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## Butler Dog Training Association Membership Application

I hereby make application for membership to the Butler Dog Training Association. I understand that if I am accepted, I must abide by all rules and regulations of the association and the American Kennel Club. I further understand that dues are payable the first day of June of each year.

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$10.00** Initiation fee required for each applicant (**\*this fee is to accompany each application along with your Regular or Junior Membership fee.**)

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$55.00** Regular Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$35.00** Junior Membership (10 years-17 years of age)

\_\_\_\_\_ **No Fee** Affiliate Membership (18 yrs. of age and over)

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years involved in dogs (training, breeding, showing, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Please state reasons for joining our association:

\_\_\_\_\_

List activities and other ways you have been involved with dogs:

\_\_\_\_\_

List ways you may possibly help the organization:

\_\_\_\_\_

List breeds of dog(s) that you now own (or own you): \_\_\_\_\_

List any titles you have personally achieved with your dogs (past and present) such as: obedience, rally, agility, tracking, hunting, freestyle, CGC, Therapy Dog titles earned through visiting, Barn Hunt, etc.

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List obedience classes you and your dog have completed \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*Complete this application and make check payable to BDTA. Please mail to BDTA's Secretary:**

**Kelly Roth    312 Main St.    Prospect, PA 16052    724-991-5061**

Date application was received \_\_\_\_\_ Date membership accepted \_\_\_\_\_

President's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

“No individual will be discriminated against because of his or her race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, handicap or disability.”

Applying for membership in the Butler Dog Training Association begins with Provisional status which lasts for eight months. When you mail in your application, it is read at the next Members’ meeting. You will be contacted to attend. For the following six months, we hope to get to know you and your dog(s). As a Provisional member, you may attend Friday Members’ classes and meetings. You may not vote, hold office, instruct classes, receive awards at the annual dinner, or reserve the building. At the end of the six months, your application will be read at the next two monthly Members’ meetings. It will then be voted on at the second of these two meetings. Upon approval, full membership privileges will begin. **We do ask that you read the Bylaws and sign the Code of Ethics below before applying for membership.**

#### *Code of Ethics*

*As a member of BDTA, I shall remember that, to all whom I come in contact with, my actions typify dog training and BDTA. At the training facility and at BDTA events, my actions will reflect the training ideals of BDTA.*

*I shall strive to better my understanding of training and improve my skills as a handler, keeping the best interests of the dog and BDTA in mind.*

*I understand that no member of BDTA may conduct any form of dog training class currently being offered by BDTA, private training, counseling, behavior modification, etc., independent of BDTA as outlined in the Bylaws.*

*I have read and understood the BDTA Bylaws. I shall agree to abide by the BDTA Bylaws.*

Applicant’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

BDTA Sponsor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Requirements for Provisional membership:**

1. You must attend the meeting when your application is first read. The Secretary will notify you by e-mail (or phone) of the date when your membership application will be read. If you are unable to attend on that date, the reading of your application will be held (for one additional month only) until the following month’s meeting.
2. The new applicant must attend a minimum of five Friday Members’ Classes during his/her Provisional status.
3. The new applicant must also attend at least three additional Members’ meetings during his/her Provisional status.
4. Provisional members may only use BDTA’s training building for private time when accompanied by a full-time member and pay the non-member fee of \$15 each time.

“In the event the applicant is not able to fulfill the stated requirements during the provisional member status, the application for membership will be held an additional thirty days. The secretary shall notify the applicant of the extension. At the end of the extension, should the applicant not meet the requirements, the application shall be considered rejected with no additional consideration for membership provided.”