



Jean E's Boston Terriers

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Application/Questionnaire for Potential Puppy Buyers

Please check or circle answers not requiring written answers.

How did you hear about JeanE's Boston Terriers?

Have you ever been owned by a Boston Terrier before? (Circle or Check one)

No ___ Yes ___ ... (.if yes explain):

If you now have or have had a Boston in the past, please list the registered names of each and how they were acquired:

If No, have you researched the Boston Terrier breed? Yes ___ No ___

What kind of research was done?

Are you interested in a Puppy ___ Adolescent ___ or Adult Dog? ___(Check all that apply)

Are looking for a pet/companion or a show potential puppy? _____

Do you prefer a: (Check or Circle One) Male ____ Female ____ No Preference ____
Why do you prefer this gender?

Are looks or size important to you? (Circle or Check One)
No ____ Yes ____ ... if yes explain:

Would you be interested in a "rescue" dog if there was one available that met your needs? No ____ Yes ____

If we decided to place a show potential puppy with your family would you be willing to show it or hire a handler to show and complete it's championship? No ____ Yes ____

Personal Information:

Full Name:

Complete Address:

E-mail:

Home phone: _____ Best time to call: _____

6. Do you work? (Check or Circle One)
Full-Time Part-Time Retired Work at home Don't Work

7. Employer:

About Your Home:

What type of home do you have? (Check or Circle One)

House Apartment Condominium Duplex Garage Apartment Mobile Home

Do you own or rent? (Circle One)

Own Rent

If you rent, does your lease allow dogs*?

(*We require renters to send documentation that dogs of this size are allowed in this dwelling.)

Length of time at current address: (Check or Circle One)

Less than 1 year 1 to 2 years 3 to 5 years More than 5 years

If less than 1 year, give previous address:

Is your property fenced? (Circle One)

Yes ____ No ____

What are the height and the type of your fence?

Do you have a swimming pool? (Circle One)

Yes ____ No ____

If you do not have a fenced yard, what arrangements do you plan to make for exercise and toilet duties? _____

List the names, ages and relationship of those who reside with you:

Are you planning on having any children in the next 5 years?

Is everyone in your household in agreement with getting a new Boston Terrier?

Yes ____ No ____ If No, please explain:

What is your marital status? (Check or Circle One)

Married Single Significant Other Widowed

If there are children in your home, what are their ages? _____

Have the children been around animals before? How will they feel about a new member to the household?

Your Plans if You Acquire a Puppy:

How many hours, on average, will the dog spend alone?

If your puppy must be left alone during the daytime because of work schedule, are you willing to come home mid-day for a visit or pay for a daytime insured pet sitter/walker until your puppy is 9 months old? Yes ____ No ____

If you move, what will you do this dog? _____

Where will the puppy/dog be when you are **at home** during the day? (Check or Circle or check all that apply)

Loose Indoors Loose outdoors in fenced yard Crate

Basement Tied or chained outside Kennel Run

Garage Other (describe)

Where will the puppy /dog be when you are **away** from home during the day? (Circle or Check all that apply)

Loose Indoors	Loose outdoors in fenced yard	Crate
Basement	Tied or chained outside	Garage
Kennel Run	Doggie Day Care	Other (describe)

Where will the puppy/dog spend the night? (Circle or Check all that apply)

Loose Indoors	Loose outdoors in fenced yard	Crate
Basement	Tied or chained outside	Garage
Kennel Run	In my bed	Other (describe)

Please explain how you will ensure the safety of this puppy while you are at work or away from your home and the puppy is alone?

Do you agree that it is in the best interest of your new puppy to take it to at least a puppy kindergarten/beginners obedience class, and will you sign a contract that states you promise to do so and show me proof of graduation? Yes ___ No ___ If "NO", then what are your plans for training the puppy?

Do you promise to have short designated Play Periods each and every day with your puppy and to follow my advice on what is appropriate play exercise? Yes ___ No ___
If No, explain:

Do you promise to restrict any stair climbing to only times when the puppy is in your immediate supervision until after it is 12 months of age? Yes ___ No ___

Do you agree to **not** let your puppy run and play on slick surfaces such as linoleum flooring, ice, etc. on a day to day basis until it is over 24 months of age? Yes ___ No ___

Who will be primarily involved in the training of your puppy? _____

Are you aware of the health issues that are known to exist in Boston Terriers such as deafness, cataracts, bad knees (patellas), heart problems, etc.? Yes ___ No ___

Will you promise to keep me (Breeder) informed of any health or medical conditions that occur with your puppy whether good or bad? Yes ___ No ___

Are you willing to sign a contract with us stating that you agree to never let your puppy ride in an open bed pick-up truck or open-bowed powerboat? Yes ____ No ____

All our companion puppies are sold on a Spay/Neuter Contract. Will this be agreeable to you? Yes ____ No ____

Are you willing to feed the puppy/dog the diet we, JeanE's Boston Terriers, recommend for the puppy? (We feed a specific organic natural kibble or raw diet to our dogs and it very important to us that the puppy stay on this type of diet for it's entire life.) Yes ____ No ____ If No, What do you plan to feed the puppy? _____

Will you agree to keep your puppy clean by brushing, bathing, cleaning ears and teeth and by keeping nails trimmed on a weekly basis? Yes ____ No ____

Will you take extra precautions so that your puppy will never be left in a car during warm weather as temperatures can rise to dangerous levels very quickly so the dog will not die from heat exhaustion? Yes ____ No ____

Are you willing to stay in contact with the BREEDER, send pictures and updates on the well being of the puppy? Yes ____ No ____

In the event of you having serious illness or death, that rendered it impossible for you to care for your Boston Terrier Will your family know to notify me so together we can decide what is best for your Boston? Yes ____ No ____

Would you be willing to sign a contract stating that you would return the puppy that you purchased from us back to JeanE's Boston Terriers if you are unable to keep it for any reason? (You would not be able to re-sell, give away or "loan out" this puppy.) Yes ____ No ____

If purchasing a show potential puppy,
do you agree to the terms of the health testing, training, and other requirements listed in the contract? Yes ____ No ____

If purchasing a show potential puppy, have you ever shown/exhibited dogs before? Yes ____ No ____

Have you "finished" /completed the requirements for a dog to become a champion before? Yes ____ No ____

Do you have handling classes near by that you and the puppy can attend? Yes ____ No ____

Do agree to make every effort to finish the puppy to its championship? Yes ____ No ____

Lifestyle

Tell me about your lifestyle and what kind of personality/temperament you are looking for in a companion dog.

Do you have a Veterinarian? If so, May we have his/her name and phone number and permission to call and talk to him/her? Yes ____ No ____

Pet Ownership History

What pets have you owned you before?

*Have you personally ever raised a puppy/dog before (not parents or relatives)
Yes ____ No ____*

*Do You Have any dogs other pets in your household now? Yes ____ No ____
If Yes, please give the name, breed, sex and age of each:*

*Are all of your pets spayed or neutered? Yes ____ No ____
If the answer is no, please explain why not:*

How do your pets get along with other animals/dogs?

*How many pets have you owned in the past 5 years? _____
If you no longer have them, please give details explaining what happened to them:*

If you have had a pet die at an early age or have ever lost a pet, please provide details:

Have you ever given a pet up for adoption or put one to sleep? Yes ____ No ____ If "yes" please explain: _____

I, _____, have read and answered this questionnaire honestly and to the best of my ability. I understand that by answering these questions I am not guaranteed to purchase a puppy or to be put on the waiting list, and that the breeder, Jeanette (Jeannie) Thomason, will contact me to let me know whether or not I will be accepted as a prospect. (All adults in the household must sign this application.)

JeanE's Boston Terriers reserves the right to refuse any application.

I certify that all the information on this application is true and complete.

Signature: _____

Print Name here: _____

Date: _____

I would like to take a moment to tell you a little about my breeding philosophy and how I place puppies.

As a "Show Breeder" I do not breed often and my goal when I do, is to produce "healthy" puppies that conform to the Standard as closely as possible. The Boston Terrier Standard was developed to give breeders a description of the ideal Boston. By breeding to the standard, we are ensuring that future generations will continue to look like Boston Terriers, and not lose the uniqueness that makes them stand apart.

Dog Shows are competitions where breeders show their stock and get a judge's opinion on how well they are doing. In a dog show, the judge compares each dog to the standard, not to another dog. The dogs that he/she feels are closest to the ideal are the ones that win that day. So to show breeders, all puppies are evaluated on how they, too, compare to the standard. When I evaluate a puppy, it is with an eye to the future, with the hopes of someday showing it. When a puppy does well in the show ring, it is a confirmation that I am on the right path in my breeding program.

When I breed, I try to make the best match that will produce the nicest puppies. While not every puppy in a litter will make the grade, those that do look promising should be given the opportunity to shine. Therefore, when you see a puppy that is labeled "Show Potential" or "Available to show home", that means that I feel this puppy has

qualities that will enable it to be competitive in the ring someday. While I may be willing to sell this puppy to a pet home, I would ideally like to find a home where the pup may be shown someday, if they continue to develop to their potential.

Because I do health testing on the Sire and Dams of the puppies I breed and am so particular who I do breed and to whom, those pups I do produce are like gold to me. I really don't want to throw their potential away. I understand that this can be very frustrating to the person who is simply looking for a pet puppy and then sees a picture of a puppy they feel they just "HAVE TO HAVE". I have sold several promising pups to non-show homes, and though I don't regret the sales, it is difficult knowing that those pups are 'lost' to me, and their potential will never be known. So with this in mind, please be very careful before committing to buying a show-potential puppy, not just from me, but from any breeder. Do not be unfair by promising to show the dog, and then finding one excuse after another not to. Showing can be a very rewarding endeavor, and many people who try it end up getting 'bit by the bug'. Children can learn valuable lessons about responsibility and sportsmanship by competing in Junior Showmanship, Obedience and Agility. But having a show dog takes commitment, time, and money. It is not a hobby to be taken lightly. Many Boston Breeders are like myself, very small-scale, but dedicated. We do not have the resources to keep every promising pup ourselves, but are willing to let them go to others who want to get a good start. All that we ask in return is that the fruits of our efforts are not wasted. We will go to great lengths to help and mentor newcomers. We see you as the future in the breed. And we want to make sure that the breed is in good hands. So that means that we will be a little choosy about the homes that our pups go to. I hope you understand.

*Dr Jeannie Thomason
JeanE's Boston Terriers*