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Purchase Agreement/Health Guarantee

Thank you for deciding to purchase one of our puppies. We want to make this a stress free enjoyable experience for you and your family.

This contract is written for the protection of both the breeder and the buyer - However, it is primarily written to protect the health and general well being of the puppy.

Purchase Agreement

- Please read the health guarantee completely before putting a deposit on a puppy. By putting a deposit on a puppy, you are agreeing to the terms and conditions within this contract.
- We require a \$400 deposit in order to hold the puppy of your choice. The deposits can be sent thru PayPal to andyschwiet@yahoo.com or mailing a check (as long as it is not less than 10 days prior to ship or pick-up date)
- This deposit is non-refundable, unless there is a problem with the health of your puppy. In that case, the buyer will have their choice of a full refund or of transferring that deposit toward another puppy.

Health Guarantee

1. The puppy will be able to leave for his/her new home at the age of 8 weeks old.
2. The puppy will have been vet checked (at 8 weeks of age) and deemed in good health at the time of sale.
3. The puppy will be up-to-date on shots and deworming at the time of pickup. It is very important that you continue the vaccinations and deworming. Please do not expose your puppy to other dogs that are not vaccinated until he/she has completed the entire vaccination schedule – usually around 16-20 weeks old.

4. This guarantee does not include minor illnesses and health issues such as colds, allergies, internal or external parasites.

5. Great Danes are very fast growing breeds and special attention needs to be followed to the protein & fat levels you feed them. It is recommended that Protein Levels should not exceed 24% & Fat levels should be between 12% to 14%. This is the KEY TO PROPER DEVELOPMENT for your puppy.

6. **VERY CRITICAL ITEM** – You MUST NOT feed any grain free or holistic food. The FDA has posted multiple warnings and studies on Dilatated Cardio Myopathy DCM or sudden death of large breed dogs caused by feeding grain free or holistic food. There are (5) Veterinary approved dog foods (Eukanuba, Purina Pro Plan, Science Diet, Iams, & Royal Canin – also only adult large breed in these foods for the appropriate protein level. You MUST stay on these foods for the protection of your puppy and for this guarantee to be valid. If a death would occur, we would require seeing periodic proof of purchase receipts of the proper dog food to replace your puppy.

7. This guarantee does not cover any health issues caused by neglect or injury from the buyer which may also lead into behavioral problems.

8. The breeder does not guarantee size or fertility. The puppy is strictly sold as a pet.

9. The buyer (at their own expense) should have the puppy examined by a Licensed Vet within 72 hours of receiving the puppy. Documentation must be sent to the breeder within 10 days in order for the Health Guarantee to be honored.

10. If within 72 hours, a Licensed Vet finds the puppy to be unhealthy or unfit for sale, the puppy may be returned for a full refund - provided the puppy has not been injured or neglected. The veterinarian must provide a written statement deeming the puppy “unhealthy for purchase”. (Any shipping cost to return puppy is responsibility by buyer)

11. The breeder gives a one-year guarantee against any congenital defects of the puppy “from date of birth” that is life threatening. If this should occur then the puppy will be returned to the breeder, and the buyer will receive another puppy of equal value of what was paid (at no cost – however any shipping cost will be buyer responsibility) of the same breed & color; when there is one available.

12. If for any reason I am unable to keep the puppy, I agree to return the puppy to Schwieterman Danes and not place the puppy in another home unless given permission by the breeder. If puppy is returned within the first 30 days, only half of the purchase price will be refunded after the puppy has been placed in his/her new home. The other half will cover the cost of re-advertisement and keeping the puppy current on vaccinations and deworming until the puppy is placed in his/her new home. If puppy is returned after the 30 days no money will be refunded.

13. This puppy is guaranteed until one year of age against fatal congenital disease which adversely affects the health of the animal. This includes kidney, heart pancreas, spine, and liver problems of a severe life-threatening nature. If the dog dies within this one-year time frame, the buyer will pay to have a necropsy and pathology performed by a licensed veterinarian to ascertain reason. If reason is congenital the Seller will replace the puppy. All veterinarian findings must be submitted and signed by a licensed veterinarian and be sent on veterinarians' letterhead with lab work back-up or x-rays to the nature of the problem. Seller will not pay or be responsible to any surgery of veterinarian bills.

14. A puppy with a defect must be returned to the seller to qualify for a replacement puppy. A dog will be replaced as follows: The dog must show the defect by ONE year of age. The Breeder must be notified of the problem within 2 days of the licensed veterinarian's determination. Breeder must be provided a full copy of all veterinary records. The Breeder has the right to have this animal examined by a veterinarian of their choosing. If a dispute over the diagnosis occurs, a third mutually agreed upon veterinarian will make the final determination (at no cost of the Breeder). The Breeder will provide a replacement puppy of equal value. No refund in part, or full will be given, only a replacement dog. No replacement puppy will be given if the puppy has been bred or euthanized without Breeder permission. A returned puppy must be returned to the seller in good condition, other than specified problem, (at the buyers expense) along with all AKC papers and all records. The owner will then qualify for a replacement puppy. Buyer is responsible for transportation cost to and from the seller on a replacement puppy. **Breeder will not pay or be responsible for any veterinarian or surgery bills.** Moreover, if you decide to keep and treat a puppy with a genetic defect or an ill puppy, seller will void all aspects of this contract. Replacement puppy will be mutually agreed upon by both parties and will be of comparable quality. It is understood that the replacement puppy may not be from the exact same parents of the original puppy. NO replacement puppy will be covered under this guarantee if the puppy has sired or whelped one or more pups.

Breed: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Dam: _____ Sire: _____

Buyers Signature: _____ Date: _____

Breeders Signature: _____ Date: _____