**BernerDaze Berners**

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This questionnaire is designed to aid us in the potential placing of a Bernese Mountain Dog into your home that will be compatible with your family and lifestyle. It may also help in areas where you may need information and guidance. If you would like to pursue the possibility of obtaining a Bernese Mountain Dog, please complete this form and return to us.

**Name:  
Address:  
City, Province code:  
Phone number(s):  
Email address:**

**What made you want to get a Bernese Mountain Dog?**

**How would you describe the area you live?   
Apartment: City: Condo: House: Rural: Suburb:  
Are you renting or live in a Condo? YES/NO:   
If yes, does your landlord or “homeowners” allow dogs (big dogs)? YES/NO:   
Do you have a fenced yard? YES/NO:   
Will this BMD be a surprise for anyone in the home? YES/NO:  
Have you ever owned a dog before? YES/NO:   
If yes, have you ever owned a large/giant breed of dog before:  
If yes, what breed(s)?   
Have you ever raised a puppy before? YES/NO:  
If yes, please explain:**

**Will your dog be an inside or outside dog:  
How many hours in a 24 hour time frame will your dog be left alone?   
Where will your dog stay when you are not home?  
Where will your dog sleep at night?  
Do you have a specific request for who is the Sire/Dam of your puppy?   
Do you have any concerns regarding spaying/neutering your pet? YES/NO:   
If yes, explain:**

**Are you willing to sign a spay/neuter contract? YES/NO:   
What qualities are you looking for in a Bernese Mountain Dog?   
Have you ever owned a Bernese Mountain Dog?  
Do you have a: fenced yard: covered patio: shade trees: kennel or dog run: or other (Please Explain):**

**What brand of food do you plan on feeding your dog?   
How would you discipline or correct your dog?   
How often do you plan on exercising your Bernese Mountain Dog?   
Do you have any plans to move in the near future?   
If, at some time you do move, what will you do with your pet?**

**What is your plan for the dog if an unexpected circumstance arises such as, but not limited to, divorce, move, new baby, loss of a job, serious illness etc:**

**If for any reason you must give up your BMD, would you be willing to return it to the breeder? YES/NO:   
Are you looking for a protection dog? YES/NO:  
What energy level are you looking for in a Bernese Mountain Dog?**

* **HIGH (A dog that fits in a very active lifestyle. A dog that likes to go where you go)**
* **MODERATE (A dog that likes to go on regular walks, hikes & car rides. A dog that like to go where you go)**
* **LOW (A dog that likes to go on walks and watch TV with you on your feet. A dog that likes a quieter lifestyle)  
  What personality traits would you find UN-desirable in a dog?   
  How do you plan on picking up your puppy from us? Drive, ship (ground/air), or fly with the puppy?**

**Do you have other pets? Species, Breed, Age, etc:**

**Have you ever euthanized a pet in the past? YES/NO:  
If yes, please explain:**

**Have you ever rehomed a dog in the past? YES/NO:   
If yes, please explain why and how (given to shelter, sold, etc):**

**Bernese Mountain Dogs require some amount of grooming to maintain their beautiful coat. Are you willing to commit to keeping your dog groomed so their coat doesn’t get matted (this will also greatly decrease their shedding)? YES/NO:  
Are you aware of the potential health risks in a Bernese Mountain Dog? YES/NO:  
If yes, please name a few:**

**Are you willing and able to maintain your dog’s routine expenses for its entire life (this would include things like food, vaccinations, vet bills, training, boarding, toys, travel and many others)? YES/NO:  
Are you interested in keeping in contact with the breeder of your dog? YES/NO:   
What is important to you in a breeder?**

**Are you aware that dogs (puppies) go through stages of growth and several of those stages have the ability to make even the sanest human being want to throw said puppy out the window for good? Is this something you will be able to work through with patience and perseverance until together you come to that mature dog stage that we all love?   
YES/NO/I SURE HOPE SO:**

**Is your lifestyle the kind that will enable you to spend time every day with this beautiful, kind, gentle and intelligent dog? YES/NO:  
How did you hear about BernerDaze Bernese Mountain Dogs?   
Will your dog ever have to be tied up or on a chain for any time, even when you are home?**

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_**

**Thank you for your interest in our BernerDaze puppies! Please email this application to sharkin4@gmail.com. We require a $400.00 non-refundable deposit for our puppies. This is deducted from the purchase price. We want to make sure you have carefully thought through your decision to get a Berner puppy and not regret this decision later and have to rehome or give up this beautiful dog.**

**Thank you!**

**Sharon and Riley Arkinstall**