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PUPPY PURCHASE CONTRACT

PLEASE READ THIS CONTRACT CAREFULLY AND MAKE SURE TO FILL IN ALL THE BLANKS. INITIAL AND DATE EACH PAGE. THE BUYER AND SELLER MUST SIGN AND DATE THE CONTRACT BEFORE BUYER TAKES OWNERSHIP OF THE PUPPY.

The Buyer Agrees to Purchase the following German Shorthaired Pointer Puppy:

Puppy Name: DOB:	Price (SHIPPING NOT INCLUDED):
Gender:	Color/Markings:
Sire:	Dam:
AKC Registration # (Limited):	NAVHDA Registration # (Limited):

Puppy Health Guarantee & Buyer Agreement

1. Mandatory 48-Hour Vet Examination

- **Requirement:** The Buyer **must** have the puppy given a complete physical examination by a licensed veterinarian within **48 hours** of taking possession, and retain written documentation of the exam.
- **Failure to Comply:** If the puppy is not examined within this 48-hour window, **this health guarantee becomes null and void.**

2. What Is Covered

- **Serious Physical Conditions:** If a licensed veterinarian diagnoses the puppy with a serious, life-threatening physical condition within the first 48 hours, the Seller will replace the puppy with one of equal value from a current or future litter as available.
- **Seller Rights & Conditions:**
 - **No Cash Refunds.** Replacement only.
 - The original puppy **must** be returned to the Seller.
 - The Buyer is responsible for all shipping/transport costs for returning and replacing the puppy.
 - The Seller reserves the right to obtain a second veterinarian opinion at the Seller's expense before issuing a replacement.

3. Exclusions & Limitations

All puppies are preventatively treated for parasites (worms, coccidia, giardia) and are up to date on age-appropriate vaccinations prior to departure.

The Seller does not cover medical treatment costs, refunds, or replacements for:

- **Stress-Induced & Parasitic Issues:** Parvovirus, Coccidia, or Giardia once the puppy leaves our kennel (as these can be triggered by shipping stress, diet changes, or environment).
- **Treatable Respiratory / Minor Ailments:** Kennel Cough, minor bacterial/viral colds, upper respiratory infections, or easily treatable parasites.

2-Year Genetic & Hereditary Guarantee

1. Breeding Standards & Health Testing

Both the Sire and Dam have been health tested—including **hips, elbows, cardiac, and eyes**—and possess **clear breed specific genetic panels**. While we carefully select our breeding stock to minimize health risks, genetics can occasionally present unexpected conditions.

2. Scope of Coverage

- **Duration:** Covered up to **two (2) years of age**.
- **Eligible Conditions:** Covers severe genetic or hereditary defects that significantly impair vital bodily functions (including inherited hip conditions proven via OFA/PennHIP X-rays).
- **Specific Exclusions:** Does **not** cover skin allergies, mange, or umbilical hernias.

3. Claims & Required Documentation

To request a replacement for a covered genetic condition or premature death:

- **Vet Documentation:** The Buyer must provide a signed, dated diagnostic statement and official evidence (e.g., X-rays, necropsy report) from a licensed veterinarian proving the condition is inherited.
- **Second Opinion:** The Seller reserves the right to require a second opinion from a veterinarian of the Seller's choice, **at the Buyer's expense**.

4. Seller Remedies & Terms

- **No Vet Bills:** The Seller **will not pay or reimburse any veterinarian bills** for any reason.
- **Replacement Policy:** If a claim is approved, the Seller will replace the puppy with one of equal value from an available litter.
 - If the replacement puppy is higher in price, the Buyer pays the difference.
 - All shipping and transport fees are non-refundable and paid by the Buyer.
- **Seller Discretion:** Cash refunds are not provided unless initiated strictly at the Seller's sole discretion (limited to the original purchase price only; shipping excluded).

BUYER AGREEMENTS & OBLIGATIONS

1. Delivery & Schedule

- **Release Date:** Puppies will not leave until **10 weeks of age** and after receiving **two (2) sets of vaccines** (administered at 6 and 9 weeks).
- **Deworming:** Puppies are dewormed four times using two distinct medications prior to departure. A positive worm test at a vet exam is easily treatable and **will not** qualify for refunds, compensation, or returns.
- **Match & Visits:** Puppy matches occur at 6 weeks. In-person visits are welcome with **at least 72 hours advance notice**.

2. Required Care & Health Maintenance

- **General Care:** Buyer agrees to provide proper living conditions, shelter, adequate fencing, quality food, fresh water, and regular veterinary care (including parasite prevention, heartworm, flea/tick control, and a vet-approved deworming schedule).
- **Tethering Prohibition:** Under no circumstances may the puppy/dog be kept on a chain or tether (excluding leash-walking).
- **Dietary Restriction:** Puppies/dogs **must never be fed a grain-free diet** due to the associated risk of Dilated Cardiomyopathy (DCM).

3. Right of First Refusal / Rehoming

- If the Buyer is ever unable to keep the dog or intends to transfer ownership for any reason, the dog **must be surrendered back to Vogeljäger Gun Dogs** in accordance with the protocol detailed in Section 11.

4. NAVHDA and AKC Registration & Full Breeding Rights

All puppies are sold with **NAVHDA and AKC Limited Registration**. Full registration and breeding rights are not automatic and are evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

To be considered for Full Registration, the dog must meet **all** of the following criteria:

1. **Performance/Title Requirement:** Must earn a **NAVHDA Natural Ability Prize III or higher**, OR complete four (4) legs/braces to earn an **AKC Junior Hunter (JH)** title.
2. **Complete Health Clearances:** After 24 months of age, the dog must obtain official OFA/PennHIP certifications with the following results:
 - **Hips:** Rated **Good** or **Excellent** (Fair or lower will not be considered).

- **Elbows:** Rated **Normal**.
 - **Cardiac:** Certified **Normal**.
 - **Eyes:** Certified **Normal**.
 - **Embark Genetic Panel:** Must have a **clear genetic panel** (free of actionable breed-specific genetic mutations/diseases).
3. **Age Requirement:** No dog may be bred prior to 24 months of age and until all health clearances are completed and approved.
 4. **Breeding Standards:** Approved dogs must only be bred responsibly to dogs of equal or superior lineage.

5. Unapproved Breeding & Penalty

- **Unauthorized Breeding Penalty:** Any dog bred without written approval and granted breeding rights—whether **purposeful or accidental**—will incur an immediate **\$18,000 USD penalty** plus any applicable court costs and legal fees, payable directly to the Seller. *(This reflects the average value of a well-bred GSP litter).*
- **Full Registration Policy:** Full registration **cannot** be purchased. The Seller does not guarantee that any puppy sold will ultimately qualify for breeding.

6. Spay, Neuter & Age Restrictions

To allow growth plates to fully close and protect structural health:

- **Spay/Neuter Minimum Age:** Neither males nor females may be spayed or neutered prior to **24 months of age**.
- **Guarantee Void:** Altering (spaying/neutering) a dog before 24 months of age **completely voids all hip and joint guarantees**.
- **Breeding Age Requirement:** For both dog and bitches granted breeding rights, they must not be bred until 24 months of age and all required OFA/PennHIP/Embark testing is completed and passed.

7. Registered Naming Conventions

- All litters are pre-registered with our kennel name: **Vogeljäger**.
- Every puppy's registered name must follow the assigned litter letter and end with "von Vogeljäger."
 - *Example: "A" Litter = Anna von Vogeljäger, "C" Litter = Clyde von Vogeljäger.*

8. Biosecurity, Public Exposure & Ground Protocol

- **Public Risk Areas:** Puppies must **not** be brought to high-risk public areas (including dog parks, pet stores, public parks, or public hiking trails) until at least 48 hours AFTER the final vaccine in the puppy series has been administered by a licensed veterinarian.
- **Home Outdoor Protocol:** Potty training in your own private, secure yard is expected, but public grounds and high-traffic dog areas must be strictly avoided prior to full vaccination.
- **4th Parvovirus Vaccine & Exclusion:** It is highly recommended that the Buyer administers a 4th Parvovirus vaccine at their veterinarian. Please note that Parvovirus is strictly **not covered** under any health guarantee, nor is it grounds for refunds, vet bill reimbursements, or puppy replacements. Environmental management is entirely the Buyer's responsibility once the puppy leaves our kennel.

9. Exercise & Physical Development Limits

Growth Plates: A puppy's bones grow from soft, developing cartilage areas known as growth plates. Until these growth plates fully close and solidify into dense bone (typically between 12 to 24 months of age), repetitive, high-impact stress can injure the growth plates, damage the soft cartilage, and cause the joint sockets to form improperly. Because we guarantee structural joint health, protecting these open growth plates during early development is essential.

- **Strenuous Exercise Restriction:** Heavy, high-impact, or strenuous exercise—including but not limited to forced jogging, weight pulling, or repetitive high-impact training—is strictly prohibited before **12 months of age**.
- **Guarantee Void:** Engaging in strenuous activity prior to 12 months (even if approved by a veterinarian) **voids all guarantees pertaining to hips, elbows, shoulders, or the musculoskeletal system**.

10. Prohibited Activities & Breach of Contract

- **Hog Hunting & Bay Pens (Strictly Prohibited):** Buyer agrees **never** to run, hunt, or expose the puppy/dog to hogs (dead or alive) for any reason, including bay pens or tracking shot hogs. Hogs pose extreme risks of severe injury or death.
- **Dog Fighting & Illegal Activity:** Participating in dog fighting or any illegal activity with the puppy/dog is strictly prohibited.
- **Consequences of Breach:** Violating these prohibitions constitutes an immediate breach of contract, making **all health guarantees null and void**. The Seller reserves the right to immediately repossess the puppy/dog. The Buyer is responsible for all legal and

recovery fees incurred by the Seller to retrieve the animal.

11. Transfers, Surrenders & Rehoming Protocol

- **Strict Rehoming Requirement:** Under no circumstances may the puppy/dog be sold, leased, traded, surrendered, or given away to any third party, breeder, kennel, pet shop, research lab, or animal shelter.
- **Mandatory Surrender:** If the Buyer cannot keep the dog at any point in its life, it **must** be surrendered back to Vogeljäger Gun Dogs.
- **Surrender & Resale Terms:**
 - No initial purchase refund is provided upon surrender.
 - A **\$20/day boarding fee** will be charged to cover care, assessment, and any necessary training/conditioning (e.g., bird work for a started dog).
- **Resale vs. Placement:** Vogeljäger Gun Dogs will evaluate the dog's health, temperament, and social behavior.
 - If the dog is suitable for resale, it will be sold at a price determined solely by Vogeljäger Gun Dogs. After deducting all accrued boarding, training, and care fees, any remaining balance from the resale price will be remitted to the Buyer. Any profit above the original value remains the property of Vogeljäger Gun Dogs.
 - **Unsocialized / Non-Rehomable Dogs:** If the dog cannot be safely resold due to a lack of proper socialization, training, or behavioral issues, Vogeljäger Gun Dogs reserves the right to place the dog in a suitable home free of charge or handle placement at our sole discretion. In this event, **no funds will be returned to the Buyer, and no replacement puppy will be given.**

12. Financial Terms & Incentives

- **Deposit Fees:** All deposits applied to a puppy, dog, or pick spot are **strictly non-refundable**. Deposits may be transferred to a future litter.
- **Shipping Expenses:** All shipping and transportation costs are the sole responsibility of the Buyer.
- **NAVHDA Incentive:** If the Buyer tests the puppy in a **NAVHDA Natural Ability (NA) test**, the Buyer is eligible for a **\$200 refund**.

13. Entirety of Agreement & Contract Transferability

- **Non-Transferable:** This contract is non-transferable and applies solely to the original purchaser.
- **Full Agreement:** This document constitutes the entire agreement between Buyer and

Seller. Failure by the Buyer to adhere to any part of this agreement results in immediate forfeiture of all guarantees, and gives the Seller full permission to reclaim the puppy/dog without cash or replacement refunds.

Contract Enforcement, Repossession & Negligence

- **Right of Repossession:** If any term of this agreement is breached or if the puppy/dog is placed in danger due to buyer neglect or non-compliance, Vogeljäger Gun Dogs reserves the immediate right to take full possession of the animal.
- **Legal Action & Court Costs:** Repossession may be executed through formal court proceedings. The Buyer agrees to pay all legal fees, court costs, and enforcement expenses incurred by Vogeljäger Gun Dogs to recover the dog.
- **Gross Negligence:** Executing this contract and subsequently failing to abide by its provisions constitutes **gross negligence**, establishing the Buyer as fully at fault for endangering the animal and violating this agreement.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT & SIGNATURES

(Buyer acknowledges they have read, understand, and agree to all terms and requirements of this contract).

SIGNATURES:

Buyer Printed: _____

Buyer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Seller Printed: _____

Seller Signature: _____ Date: _____

BUYER INFORMATION

- Name: _____
- Address: _____
- City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____