# 🐾 Homestead, Livestock Guardian Puppy Application For Emerald Mtn Ranch LLC 🤹

**Disqualifying Factors:** Before you begin, please note that there are certain factors that may disqualify a home from adopting one of our puppies. We kindly ask that you refrain from applying if:

- If you intend to use the puppy for fighting
- If you plan on keeping puppy in a kennel or chain for its life
- If you plan on keeping the puppy isolated
- If you live in an apartment, I'm sorry but they need a job.
- If you are not willing to work with the puppy and its natural instincts
- If you have a complete hands-off approach
- If you are not willing to work on socialization or aggression issues if they arise
- If you don't want to come see the puppies or talk with me regarding what you are looking for in a puppy
- If you are adamantly against cropping ears for any reason, all Emerald Mtn Ranch Puppies have their ears cropped for their protection.

### **Personal Information:**

- Name:
- Address:
- Phone number:
- Email address:
- Occupation:

### Litter Preference:

- Which litter are you interested in?
- Female or Male preference?
- If the desired litter is full, would you like to be placed on a waiting list for our next available litter or future paired breeding?

**Requirements for New Home:** We believe in finding the right match for each puppy. To ensure the well-being of our puppies, we have certain requirements for their new homes, including:

- The pups were bred and raised as LGDs and will be sold as LGDs.
- Occasionally, a puppy may not fit the LGD profile and may be better suited for a home with people. We believe there is a perfect home for every dog.
- Most pups will go to their new homes on a spay and neuter clause by 2years.
- Buyer agrees they will grow their puppy slow to prevent growth issues.
- Buyer agrees to provide good overall care for the puppy, including proper nutrition, a safe environment, and regular veterinary care.
- Secure perimeter fencing (4ft-6ft) is highly recommended.
- Long term isolation is prohibited and could cause behavioral problems.
- Keeping the dog chained for long periods is prohibited and could cause behavioral problems.
- Requires early socialization to prevent aggression.

- Not a hands-off breed
- NOT recommended making Boz people aggressive as dangerous
- Don't respond well to a heavy hand.
- Using the dog for fighting is strictly prohibited.
- Physical force in training is not recommended.
- Buyer will continue to work with pup at feeding to discourage food aggression. Don't wait till the pup is grown to address aggression issues. ASK for help.
- If a buyer is unable to care for the dog at any point in the dog's life, Emerald Mtn Ranch will take the dog back with vet a health certificate that the dog is clear of any communicable diseases.

#### Home and Environment:

- Do you live in a house or apartment?
- Do you have a fenced yard? If yes, what type and how tall?
- How many people reside in your household?
- Do you have any other pets? If yes, what kind?
- Do you have any children? If yes, what are their ages?

#### Livestock Guardian Experience:

- Have you owned a livestock guardian dog before? If yes, please provide details.
- Are you familiar with the specific needs and behaviors of livestock guardian dogs?
- How do you plan to integrate a livestock guardian dog into your home/ animals and daily routine?

### Understanding of LGDs:

- Briefly explain your understanding of the specific needs and challenges of LGDs.
- Do you have experience caring for livestock guardian dogs (LGDs)?

### Understanding of the BOZ Breed:

- Have you researched the Turkish Boz Shepherd characteristics as a livestock guardian breed you're interested in?
- Are you aware of the size, temperament, grooming needs, and exercise requirements of the breed?
- Do you understand the purpose of livestock guardian dogs and their instinctual behaviors?

### Care and Training:

- How do you plan to train and socialize your puppy?
- What dietary plan do you intend to follow for your puppy?
- How will you ensure your puppy gets enough exercise and mental stimulation?
- Are you prepared for the financial responsibilities of veterinary care, grooming, and feeding?

### Long-term Commitment:

 Can you commit to caring for this dog for its entire life span, which could be 9-12 years or more? • What would you do if you encountered challenges with the puppy's behavior or health?

Additional Comments: Is there anything else you would like us to know about you or your living situation that would help us determine if you're a suitable owner for one of our puppies?

**References:** Can you provide the contact information for your veterinarian or any other references who can vouch for your ability to care for a dog?

**Agreement:** Would you be willing to sign a puppy contract stating that you will provide proper care for the puppy and return it to us if you are unable to keep it for any reason?

# **Property Information:**

- Describe your property (size, location, fencing type and height).
- What type of livestock will the puppy be guarding (sheep, goats, cattle, etc.)?
- How many animals will the puppy be guarding?

### Lifestyle:

- Describe your lifestyle and how it would accommodate an LGD puppy.
- How will you socialize and train the puppy?
- Do you have plans to breed the dog?

# Puppy Contract

- **Deposit:** Please note that a non-refundable deposit of \$500.00 is required to secure your puppy reservation. We start matching puppies on week 7
- Selection Process: We review all applications and select suitable homes based on completion of application, absence of disqualifying factors, and receipt of the \$500.00 deposit. Puppies will be allocated in the order of completed applications and deposits. We strive to meet your needs to the best of our ability. Thank you for your cooperation.
- **Agreement:** By signing below, you acknowledge that you have read and understood the terms and conditions of this application contract.

**Confirmation and Response:** You will receive a confirmation email within 48 hours of submission. Thank you for taking the time to complete our puppy application. We look forward to reviewing your submission.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_