flea preventative also. Then through out the life of your puppy/dog, he/she will need to be checked annually for heartworm and vaccinated. In addition to the vaccination requirements, all companion puppies are sold on a spay/neuter contract and I would like the procedure to be performed between 6-12 months.

What food do you plan on feeding your puppy?

Will you be willing to follow my recommendations in regard to food and treat selections?

Do you know to care for a dog's coat and trim its nails?

Are you familiar with the grooming that Keeshonden require and that a Keeshond has a double coat and sheds seasonally?

Keeshonden need to be brushed weekly. Keeshonden should NEVER be shaved down to the skin. There is one acceptable method of shaving a keeshond down for the summer. It is called a Lion Cut. With this cut, there is still at least one inch of coat left on the dog. I can provide more information if you are interested in this type of cut. The double coat is one of the many reasons keeshonden do not make good outdoor dogs. When you are involved with any outdoor activity with your dog and the weather is hot, please monitor your dog to see that he does not become over heated. Always have fresh water available for you dog.

How do you plan on meeting the grooming requirements?

Would you allow home visits to check on your new puppy?

Would you allow a home check before obtaining your puppy?

Please answer the following questions paragraph form:

I feel a breeder's responsibility toward their puppies is:

What I expect from my breeder is:

What I most look forward to doing with my dog:

Any other comments you think are helpful:

Please provide references. These should be individuals who are familiar with the care of your animals. They can include (but are not limited to) Boarding Kennel, Trainer, a groomer, other reputable breeders you have bought dogs from etc. Also, please mention to your references that I will be contacting them.

Reference #1

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____ E-Mail _____

Relationship to potential owner _____

Reference #2

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____ E-Mail _____

Relationship to potential owner _____

Reference #3

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____ E-Mail _____

Relationship to potential owner _____

By signing this form, I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I nor anyone living in the household have ever been charged or convicted of animal cruelty in any shape or form.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for completing this questionnaire. Submission of this form does not guarantee that you will be sold a puppy or mean that Karina Keeshonden has made any claims or promises as far as their dogs. The breeder retains the rights of refusal at all times.