

Lori Price – JOTUNHEIM GREAT SWISS -

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Thank you for your interest in Jotunheim Swissies. Please complete the following questionnaire in order to aid me in matching my pups with the homes that best suit them. If you would like to add additional pages, please feel free to do so. You may return the completed questionnaire to the address above.

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Please list NAMES and AGES of *all* family members in the home: _____:

Are you planning to add children to your family in the next one to two years?

HOME ENVIRONMENT

Where do you live? _____

Describe your home: _____

Do you have acreage? _____

Do you have a fenced yard? If so, what is the approximate size of the yard and what type/height of fence do you have?

Do you own or rent your home? _____

What is your occupation? _____

What is your work schedule and typical hours per week? _____

What is the occupation of your Spouse/Companion? _____

What is your Spouse/Companion's work schedule and typical hours per week? _____

Is anyone in your household allergic to dogs or other animals? _____

Does any member of your household smoke? _____

What is your experience with large breed dogs (dogs over 80 lbs.) specifically WORKING Group dogs? _____

Does everyone in your household like dogs? _____

If you have children, are they accustomed to being around large (over 100 lbs), energetic dogs?

Has any member of your household had a bad experience with dogs (been bitten or otherwise frightened)? Please explain _____

In what areas of the home would your dog be permitted? _____

GENERAL INFORMATION

How did you become familiar with the GSMD? _____

When did you begin your search for a GSMD puppy? _____

Have you met an adult Greater Swiss Mountain Dog? YES NO

If yes, please list the owner's name and place of meeting: _____

Why do you believe the Great Swiss Mountain Dog is the right breed for you and your family? _____

Are you familiar with the history of the breed? _____

Are you aware that the GSMD can be difficult to train and housetraining can take up to six months? _____

Are you aware that the GSMD sheds year round with heavier seasonal sheds? _____

Are you aware that the GSMD breed is prone to some health problems the treatment for which can cost thousands of dollars? _____

Are you aware that the GSMD has an above average incidence of epilepsy and urinary incontinence (in females), which although often treatable, can be difficult or trying conditions to live with? _____

Please list the pets you have owned over the past ten years. If a pet has passed away, please include age and cause of death: _____

What other breeds have you considered in your search and why? _____

Have you ever returned a dog to the breeder? If so, what was the reason? _____

Have you ever taken a pet to an Animal Shelter? If so, please explain the circumstances. _____

Have you ever given away or sold a dog? If yes, under what circumstances? _____

Have you ever adopted an animal from a shelter or taken in a rescue? _____

Have you ever bred a litter of dogs? If yes, how many and what breeds? _____

What type of dog personality are you looking for? What habits or behaviors would you not be able to tolerate? Describe what you expect of and for this puppy. _____

CARE AND TRAINING

Who will be the primary caretaker of the dog? _____

Where will this new puppy/dog primarily be living?

Inside dog living with the family;

Inside dog, but not sharing the same living space as family members (i.e. ...lives in the basement or garage)

Outside or kennel dog most of the time

Outside dog or kennel dog all of the time

Is someone at home all or part of the day? _____

How many hours will the dog be left alone each day? _____

Where will the dog stay when family members are not home? _____

What are your thoughts on crate training? Do you plan to use a crate to train your dog? If yes, what is the maximum time daily that the dog would be crated? _____

Do you travel often? How many weeks out of the year are you typically away from home on vacation or other travel (work, etc) What arrangements will be made for the care of your dog while you are away? _____

Where will your dog sleep at night?

How do you plan to housebreak your puppy? _____

How will you exercise your dog? _____

Would you agree to feed a premium food to your Swissy even if it costs more? (at least \$30 for 40lbs. An adult GSMD will eat 40 lbs a month) Would you be able to feed your puppy at least 3 times per day and your adult Swissy 2 times per day? _____

Would you have the time to take your puppy to a weekly obedience class from the time he is about 12 weeks old, until he is able to pass a Canine Good Citizen Test? (this typically involves at least one 6 week session of Puppy K classes and at least one 6 week session of Basic Obedience classes with classes meeting for 1 hour once a week) _____

Have you ever trained a dog? Please describe your level of training experience. _____

How do you plan to socialize your Swissy? _____

What is your estimate on costs to care for your Swissy for a year? (food, preventative vet care, etc.) _____

Are you willing to commit to this dog for the next 10-12 years? _____

OTHER

Do you prefer a male or female dog? Please explain the preference. _____

Do you plan to show or breed your dog? _____

Do you plan to compete with your Swissy in Obedience or Agility Trials, or compete in Working Events such as Draft or Herding Trials or Pack Dog Hikes? _____

What activities do you plan on doing with your Swissy? _____

Will you agree to spay or neuter your Swissy if bought as a companion animal? _____

Would you agree NOT to breed the dog (if sold as a show/breeding prospect) until the dog is 24 months of age, has completed its AKC Championship, and passed its basic health clearances (received skeletal clearances by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals and eye clearance from CERF)? _____

Would you agree to return this dog to me if for any reason you are unable to keep it? _____

Were you referred to me by anybody in particular? YES NO

If Yes, please list them: _____

Please explain the reasons (if any) you may have for wanting to get your GSMD from me or from a specific

Are you working with other GSMD breeders or are you on any other GSMD breeders' waiting lists? _____

When would you like to purchase your puppy? Immediately? In the next few months? Next year? If you have a preference for a particular time frame or time of year, please explain _____

Will you be willing and able to travel here to pick up your puppy? _____

Please feel free to add any additional comments or questions you might have here or on an additional sheet of paper.

(you may use the reverse side of this sheet) _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete my questionnaire. I take pride in being very selective in my placement process. I make every effort to match the right pup with the right environment. It is crucial to me that my pups have a great life and are placed with people who share my level of commitment to the dog. After consideration of this questionnaire, you will be notified as to upcoming or planned litters.

Signing this application signifies that all answers and information provided in this application are truthful and that you have made no misrepresentations.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____ DATE: _____

PREFERENCE:

_____ SHOW/BREEDING PROSPECT

_____ PET/ NON- BREEDING/. COMPANION

_____ MALE

_____ FEMALE