

## **Holther Border Collie Questionnaire**

If you are interested in being considered for a Border Collie, please fill out the following questionnaire. The purpose of this questionnaire is to help me decide if one of my puppies is a good fit for your situation. As a breeder, my responsibility is first and foremost to my puppies and trying to match them with the right home.

**Please fill out and email back to HOLTHERBORDERS@aol.com**

**You can also print this page and hand-write it and then scan or snail-mail it to me as well.**

Your full name:

Email address:

Phone numbers:

Best way to reach you:

1. Have you ever owned a Border Collie? If so, please tell me a bit more.

2. What made you decide to purchase a Border Collie?

3. Do you prefer a male or a female or no preference?

Why?

4. Which color do you prefer? What colors in BCs are you willing to have?

5. Which of the following activities are of interest to you? (Agility, Disc, Obedience, Herding, Conformation, Active Family Companion, etc)

Do you wish to compete or just do these activities for fun?

6. Have you ever earned a title on a dog? YES or NO

If Yes, please list below what types:

7. Are you planning on attending training classes? YES or NO

If YES, please tell me who/where/or name of place where you plan to go or if you need recommendations.

8. If you are not wishing to possibly show in conformation, are you willing to have your Border Collie spayed or neutered?

If not, what are your reasons?

9. Do you currently own any other dogs? YES OR NO

If Yes, please list them below along with breed, age, sex and spay/neuter status:

10. If you currently do not own any dogs, can you tell me about your past experience with dogs and/or Border Collies specifically?

11. Do you have young children? YES OR NO

If Yes, please list their ages below and give me a brief idea of their exposure to dogs:

12. Is your yard fenced? If not, what are your plans for exercising your dog?
13. Does anyone in your family have allergies to dogs?
14. Who will be the primary care giver?
15. How many hours per day will this dog be left alone?
16. Where will the puppy be when no one is home - (such as: loose, crated, confined to kitchen, garage, back yard, kennel or other?)
17. Where will the dog sleep at night? - (such as: on the bed, loose, crated, confined to kitchen, basement, garage, back yard, kennel or other?)
18. Do you have any livestock, cats or other animals other than dogs? If so, please list.
19. Have you ever given a dog up to a shelter, pound or rescue group, if yes, please explain.

20. Have you ever returned a dog to its breeder, if yes, please explain.
21. Are you willing to stay in regular contact with us for the life of the dog and provide updates and photos?
22. How much do you expect to pay for a puppy?
23. What do you plan to feed your puppy? What do you feed your other dogs if you have other dogs?
24. Please tell me a bit about what you are looking for in a Border Collie. As well as what a typical day in the life of a BC pup would be like with you.
25. Please tell me a bit about your training methods. How do or will you plan to house train? How do you or how will you correct or change unwanted behaviors? How will you teach certain behaviors? What behaviors are most important to you? Are there certain behaviors that you absolutely cannot tolerate? Please explain.
26. Do you plan to pick up your puppy or would you want your puppy to be shipped to you?

27. Have you spoken with any other breeders? YES OR NO

If Yes, please list them below:

Have they added you to their waiting list?

28. How did you learn about my Border Collies?

29. Are you at all interested in being contacted about an older dog or older puppy needing placement? YES OR NO

**Please list a few references**

**(Veterinarian, person active in dogs or close acquaintance preferred).**

Please include an e-mail address or phone number for each if possible:

Veterinarian:

Reference 2:

Reference 3:

**By submitting this form, you are stating that all of the above information is accurate and true.**