

**This sample contract is provided so families can review my policies and expectations ahead of time.**

**Each puppy's final contract will include their individual details, such as parents, pricing, and identifying information.**



This contract "agreement" is entered into on \_\_\_\_\_, by and between :

**Breeder:**

Jenna Ford  
address  
address  
phone  
pawmettogoldens@gmail.com

**Buyer:**

Name:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Address:	

**Puppy:**

AKC #:	Collar Color:	M / F	Date Of Birth:
Sire: Midnight Cherry Red Studebaker in Goldcountry "Baker"			AKC # SS45198403
Dam:			AKC #
Microchip:			

This agreement is made on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ between Jenna Ford ("Breeder") and the above-stated Buyer regarding the described Golden Retriever puppy. The Breeder agrees to sell, and the Buyer agrees to purchase one Golden Retriever puppy for the total purchase price of \$\$\$\$ , subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement.

**PURCHASE PRICE:**

The purchase price of the puppy is \$\$\$\$ . A holding fee of \$\$\$ was paid on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026 to reserve the puppy. The remaining balance of \$\$\$ was paid at pickup on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

### **BUYER RESPONSIBILITIES:**

The Buyer agrees to have the puppy examined by a licensed veterinarian within 72 hours of pickup. The Buyer is responsible for continuing the puppy's vaccination series and deworming to keep the puppy up to date. The Buyer understands that no heartworm, flea, or tick preventatives are given by the Breeder. The Buyer agrees to follow the recommendations of a licensed veterinarian regarding routine and preventative care.

The Buyer agrees to provide regular socialization and a safe environment for the puppy. The Buyer understands that the puppy is not fully vaccinated, and its immune system is still developing and agrees to use good judgement and reasonable precautions to limit exposure to high-risk environments until vaccinations are complete. Early, safe, controlled socialization is strongly encouraged for proper development.

The Buyer agrees to feed a high-quality diet appropriate for large-breed dogs and to maintain the puppy at a healthy weight, understanding that obesity can negatively impact joint health, overall wellness, and lifespan. The Buyer agrees to provide appropriate exercise while also avoiding excessive forced exercise during growth periods (such as repetitive high-impact activities, excessive running or jumping). The Buyer understands that environmental factors, nutrition, conditioning, and weight management play a significant role in a dog's long-term health particularly regarding joint development.

Failure to provide routine veterinary care or maintain the dog in good physical condition may void the health guarantee.

### **HEALTH GUARANTEE:**

The Breeder guarantees that the puppy leaves in good general health, in clean condition, and free of any known physical or genetic defects at the time of the sale.

The Breeder has exercised due diligence in the planning and breeding of this litter by completing appropriate health testing on the sire and dam, including genetic screening and OFA certifications. While careful breeding practices greatly reduce the risk of hereditary disease, the Buyer acknowledges that all living animals are individuals, and no breeder can guarantee a puppy will be free of all health concerns for life. This health guarantee outlines how the Breeder will stand behind the puppy should a qualifying hereditary condition arise. The Buyer understands that injuries, accidents, or trauma can occur and are not covered under the health guarantee.

The puppy is sold with a two (2) year genetic health guarantee beginning on the date this contract is signed. If a hereditary genetic defect that significantly affects the dog's quality of life is diagnosed within two (2) years of the contract date, the Breeder agrees to one of the following remedies:

- Refund of the original purchase price upon return of the puppy to the Breeder
- Assistance with veterinary expenses up to the original purchase price
- Replacement puppy from a future litter

*The Breeder will not be responsible for any amount exceeding the original purchase price of the puppy.*

In the unfortunate event the puppy passes away within the health guarantee period, a necropsy performed by a licensed veterinarian is required if the Buyer wishes to pursue the health guarantee. The necropsy must clearly determine a hereditary genetic cause of death.

If a genetic cause is confirmed, the Breeder will work with the Buyer to reach a fair resolution acceptable to both parties, consisting of either a refund of the original purchase price or a replacement puppy.

*This guarantee does not cover:* parasites, common treatable conditions, parvo, urinary tract infections, vaccine reactions, rabies or other infections, ear infections, allergies, obesity related issues, diet related issues, injuries, abuse, or neglect, or environmentally acquired conditions.

*Requirements for Guarantee:* This guarantee applies only to hereditary conditions that significantly affect the dog's quality of life. The Buyer must notify the Breeder within 48 hours of diagnosis. Written documentation from a licensed DVM is required and copies of any related medical records are to accompany that documentation. The Breeder reserves the right to obtain a second opinion from a veterinarian or specialist of her choice.

No guarantee is made regarding adult size, color, or coat type.

Early spay / neuter voids the health guarantee unless medically necessary and documented by a licensed veterinarian. The health guarantee is void in cases of accidental death, injury, abuse, neglect, or environmental causes.

The health guarantee applies only to the original Buyer and is non-transferable.

#### **LIFETIME SUPPORT:**

The Breeder agrees to provide lifetime support to the families of her puppies. The Buyer is welcome to contact the Breeder at any time with questions or concerns, and the Breeder will assist to the best of her ability.

#### **RESEARCH:**

Buyer agrees to stay reasonably informed on current recommendations and research to provide the puppy with the healthiest life possible. The Breeder remains available as a resource and encourages the Buyer to review all information provided with their puppy.

#### **SPAYING AND NEUTERING:**

Spaying or neutering may not be performed before eighteen (18) months of age. While the Breeder recommends waiting until two (2) years of age for optimal maturity and joint development, the minimum requirement is eighteen (18) months. If the puppy is spayed or neutered before eighteen (18) months of age, the health guarantee is void unless the procedure is medically necessary and documented by a licensed veterinarian. Buyer agrees to notify the Breeder if early alteration becomes medically necessary.

#### **REGISTRATION:**

This puppy is sold with AKC Limited Registration, which means that the dog is intended primarily as a companion animal and cannot be bred. Breeding this dog without the Breeder's written permission constitutes a violation of this agreement and voids all health guarantees. Buyer understands that unauthorized breeding may result in financial damages for breach of contract.

#### **MICROCHIP:**

The puppy is microchipped with AKC Reunite at the time of pickup. Buyer agrees to register the microchip and update their contact information with AKC Reunite promptly after taking possession of the puppy. Instructions for enrollment are provided in the puppy packet. The Breeder will remain listed as an alternate

contact on the microchip for the life of the puppy. The Buyer understands that AKC Reunite enrollment requires a one-time fee paid by the Buyer.

**RIGHT OF RECOVERY OR PLACEMENT:**

Should the Buyer find themselves unexpectedly in a circumstance that prevents them from being able to properly care for the Puppy, the Breeder must be contacted and given first right to take the dog back. Buyer agrees that the dog will be returned to the Breeder or rehomed only with the Breeder's approval. The dog may not be sold, transferred, or surrendered to a shelter, rescue, or third party without the Breeder's knowledge and consent. This provision is intended to ensure the lifelong safety and well-being of the dog.

**LIABILITY:**

The Breeder shall not be liable for any incidental, consequential, or special damages arising from the ownership, care, or training of this puppy. The Buyer assumes all responsibility for the puppy once it leaves the Breeder's care.

Both The Breeder and The Buyer understand the above-written contract and agree that the terms are acceptable and mutually agreeable. Both parties agree to abide by all sections, both typed and written. This agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of South Carolina. In addition, any litigation will take place in Barnwell County, South Carolina.

By signing below, both parties acknowledge they have read and understood this agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_ Breeder's Signature / Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Buyer's Signature / Date

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