



KINDLY EMAIL YOUR COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE  
TO [nadineshortland@gmail.com](mailto:nadineshortland@gmail.com)

Your full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your home address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your province:

- Eastern Cape     Natal     Gauteng     Mpumalanga  
 Free State     Southern Cape     Western Cape     Outside South Africa

Do you have a reference that knows me (Nadine Shortland)?

If yes, please supply their name. \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults (over 13 years old) living in the household:

- 1     2     3     4     5 or more

How many children in your household?

- 0     1     2     3     More than 3     We plan to have kids

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

What other animals do you have?

	0	1	2	3	4	5 or more
Dogs	<input type="radio"/>					
Cats	<input type="radio"/>					
Birds	<input type="radio"/>					
Other	<input type="radio"/>					



Describe the property where your puppy will live: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is your property fully fenced/ walled?

Yes     No     We plan to fence it appropriately

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a pool, is it appropriately fenced or covered?

Yes     No     We plan to fence/ cover it appropriately

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like a dog for:

Performance competition     Conformation showing     Pet/Companion

Active outdoor companion     Therapy dog

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever trained a dog?

Yes, for fun     Yes, seriously, at a training school

No, not really, only messing around at home     Never

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Your activity level:

	0	1	2	3	4	5	
Couch potato	<input type="radio"/>	Fitness freak					

Have you owned a Sheltie before? If yes, details? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What other dog breeds have you owned? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a preference of sex?

Male     Female     It doesn't matter



What colours are you partial to? I don't breed merles.  
*(you can choose more than 1)*

- Sable & white (Gold sable)
- Sable & white (Red sable)
- Tri-colour (Black, white & tan)
- Bi-black (Black & white)
- I don't mind
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know that a Sheltie is a yappy breed?

- Yes, I know that they are loud little dogs. I am prepared for the noise.
- Yes, I have heard something like that. I will research further.
- No, I did not know that (please take note!)
- Please talk to me about my options regarding this
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware that Shelties can have hip dysplasia? All Mackland breeding stock is X-rayed for hip and elbow dysplasia prior to breeding. We only breed with healthy dogs. Our Shelties are only bred with A and B scored hips.

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Have you done any research on CEA & PRA in Shelties? It can be a problem. If not, please Google it before purchasing a Sheltie in SA. Mackland will never produce an affected dog as all our breeding stock is DNA tested first. We also DNA test for Von Willebrands Disease Type III, Degenerative Myelopathy, Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia, MDR1 & Pyruvate Dehydrogenase Phosphatase. We are adding more tests all the time as they become available.

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Shelties have their ears set at around 8-10 weeks of age. Do you understand that you may have to keep up with this until they are around 6 months old? Dogs teethe between 4 and 6 months, and their ears can flop all over during this time. Also during this period, the ear cartilage is hardening, and ears can finish in an untidy setting. If they are set during this time (specialised glue or tape), it helps minimise the possibility of the ears dropping or going prick when they are fully grown.

- Yes, I fully understand and will keep up with the ear setting (if required)
- Yes, I understand, but I am not worried about ears
- I do not understand, please explain
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

The puppy will be strictly raised on a premium puppy food (Hills) before going to its new home. Are you willing to continue with this food for a period of at least 1 year? We have no objection to you changing gradually to your own premium brand after that if the food is not working for you. If not, please explain.

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Where will your puppy be while you are at work? And how many hours will the puppy be alone during the day?

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How will your puppy be exercised, bearing in mind that exercise is to be limited in the first 12 months?

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Where will your puppy sleep?

- In my room/ a family members room
- In another room in the house
- In the garage
- Outside in a kennel
- In the yard
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_



Will you spay/ neuter your puppy at around 9-12 months of age if not sold as a conformation puppy?

- Yes I will spay/ neuter
- No, I would like my dog to remain intact
- I don't see the point in sterilising a dog/ bitch

Do you intend on breeding with your Mackland? Breeding restrictions are placed on ALL puppies.

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

If your answer is "yes" or "maybe" to the above question, please explain in full why you are wanting to breed.

*Skip this question if your answer was no to the above question*

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Are you aware of crate training? And will you be using this technique with your pup?

- Yes, I am aware of crate training and I will be using this method
- Yes, I am aware of crate training but I will not be using this method
- No, I do not know what crate training is
- I will research crate training and perhaps consider this method
- Crate training is cruel

Will you take your puppy to puppy socializing classes?

- Yes, I have a school near me
- Yes, please advise on schools near me, should I get a puppy
- No, I do not plan on attending classes
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_



Performance & pet puppies: what level do you hope to achieve in your discipline(s) *(Skip this question if you are not applying for a performance puppy)*

- No training
- Puppy/ home training only
- Beginner level
- Intermediate level
- Advanced level
- SA Championships and National level
- International competition

My aim is for my pup to go to its forever home, to be raised with an equal balance of love, discipline & training, to become a permanent member of your family and to remain with you, whether you move or emigrate – are you willing to do this? No rehoming will be allowed, but I will take the pup back at any stage should you no longer be able to keep it.

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I do not allow prospective owners to choose solely on colours or markings. Puppies are assessed between 6 and 10 weeks of age. Are you willing to let me make a recommendation based upon your answers to this application, and my knowledge of the puppies, to pick the most suitable puppy for your situation? If more than 1 pup is suitable, you will be given a choice.

- Yes, please match a puppy to my lifestyle and requirements
- No, I would like to choose my puppy
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to join the "I have a Mackland Puppy" Facebook page once you have a Mackland dog? This page is a private page for Mackland owners only - for them to share photos/ achievements/ brags/ news etc, as well as to get reminders about relevant things pertaining to their dogs.

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All puppies will go to their new homes with dew claws removed, they are dewormed at 2, 4 & 6 weeks of age, vet booklet with first first inoculation, microchip, a veterinary food puppy pack or voucher, information booklet, birth to 8 weeks photos & videos, KUSA registration papers, and parents photographs/ pedigrees/ information, as well as proof of health testing. Mackland puppies will ALL go on Contract, no exceptions. Do you have any questions?

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Questions or any additional information/ motivation that you feel is relevant to this application:

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*nadineshortland@gmail.com* OR STAY UP TO DATE BY SUBSCRIBING  
TO MY PUPPY BLOG: *www.macklandpups.blogspot.com* OR  
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