

## WHY DOES A BREEDER ASK SO MANY QUESTIONS?

If you're looking for a companion, whether it's a puppy or an older dog, expect a good breeder to ask you a lot of questions. Asking questions is the best way to determine what particular animal will fit comfortably into your lifestyle. All breeds have different characteristics and needs - even dogs from the same litter will have a variety of personalities. A good breeder has knowledge of their dogs and will work to match you and a dog with similar needs together for many years of friendship.

Do some homework. Read up on the breed you're interested in and if you like what you learn contact a breeder with additional questions you may have. Make an appointment to visit the kennel to look at the dogs. **BE PATIENT!** A breeder who asks a lot of questions is someone who cares about their dogs, and if they care about the animals, chances are they've got healthy, well-adjusted dogs. Remember ... some time spent up front may save you, the breeder, and especially the animal, from an unhappy ending.

