

“Puppy Waiting List Policy”

Because puppies develop their own little personalities just like people do, we feel that it is of great importance to place the “right” puppy with the “right” individual or family! IE: A high energy family, always on the go, who loves to hike, bike, jog, and swim etc. doesn’t want the couch potato lap dog, which fears water and doesn’t like to run! And neither does the quiet home bound family want the higher energy dog that is always begging them to GO!

Therefore, we hire a temperament tester to perform the Puppy Volhard Aptitude Test (PAT) on each puppy on the morning they turn 7 weeks of age. They then choose the right puppy for you based on your application which will tell them what you are looking for in a pet companion, IE: your needs, desires, living conditions, allergies, lifestyles, ages, kids ages, etc.

Please remember there is very little (if any) difference in the temperaments of male vs. female IN THIS BREED, so if you are flexible in your choice of the sex of your puppy, chances are greater that you will receive the best puppy fit for you, with the least amount of wait time. When the litter you applied for is born, if you are sex specific and there are not enough puppies of that sex in that litter, you may move your reservation to a future litter, **BUT YOU WILL GO TO THE BOTTOM OF THAT LITTERS WAIT LIST**, and may have to pay a price increase if born a different year. The decision to move to another litter MUST be made upon notification of birth announcement. So PLEASE consider being flexible on the sex of you puppy for this reason.

All puppy deposits are NON-refundable for any reason and you can only move to another litter at the time of birth of your litter. We understand that “life happens” to us all, but once we fill a litter’s wait list, we are turning customers away from that litter. So, if you need to cancel taking a puppy from your litter, you will have to reapply and send a new deposit for a future litter.

****You are welcome to visit the litter after they are 6 weeks old (on an assigned visitation day) after we give them their first Parvo virus vaccination. Parvo is a very deadly virus that can live in the ground for up to 10 years and be transported into our home by visitors. If contracted a litter will succumb to the virus within a few short days, and an entire litter may die. Because of this, our visitation policy is for adopting families only, and only after the puppies have been vaccinated against Parvo.****

When the puppies are 7 weeks of age, we first have them examined by a licensed veterinarian who will evaluate them for confirmation and structure in order to choose breeding stock. We will then have them temperament tested.

Once we have then chosen any breeding prospect puppies, the tester will match the remaining puppies with the right family. We will then contact you via email and let you know which puppy the tester chose for you, followed by a sales contract to sign. All puppies must be paid in full by that day if not already and sales agreements signed on that day.

Remember that all of Desert Winds Labradoodles puppies will make wonderful companion pets and have come from a loving and socialized environment. They are all healthy and happy puppies but will have their own unique personalities and temperaments. Please also remember, just like there are no “perfect” human beings, there also are no “perfect” dogs.

Thank you for understanding our desire to help place the right companion animal for you, who will be your loving family member for many years to come!