

Who Dat Saints Puppy Questionnaire

Deciding to add a Saint Bernard to your family, to us, is a lot like deciding to have a baby. There are many questions a family should ask itself before leaping into parenthood and we here at Who Dat Saints believe similarly that there are numerous questions you should answer before purchasing a Saint Bernard. These questions are in no particular order of importance; however, they are all questions that we believe you should answer for yourself as well as for us before taking home a Who Dat Saint. Please read through these questions and really put some thought into your answers before completing this questionnaire and sending it back to us. Should, once you truly evaluate your situation, you decide you are not quite ready to welcome a Saint Bernard into your home, we appreciate your interest and your honesty with yourself about what is best for your family and our puppies. However, if you are still ready to welcome a small (but not for long), drooling, shedding, sloppy-eating Saint Bernard into your home after careful discussion and consideration; welcome to our insane asylum. Please feel free to send the completed questionnaire to us at your convenience and don't hesitate to add your own list of questions to the bottom of the form as we encourage you to ask lots and questions. When you buy a Saint Bernard puppy from Who Dat Saints, you are buying much more than a puppy. You are buying a piece of our hearts. With this living, breathing part of our world comes a lifetime commitment from us to be there and help you in anyway that we can as you learn and grow with this puppy.

Name:

Address:

Home phone:

Work phone:

Cell:

Email:

1 – Do you want a show puppy or a companion puppy?

2 – Do you want a male or a female?

3 – Do you want a long-hair or short-hair?

4 – Have you ever owned or spent time with a Saint Bernard or Giant Breed dog?

5 – Do you have any pets currently? If yes, what kind and how many?

- 6 – Have you had pets in the past? If yes, what kind, how many and how long ago?
- 7 – Do you currently have a vet that you work with and trust? If yes, name and phone number?
- 8 – Do you live in a single occupancy home, apartment, condo, other?
- 9 – Do you have a yard? If yes, is it fenced? If yes, what size and type of fence?
- 10 – How many people are in you household? Names and ages?
- 11 – What experience do your family members have with dogs and large breed dogs in particular?
- 12 – How many hours per day will your Saint Bernard left alone?
- 13 – Where will the dog stay when left alone?
- 14 – Where will the dog stay when the family is home?
- 15 – How many hours per day will someone spend REAL time with the dog?
- 16 – What plans do you have for training your dog?
- 17 – Will your dog be boarded or travel with you during vacations and leisure time?
- 18 – What is the roll you hope your new Saint Bernard will play in the family unit?
- 19 – Briefly explain what you know about large breed dogs and Saint Bernard in particular.
- 20 – Are you a member of any Breed specific dog clubs? If yes, which club?
- 21 – Why do you want a Saint Bernard?

22 – Are you familiar with health issues that face giant breed dogs and Saint Bernards in particular?

What health and care issues concern you the most?

23 – Are you willing to attend breed specific club meetings to learn about Saint Bernards and issues concerning Saint Bernards?

24 – How did you learn of Who Dat Saints?

25 – Do you own or rent your home? If you rent, do you have permission of the landlord to have a Saint Bernard?

Please know that these questions are designed to help us better understand the environment in which you plan to raise your new puppy as well as to cause perspective puppy buyers to evaluate their personal situation before purchasing a puppy. **One last word of caution before you submit this application, Saint Bernards are BIG. Not just big but BIG. They are messy on a good day and totally slob during the summer. Short haired dogs tend to be easier to groom than long-haired dogs, but even they require regular brushing, bathing and general hygiene care. Saint Bernards shed and drool. If someone tries to tell you they don't ---- RUN you are obviously talking to either a liar or a fool. Saint Bernards have unfortunately short life spans and will break your heart when they pass. These are truly gentle giants and they need human companionship they same way a child does. They are not a possession to bring out and show off now and then, they are very dependant creatures that require care and affection every day. These dogs are gentle giants because we raise them to be. They are not guard dogs, they are lap dogs. They are not yard art, but family members. And last but not least, they are not and will never be a dog for the faint of heart. These are truly loving, gentle PIGS.** I can't imagine my life without my saints (messy thought they be) and I can't imagine one of my saints living anywhere that they are not going to be loved and cared for despite their clumsy, messy ways.

So, with all this said, if you are still interested please submit this questionnaire via email to whodat@shentel.net or via snail mail at: Who Dat Saints, 1186 Maurertown Mill Road, Maurertown, VA 22644. Please feel free to add questions that you would like addressed to this form as we encourage prospective Saint Owners to always question and learn.