



QUESTIONS TO ASK A BREEDER

We strongly recommend that you find a good breeder who is following these guidelines.

- How long have you been involved with this breed?
- Can you provide me with references?
- What are your goals in breeding the stud and bitch?
- Do you work or show your dogs?
- Have they earned any titles or been evaluated in their ability to perform traditional activities such as pulling a sled, rig, a person on skis or backpacking?
- Are your dogs involved with agility, obedience or therapy work?
- Do they have Canine Good Citizen certification?
- Will the litter be evaluated for conformation and temperament testing by an expert in these areas?
- Do you breed your dogs to the U.K.C. standard?
- Do you register all your puppies with this organization?
- Will the puppy be DNA-profiled or the litter DNA-parent-verified?
- Have the parents passed an OFA evaluation and a CERF evaluation? At what ages?
- Do you have a breeder/purchaser contract?
- What is covered in this contract (health, spay/neuter, breeding, state laws)?
- Do you have a signed code of ethics by your parent club?
- Can I see the parent dogs' papers, pedigrees, titles, certificates and all contracts before I purchase a puppy?
- Can I physically see the parents or receive photos?
- Can you tell me about the litter's ancestors and siblings?
- Do you take back or provide rescue for any or all puppies you sell? Is there an age limit?
- How do you decide which puppy goes to which home?
- What long-term contract do you maintain with owners of Tattras you have bred?
- What support do you provide for a new owner?
- What do I need to know when I bring my puppy home (food, crate, vaccinations)?
- What are the positive and negative aspects of owning a Tatra?