



Code of Ethics of The Large Munsterlander Association (Proposed)

Members of the LMA (Proposed)

- Will properly house, feed, water and exercise all dogs under their care and arrange for appropriate veterinary attention, if and, when required.
- Will agree, without reservation, that any veterinary surgeon performing an operation on any of their dogs which alters the natural conformation of the animal, or who carries out a caesarean section on a bitch, may report such operation to the Royal Kennel Club.
- Will agree that no healthy puppy will be culled. Puppies which may not conform to the Breed Standard should be placed in suitable homes.
- Will abide by all aspects of the Animal Welfare Act. Will not create demand for, nor supply, puppies that have been docked illegally.
- Will agree not to breed from a dog, or bitch, which could, in any way, be harmful to the dog or to the breed.
- Will not allow any of their dogs to roam at large; or cause a nuisance to neighbours or those carrying out official duties.
- Will ensure that their dogs wear properly tagged collars and will be kept leashed or under effective control when away from home. This code does not apply when LMA (Proposed) members are working, training or exercising their dogs, or participating in gundog events, as permitted by The Control of Dogs Order 1992.
- Will clean up after their dogs in public places or anywhere their dogs are being exhibited.
- Will only sell dogs where there is a reasonable expectation of a happy and healthy life and will help with the re-homing of a dog if the initial circumstances change.



- Will supply written details of all dietary requirements and give guidance concerning responsible ownership when placing dogs in a new home.
- Will ensure that all relevant Royal Kennel Club documents are provided to the new owner when selling or transferring a dog, and will agree, in writing, to forward any relevant documents at the earliest opportunity, if not immediately available.
- Will not sell any dog to commercial dog wholesalers, retail pet dealers, nor directly or indirectly allow dogs to be given as a prize or donation in a competition of any kind.
- Will not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed, falsely advertise dogs nor mislead any person regarding the health or quality of a dog.
- Members will only breed from Large Munsterlanders of sound temperament, which show natural ability and will always strive to produce Large Munsterlanders conforming to the standard as published by the Royal Kennel Club.
- Members will not allow their stud dogs to service bitches aged less than two and a half years, or over eight years old. Neither dogs nor bitches in poor health, of unsound temperament, or with any serious hereditary faults will be used for breeding.
- Members will only breed from Large Munsterlanders which have been hip/elbow scored and eye tested through the UK BVA scheme or equivalent in the dog's country of origin.
- Members will test their Large Munsterlander for HUU, if not hereditarily clear, prior to breeding. Affected animals cannot be bred from and only clear to clear and clear to carrier can be mated.
- Members will not allow their bitches to whelp more than once in every 18 months. The Royal Kennel Club states that a bitch must not have more than four litters during her lifetime.
- Members will not, when advertising, misrepresent themselves or their stock and will deal only in a fair and honest manner with clients who shall be



encouraged to present the dog to a veterinary surgeon within three days of purchase. Should a veterinary surgeon, at such an examination, advise that the dog is not suitable for the purpose for which it was bought, members will take back such a dog and refund the purchase price.

- Members will be encouraged to take advantage of any relevant official scheme devised to test the dog's soundness.
- Members will, when engaged in competitive events with their dogs, conduct themselves in such a way as not to bring discredit to the breed or Association, and will always demonstrate good sportsmanship.