

## DREVER Association of America

## Code of Ethics

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The Drever Association of America (DAA) requests that all members subscribe to the following Code of Ethics to promote and foster the highest standards among breeders, owners and fanciers, and to encourage sportsmanship and cooperation in the improvement and advancement of the Drever breed in America.

- 1. When breeding Drevers, I will select the stud dog and brood bitch with an eye to conformation, temperament and working instinct and ability, with a careful study of the breed standard and the principles of genetics. A breeder and stud owner shall plan each breeding with the paramount intention of protecting the breed; and only when he or she is in a position to give proper care to both bitch and offspring
- 2. I will not breed more than four (4) litters of Drever puppies in any calendar year, not to exceed one (1) litter per bitch per year.
- 3. I will keep a five (5) generation pedigree on each litter of Drever puppies I breed.
- 4. I will sell a Drever only to a buyer whom I believe to be interested in the betterment of the breed.
- 5. I will not knowingly sell or provide a Drever to a pet shop for resale, to a broker or agent for sale, gift or prize.
- 6. I will furnish each Drever I sell with registration papers, unless a written agreement is made with the buyer that such papers will be withheld.
- 7. I will not release or ship a puppy less than eight (8) weeks of age.
- 8. I will furnish the buyer with complete instructions for the care of each Drever I sell/place. I will supply a record of inoculations and worming with a veterinarian's recommended schedule for continuation.
- 9. I will advise the buyer of each puppy to have a veterinarian's checkup within seven (7) days of the sale, to determine that the puppy is healthy. If the veterinarian determines that the puppy is not in good health, I will, upon the puppy's return, refund the purchase price or replace the puppy.
- 10. The breeder will assist the placement of the Drever, should a buyer no longer be able to keep the Drever the breeder has sold or previously placed.
- 11. I will try to mentor and instill in anyone who owns a Drever that they have a lifelong responsibility to the animals they bring into their homes as well as the animals they place in other homes.
- 12. I will try to show good sportsmanship at all times and in all matters relating to Drevers. I will maintain the highest degree of honesty and integrity. I will not knowingly make a misstatement of fact in any serious discussion or advertisement of my Drevers, or the Drevers of any other DAA member, that I might have with persons not qualified to judge the facts for themselves. I will also not knowingly make a misstatement of fact in any serious discussion about another DAA member that I might have with persons not qualified to judge the facts for themselves.

This Code of Ethics is intended as an expression of goals for breeders, exhibitors and fanciers. It is not to be construed as a rule or regulation to be enforced by punishment. Members are expected to police themselves in a civil and responsible manner.