

BARRIE KENNEL & OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.

(Incorporated under the Ontario Corporations Act, 1970)

Be it enacted that these are the By-laws of the Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc. hereinafter called "the Club".

Article I - The Club

1. Name

The name of the Club shall be "Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc."

2. Head and Recording Office

The head office of the Club shall be in the City of Barrie in the Province of Ontario.

3. Ownership

The Club is a corporation without share capital. Profits or other accretions of the Club shall be used in promoting its objectives.

Article II - Interpretations

1 . Interpretations

a) In these By-laws unless the context otherwise requires:

i. "the Club" means the Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc. ii.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc.

iii. "Member" means any person who has complied with all the requirements of these By-laws

iv. "Purebred dog" means a dog registered in or is eligible for registration in the records of the Canadian Kennel Club, the American Kennel Club or FCI

v. "these By-laws" means the By-laws of the Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc.

vi. "Official" means a paid employee of the Club

Article III - Objectives

The Club shall have for its objectives:

- a) The encouragement and development of Purebred dogs by collecting, preserving and publishing data, information and documents relating to Purebred dogs;
- b) encouraging the breeding of registered Purebred dogs which are good specimens of their breeds;
- c) promoting the interests of the owners of Purebred dogs;
- d) holding All - Breed Championship Shows, Obedience Trials and any other events relating to the promotion of Purebred dogs in accordance with the regulations and standards laid down by the Canadian Kennel Club;
- e) co-operating with the Canadian Kennel Club;
- f) co-operating with and assisting any other association or club having objectives in whole or in part similar to those of the Club;
- g) promoting responsible dog ownership within the community.
- h) The donation of a portion of each year's profits to worthy charities or dog related organizations.

Article IV - Members

1. Definition

The membership of the Club shall consist of those persons who may be admitted as members under one of the following five classes:

- a) Ordinary Member - An Ordinary Member is a person who has attended at least six General Meetings and/or Show Committee Meetings of the Club, in a calendar year and has paid the prescribed dues. If General Meeting and Show Meeting are held in conjunction it only counts 1 attendance. An ordinary member shall be granted voting privileges as outlined in these By-laws and is entitled to all privileges of the Club;
- b) Associate Member - An Associate Member is a person who has been accepted for membership by the Club and has paid the prescribed dues. An Associate Member shall not have voting privileges and may not stand for election as an officer or director. The Associate Members are entitled to all other privileges of the Club as outlined

in these By-laws.

- c) Life Member - A Life Member is a person who is elected at the Annual General Meeting by the Club for meritorious or has served as a Club Member in good standing for 25 years. The Member is not liable for annual dues and may vote on all matters as outlined in these By-laws. A Life Member is entitled to all privileges of the Club as outlined in these By-laws.
- d) Honorary Member - an honorary member is a person who is prestigious to the Club. Honorary Members may be elected each year at the Annual General Meeting for a period of one (1) year. No more than two Honorary Members shall be elected in any one year. Honorary members shall not be liable for annual dues nor eligible to vote on any matters or hold office, but are entitled to all other privileges of the Club.
- e) Junior Member - A Junior Member is a person who has been accepted for membership by the Club, has paid the prescribed dues, and is under the age of 18 years at date of joining the Club. They shall not have voting privileges and may not stand for election as an officer or director. The Junior Member is entitled to all other privileges of the Club as outlined in these By-laws. A Junior Member in good standing shall automatically become an Associate Member on the first of the month following the month in which the member attains the age of eighteen (18).

2. Eligibility for Application

- a) Any person desiring to become an Associate Member shall attend one General Meeting as a guest of the Club, either in person or virtually.
- b) Nominees for Life Membership shall be submitted in writing to the Club, before the Annual General Meeting. Two Ordinary Members in good standing shall sponsor each nominee.
- c) Nominees for Honorary Membership shall be submitted in writing to the Club before the Annual General Meeting.
- d) No person shall be eligible for membership who:
 - i. is under suspension or expulsion by the Canadian Kennel Club, The Kennel Club, The American Kennel Club or any other recognized

Kennel Club,

- ii. is engaged in the breeding of non Purebred dogs or breeds that are not recognized by the CKC, AKC, or FCI,
- iii. is indebted to any Kennel Club,
- iv. is guilty of any conduct which is detrimental to the best interests of the Club.

3. Admission of Members

- a) Prospective members shall make an application in writing to the Club.
- b) Prospective members shall attend one General Meeting as a guest.
- c) Any member having an objection to said applicant shall advise the Membership chair. The Membership chair shall present the objections at the time of Application review.
- d) At the subsequent General Meeting, during Application review, which the prospective member shall be excused for the duration of the voting, the application shall be decided upon by a majority vote of the Members present.
- e) The Membership Chair shall notify the applicant of the decision in writing, or in person if they are attending the meeting, which will include an invitation to the next General Meeting or inform them that their application has been rejected. If the application has been accepted the new member must pay their dues within 14 day of notification of acceptance

Note: All discussions and reasons for or against acceptance will remain confidential within the membership and shall not be revealed to the applicant.

4. Membership Year

The membership year of the Club shall be from November first to October thirty-first. The Secretary will notify, in writing, any member of the Club who has not paid their dues by November thirtieth in any year. If such a default shall continue beyond January thirty-first such member shall cease to be a member of the Club. The Membership Chair shall provide the Secretary with the membership renewal information by November thirtieth to aid in distribution to the Club Members

5. Dues

- a) The annual membership dues for both Ordinary, Associate Members and Junior members shall be left to the discretion of the Board to be fixed annually, not later than October thirty-first;
- b) The fee must be paid within 14 days of Application acceptance notification for new membership;
- c) No membership privileges may be accorded until the required dues have been paid and/or the applicant elected to membership;
- d) Any person who may have ceased to be a member of the Club by reason of non payment of dues may be reinstated without being voted upon, any time during the year in which they ceased to be a member, by paying their dues;
- e) When membership remains un-renewed for a period of one year; reapplication for membership is necessary;
- f) Any new member joining the Club following the Annual Championship Dog Show shall be considered a member in good standing for the following year.

6. Privileges

The privileges of the Club as they apply to all members shall mean:

- a) The use of the services of the recording offices as they concern the records of the Club;
- b) The use of services rendered by the publications of the Club;
- c) All those privileges accorded Ordinary & Lifetime Members of the Club as set forth in these By-laws, and privileges extended to members of the Board.

7. Obligations

- a) All members shall familiarize themselves with the By-laws and Code of Ethics of the Club. No member shall be absolved from the effect of these By-laws and Code of Ethics on the grounds of ignorance of their content or meaning;

- b) Members are responsible for advising the Club, in writing, of their address or change in address;
- c) Members shall cooperate with the Club in enforcing the Club's Bylaws and Code of Ethics;
- d) Ordinary Members must attend a minimum of five meetings a year to maintain voting and other privileges;

8. Discipline

- a) Membership shall cease upon failing to meet any qualification prescribed by these Bylaws;
- b) The Board shall have the power by a vote of two thirds of those present to suspend or expel any member who:
 - (i) is guilty of any misconduct in the welfare of animals
 - (ii) is guilty of any conduct which is detrimental to the best interest of the Club.
- c) Any member, whose conduct is in question under subsection (ii) above, shall be given three clear days' notice, in writing, of the charges preferred against Them. They shall be notified of the date and place of the meeting of the Board when said charges will be considered. They shall have the opportunity of attending the meeting of the Board to explain or defend their conduct. They shall also have the right to appeal before the general membership at the next meeting.
- d) Any member who is in contravention of the Code of Ethics, has been suspended by the CKC or has been found guilty of an offence by any humane society will have their membership revoked.

9. Resignation

- a) Any person, who wishes to resign, must give notice to the Membership chair.
- b) Any member who ceases to belong to the Club, whether by resignation or otherwise, shall have no claim upon, or be entitled to participate in, any of the effects or property belonging to the Club, nor have any part of their membership dues for the current year returned to Them.
- c) A member who has resigned may be readmitted to membership only

by following the provisions as outlined in Article IV, Section 2.

10. Limited Liability

The financial liability of a member of the Club to creditors of the Club is limited to the amount due from Them in respect of membership dues.

Article V – Meetings

1. Annual General Meeting

- a) The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held on the date of the regular November meeting. This date can be changed due to unforeseen circumstances.
- b) The date, time and place shall be decided by the Board and written notice of such date, place and time shall be sent to each member in good standing by the Secretary at least seven clear days in advance thereof.
- c) The non-receipt of such notice by any member shall not invalidate the proceedings of any meeting.
- d) The Annual General Meeting may be attended in person or virtually. Virtual Votes are cast through the chat function

2. Monthly General Meeting

- a) General monthly meetings of the Club shall be held each month at a place and time chosen by the Club;
- b) The monthly General Meeting following the annual Championship Show will be for the primary purpose of receiving a Show Financial Report and dealing with any other business arising from the Show;
- c) At all Monthly General Meetings a majority of members present shall prevail.
- d) Monthly General Meetings may be attended in person or virtually

3. Special General Meeting

- a) The Board may at its discretion, by written notice specifying the objectives as well as the place and time for the meeting, call a Special General Meeting of the Club;
- b) Special General Meetings may be called by: the President or three members of the Board or by petition of 25% of the members in good standing.
- c) Written notice specifying the objectives of the meeting as well as the place and time appointed for the meeting, shall be sent to all members seven clear days before the meeting convenes. The highest ranking member of the group who has called the meeting shall give the written notice.
- d) The non-receipt of such notice by any member shall not invalidate the proceedings of such meetings.
- e) At such meetings no business shall be transacted other than that which was specified in the notice calling the meeting.
- f) Special General Meetings may be attended in person or virtually.

4. Board Meeting

- a) The Board shall meet once a month for the purpose of conducting the Club's business affairs and to set an agenda for the next general meeting;
- b) The Board meeting may be attended in person or virtually.
- c) Three members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any Board meeting;
- d) The Chair of the meeting of the Board shall have the right to vote on any motion presented at such meeting and in the event of a tie vote on a motion, said motion shall be deemed to be lost for want of a majority. This shall also apply to the voting on any amendments to a motion;
- e) In the case of an interim appointment of an Officer, the Chairman shall be entitled in the case of a tie, to have a second and deciding vote.

5. Voting

- a) At all General Meetings, unless otherwise herein provided, a majority vote shall prevail provided quorum is met.
- b) Votes may be cast by members attending a meeting virtually, as well as physically.
- c) The Chair of any General Meeting shall not vote except in the case of a tie, in which case they shall have the deciding vote.

6. Quorum

A quorum at any General Meeting shall be 25% of the members in good standing who are entitled to vote whether physically or attending virtually.

7. Order of Business

The order of business at all general and Board meetings shall be as follows:

- i. Education;
- ii. Reading the minutes of the previous meeting;
- iii. Report of the Secretary;
- iv. Reading of correspondence;
- v. Report of Treasurer;
- vi. Report of committees;
- vii. Old business;
- viii. If Annual General Meeting, election of Officers, Directors, and appointment of representatives;
- ix. New business;
- x. Adjournment.

8. Minutes

The Secretary shall send a copy of all minutes of General and Special meetings to each Member prior to the next monthly General meeting.

9. Methods of attending a meeting

- a) Any meeting may be attended in person at the chosen date, time and location OR by acceptable virtual means such as Zoom.
- b) A meeting attended virtually will be considered a regularly attended meeting for the purposes of tracking member attendance.
- c) Any matter requiring a vote may be voted on either in person or virtually. A virtual vote counts the same as a physical vote.
- d) Rules of quorum remain the same. Both physically present members and members attending virtually will be counted.

Article VI - Directors and Committee Chairs

1. Directors of the Club

The Directors of the Club shall be Ordinary Members. Directors shall consist of the following:

- i. President;
- ii. Vice President;
- iii. Secretary;
- iv. Treasurer;
- v. Show Chair

Committee Chairs

The Committee Chairs of the Club shall be Ordinary members. Committee Chairs shall consist of the following:

- a) Education Chair,
- b) Trophy Chair;
- c) Social Media Chair
- d) Social Chair;
- e) Membership Chair;
- f) Performance Chair

All of whom shall be elected by ballot annually by a majority of votes cast at the Annual General Meeting.

2. Board of Directors

- a) There shall be five Directors. The Board of Directors shall be vested with all powers as described herein, and shall be Directors within the meaning of the Ontario Corporations Act;
- b) Each Board Member must reside within 20 km of Simcoe County borders.
- c) The Board shall manage all business affairs of the Club. The Board is given the authority to act on matters not specifically defined in these by-laws;
- d) A meeting of the Board may be called any time by the President, or in their absence, the Vice President, or in both their absences, by any two Directors;
- e) Members of the Board shall receive notice of all Board meetings;
- f) Meetings may be held at any time without notice if all members of the Board are present and consent thereto, or if absent, signifies their consent.
- g) A scheduled meeting is to be started as soon as a quorum is present, by the highest-ranking member present.
- h) Board business may be conducted in person or virtually.

3. Authority of Directors

- (a) The Board of Directors are entrusted with the government and management of the Club and its affairs, finances and property and shall have the authority:
 - i. to appoint such Officials and Committees as it may deem advisable and to prescribe their duties. The actions of such Officials and Committees shall be at all times subject to the Board's supervision and control;
 - ii. to appoint an Interim Officer if a vacancy occurs in any office, until such time as it can be ratified by the Club at the next General Meeting;
 - iii. to dismiss any Official or Member of the Club;
 - iv. to make rules and regulations for the proper management and

control of the Club's affairs and to authorize that such rules and regulations be made by any committee, and to enforce due observation of the By-laws and of such rules and regulations;

v. to make and execute contracts on behalf of and in the name of the Club, or to authorize its officers or committees to do so.

(b) The Board shall cause all monies of the Club to be deposited in the Club's bank account and in the amount received by the Club. The bank of the Club shall be the bank from time to time designated by the Board. Securities shall be in a safety deposit box of the designated bank. No contracts shall be entered into and no liability or obligation incurred on behalf of the Club by any person, or committee except such as may be made, incurred, authorized or confirmed by the Board. No payment of any account or obligation by or on behalf of the Club shall be made except on the authority of the Board. The Treasurer, President, Secretary, and Bookkeeper shall be named as signing authorities on behalf of the Club. All bills of exchange, promissory notes, and orders for payment shall require two authorized signatures.

Article VII - Duties of the Officers and Directors

1. President

a) The President shall preside at all General Meetings of the Club and be Chief Executive Officer, exercising general supervision over the interest and welfare of the Club.

b) The President must have been a Member for a minimum of 3 years and served on a minimum of one of the Club Committees

c) They shall vote only on the occasion of a tie vote at any general meeting.

d) The President may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

2. Vice President

a) The Vice President shall act in the absence of the President and shall assist them in the discharge of their duties.

b) The Vice President may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

3. Secretary

a) Shall attend and keep a record of all General Meetings and those of committees when requested to do so;

b) Shall have custody of all general documents and records of the Club for the current year and past years;

c) Shall provide members with copies of the minutes and an agenda of meetings;

d) Shall maintain a record of attendance of members at general meetings for the purpose of assembling a voters list for the annual general meeting;

e) Shall conduct all correspondence as is directed to their office.

f) The Secretary may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

g) Secretary will maintain a list of all Club Emails, Logins, Passwords to ensure overlap when roles are changed. Secretary will not use logins that are not relevant to their positions as detailed above unless under emergency deemed by the Board of Directors

h) Secretary will keep all current and past documents in a secure location physically or digitally

i) Secretary is responsible for checking the General Email box for inquiries and correspondence and distributing them to the appropriate contact within the Club.

4. Treasurer

a) Shall receive all fees, dues, subscriptions and monies due to the Club and deposit them to the credit of the Club's bank account;

b) Shall pay all accounts payable for the Club with approval of the Board;

c) Shall keep in the books of the Club, regular accounts of transactions, finances, assets and liabilities of the Club, subject to examination by the Board and the auditor, and be responsible for all books, documents and securities of the Club;

d) Shall submit a statement of revenue and expenses of the year at the Annual General Meeting, and submit a tentative budget for the ensuing year;

e) The Treasurer may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

5. Show Chair

a) Shall serve in a supervisory capacity at Show Committee meetings and act as a liaison between the Show Committee and the Board.

b) The Show Chair may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

6. Performance Chair

a) Shall serve in a supervisory capacity at Performance Committee meetings and act as a liaison between the Performance Committee and the Board.

b) The Performance Committee Chair may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

7. Education Chair

a) To arrange all the educational activities for the Club;

b) To endeavor to have a form of education presented several times a year.

c) Shall have the power to appoint assistants and with their help arrange Club educational activities;

d) The Education Chair may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

8. Trophy Chair

a) To obtain solicit sponsorships for all Shows;

b) To keep an accurate list of all trophies & sponsorships received and provide written documentation to the Show Chair who will send it to the Show Secretary for posting in the premium list;

- e) Be responsible for all written “thank you” notes to all trophy and sponsorship donors.
- f) Shall have the power to appoint assistants and be responsible for obtaining and disbursing trophies at all shows held by the Club.
- g) The Trophy Chair may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

9. Social Media Chair

- a) Shall have the power to appoint assistants and supervise the arrangements of all liaisons between the Club and the general public.
- b) Shall produce information flyers for distribution, monitor the Club Facebook page for communications, post information to the Facebook page to update the public on upcoming events, and also provide updates to the Webmaster for the website.
- c) The Social Media Chair may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.

10. Social Chair

- a) To arrange all social functions for the Club
- b) To arrange all special activities in conjunction with the Show as requested;
- c) To send flowers or other suitable tributes to members as the occasion warrants.
- d) Shall have the power to appoint assistants and supervise the arrangements of all social functions pertaining to the Club.
- e) The Social Chair may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually

11. Membership Chair

- a) Shall be the contact person for prospective members
- b) Shall issue each prospective member a membership application as well as a copy of the Club's Bylaws and Code of Ethics for the current year;

- c) Shall inform applicants as to whether or not their application has been successful.
- d) Shall accept all resignations
- e) The Membership Chair may attend meetings and conduct business in person or virtually.
- f) Shall provide the Secretary with all New Member Applications, or Resignations so that the Secretary can update and distribute a current Member List to all club members

Article VIII - Elections

- a) Elections - To be held at Annual General Meeting
- b) The elected Officers and Directors shall take office following the Annual General Meeting. Each of the former Board members shall turn over to their successor in office, all properties and records relating to that office at the end of the Annual General Meeting of the new term.
- c) Members of the Board shall be elected for a two-year term of office, immediately following the Annual General Meeting.
- d) The election of Vice-President, Treasurer and Performance Chair shall be held in the alternate year as that of the President and Secretary. Vice President, Treasurer and Show Chair will be elected on even years and President, Secretary and Performance Chair will be elected on odd years.
- e) The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will be members in good standing of the Canadian Kennel Club;
- f) A pre-election committee shall contact all members of the Club prior to the Annual General Meeting and prepare a list of willing candidates for office in the coming year;
- g) This list shall be sent to all members of the Club at least seven clear days prior to the Annual General Meeting. Members may, however, indicate their willingness to stand for office at any point up to the commencement of elections;
- h) No person shall be nominated for any elective office position or committee unless their consent thereto has first been obtained. If the candidate is not present at the time of election, a written consent of their willingness and office desired is to be sent to the pre-election committee

or the Secretary;

i) Every Ordinary Member in good standing shall be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting if they have attended at least five monthly Club Meetings where attendance and minutes are taken in the last twelve months;

j) Every Life Member in good standing shall be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and to hold office if they have attended at least five monthly General Meetings in the last twelve months;

k) If an eligible voting member is unable to attend the Annual General Meeting, they may submit their vote in writing to the Secretary prior to the election, or give written permission to the Secretary for someone to vote in their stead, provided their representative is a member of the Club;

l) The Directors and Committee Chairs elected shall take office immediately following their election.

m) Members may cast their vote at the Annual General Meeting in person or virtually and have it counted.

Article IX - Committees and Responsibilities

1. Committees

The following will be a permanent committee of the Club:

Show Committee

A quorum for a Show Committee meeting shall be four ordinary members and shall have the following responsibilities:

- i. To arrange at least one All-Breed Championship Dog Show, an Obedience Trial, an Agility Trial and a Rally Obedience Trial during each Calendar year;
- ii. To submit a Show Budget to the Board
- iii. The Show Committee may meet in person or virtually.

Article X - Club Auditor and Duties

1. Club Auditor

Two Club Auditors shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and hold office till the next Annual General Meeting. They shall examine and audit all books, vouchers and accounts of the Club at least once every year and at any other time as requested by the Board. They shall report to the Club at the first General Meeting of the fiscal year. Should no one in the Club be qualified for this job, an external audit will be sought; members with signing authority may not hold this office.

The Club Auditor may also be an impartial body hired by the club in reference to a Bookkeeper or Accountant.

Article XI - Honorariums

1. Honorariums

The Club may pay to any member of the Club an honorarium as may be directed by the Board. Such honorariums will be reviewed by the Board at the November Board Meeting and will be ratified by a vote of the general membership.

Article XII - Amendments

The By-laws may be altered or amended by extraordinary resolution, by any member at either the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose by the Board after being presented for at a monthly meeting. Such resolution shall require a 75% majority vote of the voting members in attendance. Voting may be done in person or virtually.

Article XIII - Standing Rules

- a) Standing rules shall contain operational procedures, policies, and practices of the Club, not otherwise specified in the Club's By-laws. In no case shall a Standing Rule conflict with the Club's By-laws;
- b) Any member in good standing may propose Standing Rules at any general meeting;
- c) Standing Rules proposed, amended or rescinded at a General Meeting of the Club must be sent to the full membership. A majority affirmative vote shall incorporate proposed Standing Rules or policy at the next general meeting. Voting may be done in person or virtually.

Article XIV - Dissolution of the Club

The Club may be dissolved only at the Annual General Meeting of the Club by the consent, in writing, of 75% of the Ordinary Members in good standing. After payment of all debts and liabilities of the Club, all remaining assets of the Club shall be held in escrow by the Canadian Kennel Club for a period of not longer than five years. The Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc. may be reactivated at any time within the five years at the discretion of the Canadian Kennel Club. After five years, all assets held in escrow by the Canadian Kennel Club shall become the property of the Canadian Kennel Club.

Article XV - Online Moderators & Administrators

The Facebook Administrator(s) are the current President & Vice President

The Facebook Administrator(s) has full Control of the Facebook Page and may give posting access to other members approved by the Board.

The Facebook Moderator(s) are people(s) appointed by the Board and have the ability to post content on the Club Facebook page.

The Facebook Moderator(s) may be, but not exclusive to; the Show Chair, Membership Chair, Social Media Officer, Social Chair, or Individual Responsible for Hiring our Annual Show Judges

The Google IO Moderator(s)/Administrator(s) are the current Secretary, and Membership Chair

The Club Website maintenance and updates are the sole responsibility of the Social Media Officer. Any changes to the website must be approved by the Board who will forward them to the Social Media Officer

The passwords for all Club platforms will be changed annually after the Annual General Meeting or when the key roles above are changed.

Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc. Code of Ethics

Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc. sets forth below, as a guideline for Breeders/Owners/Exhibitors of Purebred dogs, standards of conduct to be followed by its members. This Code of Ethics has been adopted to promote these high standards and to encourage sportsmanship and cooperation in the continual improvement and advancement of all Purebred dogs. All members in good standing with the Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club, Inc. will subscribe to and uphold this Code.

Members should:

Section A - General:

- a) Ensure that their dogs are not a nuisance to their neighbors or their community in general and that they are properly controlled, inoculated, licensed and supervised at all times in accordance with municipal by-laws.
- b) Provide appropriate housing, food and health care.
- c) Exhibit good sportsmanship, integrity and honesty when taking part in any activity.
- d) Undertake the task of educating and encouraging all newcomers to the world of Purebred dogs no matter what their field of interest.
- e) Conduct oneself in all matters of Purebred dogs in a respectable manner and not participate in any acts that may bring the name of the Club or its members into disrepute.

Section B - Breeding

- a) Of utmost importance, a Breeder should plan each breeding with the intention of preserving the breed and not solely as a commercial venture.
- b) Before considering breeding, a thorough understanding of the standard of their breed is necessary and of the genetic faults and health problems that may exist.
- c) A Breeder should use for breeding purposes only those individuals free from defects common to their breed, free of disqualifying faults and those animals that are physically and mentally sound.

- d) The Owner of the stud dog is just as responsible for any breeding as the owner of the female and should refuse any breeding if it is not in the best interest of the breed.
- e) The stud dog and brood bitch must be in good physical condition at the time of breeding.
- f) Adhere to the minimum breeding requirements as set out for your breed.
- g) Resulting offspring from any breeding shall be appropriately housed in clean, sanitary conditions to ensure their health and welfare.
- h) All Breeders and Owners of stud dogs or brood bitches shall keep accurate records in accordance with CKC rules.

Section C - Sales

- a) No member shall sell puppies to pet shops, commercial dealers or supply puppies for raffles, give-aways or other such projects.
- b) Each puppy will be identified by tattoo or microchip prior to leaving the Breeder and in accordance with CKC rules.
- c) The Breeder should screen all prospective puppy buyers with a view to suitability of the breed and their ability to provide a loving, caring, safe environment.
- d) Provide the new puppy owners with complete health records, written care and feeding instructions and other recommendations pertaining to their breed plus a written health guarantee. Copies of all clearance certificates relating to the sire and dam of the puppies are also appropriate.
- e) Puppies should not be released from the Breeder until they are at least 8 weeks old or older if they are to be shipped.
- f) All applicable transfers or registration papers will be handled in accordance with CKC rules, governed by the Livestock and Pedigree Act.
- g) All puppy sales should be conducted with utmost honesty and integrity with a view in mind of placing puppies in the best homes possible, recommending spay/neuter contracts for pet placements and basic obedience training.
- h) Breeders will not knowingly sell or place adult dogs that have a

debilitating disorder or whose temperament is considered dangerous to people in any environment.

Section D – Discipline

Any member, who is in contravention of the above Code of Ethics, has been suspended by the CKC or has been found guilty of an offense by any humane society, shall have their membership revoked.