

*casa*DOODLE

ADOPTION CONTRACT

Purpose of Contract:

The purpose of this contract is to define the terms and conditions of adoption of a *casa*DOODLE dog. Hereafter, the adoptive family is referred to as “adoptees” and *casa*DOODLE refers to the “breeder.”

Ownership:

Ownership of a *casa*DOODLE dog will commence at the date & time the *casa*DOODLE puppy has been transferred by the breeder into the care of the adoptee. *casa*DOODLE puppies are delivered to their adoptive families at 9-weeks of age.

Visitation:

In order to limit the volume of traffic, and therefore, reduce the pathogens introduced in the home of *casa*DOODLE, *casa*DOODLE puppies are individually transferred by *casa*DOODLE to the homes of adoptees. Adoptees may not visit *casa*DOODLE until puppies are at 8 weeks gestation (first set of puppy vaccinations). If any other litter exists in the home of *casa*DOODLE, and have not reached 8 weeks gestation, visitors will not be permitted. This is to ensure the integrity of the home through controlling the introduction of potentially deadly pathogens. Please understand that we take the health of our *casa*DOODLE puppies extremely seriously, and will ask all visitors (after 8 weeks gestation) to take precautions prior to entry to our home & puppy nursery (antibacterial hand wash & removal of shoes prior to entry into the home). NEW: *casa*DOODLE now provides video footage sent weekly beginning during week 5 so that you can watch your puppy play. Contact *casa*DOODLE for dates/times video footage will be posted to the *casa*DOODLE Facebook site. *casa*DOODLE provides weekly pictures on Sunday or Monday evening so that adoptive families can watch their new family member grow!

Health Guarantee:

*casa*DOODLE puppies will be delivered to adoptees in good health and free of any & all (congenital) genetic health diseases. *casa*DOODLE uses rigorous health screening methods to ensure all dogs in the *casa*DOODLE breeding program meet ALAA standards of ethical breeding. *casa*DOODLE will not include any dog with a genetic health disease in their breeding program – *casa*DOODLE screens for HIPS, ELBOWS, vWD, OFA EYES, PRA-PRCD, EIC, DM, & IC. *casa*DOODLE provides a 2-year genetic health guarantee, which means that any *casa*DOODLE dog found by a licensed veterinarian to have a genetic health disease, will be fully refunded, and another *casa*DOODLE dog provided at the rate of the initial adoptive *casa*DOODLE dog. In order for the adoptee to exercise this aspect of the health guarantee,

casaDOODLE will require the contact information for the licensed veterinarian(s) who identified the genetic health disease, and will utilize bloodwork, x-ray(s), ultrasound, and any other available procedure to document the presence of the suspected genetic health disease. *casaDOODLE* reserves the right to have medical procedures performed at any licensed veterinary practice, and/or lab work to confirm the presence of a genetic disease. While *casaDOODLE* administers de-worming medication, dogs in a shared living environment may develop parasites, an infection, or other routine minor illness. The adoptive family is required to have their *casaDOODLE* puppy examined by a licensed veterinarian within 3 days of transfer of ownership. If a *casaDOODLE* puppy is found to have parasites, and/or an infection, or other routine illness, *casaDOODLE* will refund the cost of the veterinarian intervention paid within 2-weeks.

All *casaDOODLE* puppies will be delivered to the adoptees de-sexed (spayed/neutered), micro-chipped, vaccinated up to 8-weeks, and will have received their 2, 4, 6, & 8 week de-worming medication. For ethical reasons, *casaDOODLE* does not remove dew claws. There are no exceptions.

Abdominal hernias are not uncommon, and are not covered in the 2- year genetic health guarantee. Should an adoptive family wish to correct the hernia (not all hernias require correction), they will do so at their own cost.

Adoptee Obligations:

Adoptees are responsible for the care & control of their new family member, and to provide regular veterinary care, personal or professional behavioral training, exercise, and a healthy diet. Adoptees agree not to contribute to the over-population of abandoned dogs. If adoptees are unable or unwilling to remain the owners of a *casaDOODLE* dog, the adoptees agree to return the *casaDOODLE* dog to *casaDOODLE* immediately - *casaDOODLE* will re-home the dog, but will be **unable to provide a refund**. The adoptees agree **never** to abandon their *casaDOODLE* dog to an animal shelter, foster, or dog rescue person or organization or any other related entity. Adoptees will have a fenced yard, or promise to closely monitor the *casaDOODLE* dog when not indoors. The adoptees may not use a *casaDOODLE* dog for dog fighting purposes, and any evidence of such will be reported to the appropriate authorities. Similarly, adoptees agree not to use their *casaDOODLE* dog for medical research. Any evidence of such will be reported to the appropriate authorities.

Breeder Obligations:

The breeder will deliver a healthy, de-sexed (spayed/neutered) *casaDOODLE* puppy as defined in the "Health Guarantee" section of this contract. The breeder will provide a lifetime of support to adoptees. All *casaDOODLE* puppies will have been introduced to elimination training, in addition to bathing, nail cutting exposure, and introduced to the sights, sounds & smells of an average household. All *casaDOODLE* puppies will receive early neurological stimulation. *casaDOODLE* does not guarantee that puppies will be fully trained in elimination, and tolerant

of bathing & nail cutting at the time of transfer of ownership. Professional behavioral training of a *casaDOODLE* puppy is available for an additional fee. If professional training is requested, the *casaDOODLE* puppy will remain in the care of *casaDOODLE* for additional time (typically released at 12-14 weeks of age) to become proficient in the desired behavior. Please discuss any such request with *casaDOODLE*.

casaDOODLE dogs are allergy friendly, but NOT hypo-allergenic.

Dog Food & Training:

casaDOODLE uses only the highest quality dog food on the market. It is recommended that the adoptee continue the administration of *Origen* dog food. Other high quality dog foods are: Acana, Merrick's, now Fresh, go! (go! adult food is not recommended - only go! puppy), Canidae, Prairie, and California Natural. High quality dog foods are never sold in the grocery store. *casaDOODLE* has absolutely no relationship with any of the above named companies.

The adoptee agrees to provide personal or professional training within 6-weeks of transfer of ownership. While *casaDOODLE* dogs are bred for temperament, and have acted as therapy dogs, behavioral training is critical to ensure dogs do not present a risk to family members, or members of the community. At 9-weeks, personal/professional training must commence as this is the optimal period for puppies to excel at behavioral training.

Breeding Program:

casaDOODLE reserves the right to hold any number of puppies back from a *casaDOODLE* litter, and will have pick of litter regardless of sex (limited only by a stud contract).

Selectivity:

casaDOODLE reserves the right to refuse transfer of ownership to any adoptee. If the adoptee has paid a deposit, or full payment, and the transfer of ownership has not occurred, *casaDOODLE* may refuse to transfer ownership and will refund the full payment immediately.

Cost of Adoption:

The adoptee agrees to pay \$2600 + HST for a *casaDOODLE* puppy. A deposit of \$500.00 is required to hold a *casaDOODLE* puppy for the advertised litter. A \$500.00 deposit is due at the time of submission of this contract, and may be paid by Interac, or by personal cheque, money order, or certified cheque. If paying by personal cheque, a delay of 3-5 business days will occur. As a result of this delay, the adoptee may not secure a *casaDOODLE* puppy until the subsequent advertised litter. The adoptee forfeits their \$500.00 deposit if they decide not to adopt a *casaDOODLE* puppy. The adoptee understands that matching of *casaDOODLE* puppies to families is not made on a first come first serve basis, but rather on personal characteristics

reported below, but if the deposit is made (and funds clear the bank) on time, the adoptee is guaranteed a *casaDOODLE* puppy within the litter requested (not withstanding a lost pregnancy). *casaDOODLE* accepts 6 deposits per litter, and subsequently sets up a non-deposit wait list. The total cost of adopting a *casaDOODLE* puppy is \$2938.00 – subject to change of the Ontario HST rate (\$2600 + \$338.00). Adoptees from out of province will be charged the appropriate provincial sales tax. U.S. customers to inquire. Subsequent to deposit, the remaining balance of \$2438.00 is due when puppies are **3-weeks of age**. Delivery will not occur until the balance is paid – allow 3-5 business days if paying by cheque. Scheduling the delivery date of your *casaDOODLE* puppy will not occur until the balance is paid at the 3-week mark – adoptive families will be advised of this date. *casaDOODLE* will charge a per day fee of \$50.00 for each additional day of care provided within the *casaDOODLE* home. It is important that puppies are transferred to their forever families by 9-weeks, as this is the critical juncture for behavioral training. Unless *casaDOODLE* is keeping a puppy for professional training at the cost of the adoptive family, puppies are required to go home at 9-weeks of age.

The cost of adoption is the same regardless of size and color.

Out of Province/Country Adoption:

casaDOODLE will transport, at the adoptees cost, any adoptive puppy to the U.S., or Europe (Commonwealth nations included). To control the introduction of pathogens in the *casaDOODLE* home, *casaDOODLE* delivers puppies, free of cost, within southern Ontario & southern Quebec. Outside of these provinces, *casaDOODLE* will consult with the adoptees to arrange pick up or delivery by *casaDOODLE* staff through vehicular transport or by air. *casaDOODLE* does not ship adoptive puppies via cargo. At cost to the adoptive family, *casaDOODLE* will accompany an adoptive puppy by air or vehicle to a location outside Ontario & Quebec. The costs to the adoptive family include animal export vet screening/travel documentation, flight/transportation costs for the *casaDOODLE* staff person, and puppy, and incidentals. Contact *casaDOODLE* for travel arrangements. It is the responsibility of the adoptive family to arrange all animal import documentation.

Professional breeders: If interested in stud services, see stud contract for shipping of fresh-child & frozen semen.

Contact *casaDOODLE* for announcements of breeding quality females.

Adoptive Family Characteristics:

How many people are in your home?

Do you have any children? If so, how many and what are their ages?

Is your home low energy, moderately lively, or very lively?

Do you live in a house or apartment/condo?

If you live in a house, is the yard fully fenced?

Do you currently have any pets in your home, and/or do you expect to adopt additional pets beyond a *casaDOODLE* puppy?

Who is home during the day?

Are you able to commit to providing your *casaDOODLE* puppy with behavioral training beginning at the time of adoption (9-weeks of age)?

Is there an adult available in the home throughout the day for the first 2-weeks of adoption?

Once you return to work, how long will your *casaDOODLE* puppy be home alone?

When you are at work, will your *casaDOODLE* puppy have full, or partial access to your home during the day, or be crated?

What size *casaDOODLE* puppy are you hoping to adopt?

What color *casaDOODLE* puppy are you hoping to adopt?

What gender *casaDOODLE* puppy are you hoping to adopt?

No dog is hypo-allergenic, although *casaDOODLE* puppies are allergy friendly. Does your family have any canine allergies?

Are you hoping your *casaDOODLE* puppy will become a service/therapy dog?

If your ideal puppy is not available in the current litter, are you interested in waiting until a subsequent *casaDOODLE* litter?

Please provide your veterinarian's contact information here:

Please provide your contact information here. Please clearly print your full name, address, and contact information – please ensure that you include an email address that is checked regularly.

Prospective adoptive family signature:

Date

casaDOODLE authorized signature:

Date

Submit your signed contract electronically at: info@casadoodle.com Once your contract is approved, and your deposit received, you will receive a detailed email within 48 hours to inform you of the entire adoption process, and provide you with pictures of the litter, if whelped. You will be informed of the anticipated whelping date, and delivery date. We will continue to be in regular email contact throughout the entire adoption process & beyond, if desired.

At the time of delivery of your new family member, you will receive a counter-signed *casaDOODLE* contract, small sample of Origen puppy food, a blanket smelling of mom & litter mates, report of vaccinations & deworming treatment, and microchip registration number. *casaDOODLE* reserves the right to refuse adoption at any time prior to puppy delivery & will provide a full refund immediately.

Your contract is not considered a reservation for a *casaDOODLE* puppy until a \$500 deposit or full payment is received. For Canadian customers, payment should be made via Interac banking transfer using the email: info@casadoodle.com to send. For U.S. and European customers, *casaDOODLE* uses PayPal available on the "Puppies" page of the *casaDOODLE* website. Once a deposit or full-payment is successfully processed online, you will receive an automated email confirmation.

Any family using PayPal will be charged an additional 3% - service fee collected by PayPal.

If you prefer to mail your contract and personal/certified cheque, or money order, please contact *casaDOODLE* at: info@casadoodle.com for mailing instructions. As a result of the demand for *casaDOODLE* puppies, please understand that any delay in receiving and processing payment may result in not adopting a *casaDOODLE* puppy until a subsequent litter.

All puppies are released from *casaDOODLE* spayed/neutered; no exceptions.