

DOG TRAINING AGREEMENT

This agreement is by and between:

Mr. Herbert Lowry (Training Coach)
302 West 32nd Street
Lumberton, NC 28358
(910) 729-2794

(Owner) _____
Address _____

Telephone _____

Mr. Lowry agrees to do the following:

- 1) Train one German Shepherd Dog, described below, in the sport of IPO (1, 2, 3), including an AD title and the BH degree.
- 2) Perform training in a humane manner (humane manner involves the teaching method(s) of compulsion, luring, and/or shaping).
- 3) Board and groom (simply brushing and combing the dog's coat) said dog throughout the training period.
- 4) Present evidence, by way of DVDs/Videos to the owner, of the continual progression of the dog.
- 5) Provide appropriate housing/shelter, food (any special diet or supplements shall be provided by owner), socialization and safety while the dog is in his procession.
- 6) Not misrepresent the truth of the dog's temperament (in his opinion) both pro and con.
- 7) Return calls, emails, iMessages, etc., in a timely manner.
- 8) Give an appraisal as to when he thinks the dog will be ready for the first level of competition and an immediate report of the results when he does trial. (It's important to note here that no one can guarantee a result. The best trainers in the world have all had bad trial days, even with some of the top dogs in the world -- their own dogs that they train intensely for years. "Every Dog has its day"!)
- 9) Notify owner in case of an emergency and/or of the need to visit a veterinarian. (Costs of veterinarian services are the responsibility of owner).

Owner agrees to do the following:

- 1) Pay the entry fees for all trials.
- 2) Provide a USCA score book, pedigree, proof of ownership, health certificate of dog, 2" agitation collar, agitation harness, pinch collar and crate.
- 3) Be realistic as to the timeline and potential of the dog.
- 4) Pay any training costs on the due date by cash/cashier's check.
- 5) Return calls, emails, iMessages, etc., in a timely manner.
- 6) Understand the potential risk(s) of injury to the dog while IPO training.

*The following costs may be adjusted (ever so slightly) in favor of the owner in some circumstances. I do not know of any trainer willing to do the necessary work to obtain IPO titles, at lower rates, without the overuse/abuse of the dog. The same training in Germany will cost \$8,000.00 - \$10,000.00!

**Please understand you will not do yourself or your dog any favors if you "bargain shop." In this, as in most areas of commerce, you get what you pay for. But in this case, it is a living, breathing creature that will suffer if your cheap pick is also a careless, inhumane trainer. Just as you took the time to find a good puppy, spend at least as much effort in finding someone to whom you entrust your dog. I am such a person. Good breeders understand that when you find a good trainer, you have found a valuable asset for you, your dog and kennel.

Projected Timeline and Cost for IPO:

Owner fully understands the many dynamics that go into training/titling an IPO dog; among them weather conditions and trial dates. Thus, making an absolute timeline impossible. Nevertheless, 10-14 months seems a logical possibility. This estimation is based, in-part, on the dog's age and earlier evaluation.

The cost of the training is:

BH \$2,400.00

AD \$700.00

IGP 1 \$5,400.00

IGP 2 \$6,400.00

IGP 3 \$7,500.00

Projected Timeline and Cost for Obedience:

DISPUTES

This agreement is not integrated or merged. Oral testimony may be used to explain or supplement the terms of the agreement. The words of this agreement shall not be construed against the drafter but given their natural and ordinary meaning in the context of this agreement. In the event of a dispute, the burden shall be on the Owner to establish with written receipts, and other competent evidence that Training Coach has misled, misrepresented and/or neglected to fulfill his obligations listed above.

Jurisdiction and venue for enforcement of DISPUTES shall be heard in Cumberland County, North Carolina.

Signature of Training Coach: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Owner: _____

Date: _____

DESCRIPTION OF DOG

This agreement concerns a dog described as follows:

Name of Dog: _____

Breed: _____

Sex: _____

Color/Markings: _____

Whelped: D _____ M _____ Y _____

Sire: _____ SV/AKC# _____

Dam _____ SV/AKC# _____

AKC REG # _____

Registered _____