



Do you want to be an ABC Breeder Member?

Thank you for considering becoming a member of the American Bolognese Club and considering breeding this special breed.

What do I need to do?

1. The Club has a breeder membership application for those who are or wish to become Bolognese breeders. When filling out this application, please fill it out completely and be as specific as possible. Information you might include on the application:

- If you are new to the idea of breeding Bolognese, what steps have you taken thus far to prepare your program? When do you plan to breed? Do you have a mentor? Who is your mentor? Have you bred dogs before? You may include this information in the "What are your breeding plans?" section on the application.
- If you've already been breeding Bolognese, tell us about your program. How long have you been breeding? Did you have a mentor? Who was your mentor? Give us specific information about your program that you have in place.

2. The American Bolognese Club also requires any breeders of Bolognese that wish to become members of the Club to sign a Breeder Code of Ethics. We ask that every breeder who joins the ABC to be dedicated to the preservation, promotion and future protection of the integrity of this exquisite Rare Breed.

How do I send a payment for my membership?

When making the payment, please make the check payable to "American Bolognese Club". Once your membership is approved, we will deposit your check. (The Membership Director will hold your check until that time.) We will be in contact with you as soon as the Board of Directors meets to look over your information and vote on your membership.

How do I send the documents/check to the ABC?

Chose one of two ways:

1. You may mail the application, Breeder Code of Ethics, and payment by United States Postal Service. Mail to the address on the left.
- 2 You may scan and email the documents. We do not accept electronic signatures; therefore, the document should be printed then scanned before emailing. Email to the address on the left.

After Membership Approval:

After your membership is approved, we will submit your payment and send your official welcome email!

Membership Plans:

- 1 YEAR: \$20.00
- 2 YEARS: \$35.00
- 3 YEARS: \$50.00




REACH US AT:

 388 Davis Road Petal MS 39465

 americanbologneseclub@gmail.com

 americanbologneseclub.com

 601-270-8111
Please leave a detailed message.

BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Breeder Application
2. Signed Copy of Breeder Code of Ethics
3. Membership Payment



AMERICAN BOLOGNESE CLUB

BREEDER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

U.S. Breeders Only-Choose a Membership Plan: **\$20.00 - 1 year** **\$35.00 - 2 years** **\$50.00 – 3 years**
Renewals due in January

BREEDER INFORMATION

Name:		
Street Address:		City, State, Zip Code:
Preferred Contact Number:	E-mail Address:	Website or Facebook Page:

Please choose the e-mail you want to use for all Club notifications/communication.

ABC Member Code of Ethics

- Always keep your communications with others regarding ABC members and the Board of Directors positive, professional, and respectful.
- The procedure for a valid complaint is to submit the same to the Club Officers or the Board of Directors.

MEMBERS WHO KNOWINGLY VIOLATE THE CLUB'S CODE OF ETHICS WILL BE SUBJECT TO MEMBERSHIP SUSPENSION AND THE POSSIBLE LOSS OF REGISTRATION PRIVILEGES.

I have read the foregoing American Bolognese Club Code of Ethics, understand the terms and conditions and agree to the same.

Do you agree to abide by the American Bolognese Club Constitution, By-laws, and the Code of Ethics? YES NO

Do you plan to show in the U.S.? YES NO

BREEDING PROGRAM INFORMATION

Kennel Name:	Tell us about your breeding program and goals:
What are your breeding plans?	
Do you currently register litters? YES NO	Do you plan to register litters and dogs with the ABC?
With whom do you register?	YES NO
Do you do health testing for eyes: Eyes CAER (Companion Animal Eye Registry): YES NO	Do you do health testing for: Knees (patella):
PRA/prcd YES NO	YES NO

TELL US ABOUT THE BOLOGNESE RESIDING IN THE HOUSEHOLD. BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR BREEDING STOCK.

Dog Name:	Registration #:	Male	Sire:
		Female	Dam:
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		Female	Dam:

By signing below, I certify that this information above is correct and agree to email notifications, such as Club notices and newsletters. I/We agree to notify the American Bolognese Club of a change in all contact information. I may cancel emails by contacting the club secretary at americanbologneseclub@gmail.com. I have read, agree and have signed the ABC Breeder Code of Ethics. A signed copy of the Breeder Code of Ethics is included with this application.

Signature of Owner/Applicant:	Date:	Signature of Co-Owner:	Date:
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Sponsors: Please list the names of **2 sponsors that are current ABC members in good standing.** This may be your breeder, if a current ABC member, or someone on the ABC Board of Directors, etc.) *Please print name of proposed sponsor.*

Active Sponsor Member 1:	Active Sponsor Member 2:
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If you do not have an ABC sponsor, please print two references, titles, and their phone numbers. This may be your vet, trainer, etc.

Name:	How do you know this person?	Contact Number:
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A majority vote by the Board of Directors is required for membership approval. All new members will then be sent a packet with club information from the Welcoming Committee. Denied applicants will be refunded their payment.

**Print and mail your application and signed copy of Breeder Code of Ethics to: Terri McDonald,
388 Davis Road, Petal MS 39465**

OR

**Print and scan your application/signed copy of Breeder Code of Ethics, then email to:
americanbologneseclub@gmail.com**

Note: Electronic signatures are not accepted by the American Bolognese Club.

Thank you for allowing us to get to know you!



BREEDERS CODE OF ETHICS

I FEEL THAT THE WELFARE OF THE BREED IN GENERAL AND MY BOLOGNESE, IN PARTICULAR, COMES BEFORE ANY OTHER CONSIDERATION TO DO WITH MY INTEREST IN THE BOLOGNESE BECAUSE I BELIEVE IN THIS PRINCIPLE: I, AS A BREEDER MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN BOLOGNESE CLUB (ABC), AGREE TO THIS CODE OF ETHICS PARTICULARIZED BELOW.

BREEDING

The term “Breeder,” for purposes of this document, is defined as an ABC member who has a Breeder application on file and produces one or more litters of puppies. As the breeder, you are solely responsible for everything associated with the breeding and any resulting offspring.

(1) Conscientiously plan each litter. It is recommended that you carefully select stud dog and bitch to be mated based on pedigrees, the parents’ conformation (according to the ABC Breed Standard), soundness, and temperament. Breed only from pure stock that is physically and mentally sound. Breed carefully, always to improve the breed. Use all available means to determine that the stock retained or sold for breeding is free of genetic disease or disqualifying faults. Never repeat a breeding that has produced a serious genetic defect in the offspring.

(2) Breed only healthy, mature bitches. It is recommended that bitches not be bred before the second heat. Stud dogs should not be bred before 12 months of age and the completion of all health tests listed below.

(3) A bitch should not be bred to more than one stud dog during a single heat period unless the breeder opts to intentionally breed to two qualified stud dogs; in which case a DNA test must be performed on each puppy in the litter to determine the sire. The owner of the bitch must provide the results of DNA testing to the ABC before any offspring can be registered. Each puppy must be microchipped prior to DNA parentage testing.

ABC HEALTH TESTING STANDARDS

(1) Test sire and dam annually by an OFA Board Certified Veterinary Ophthalmologist. The results from the CAER screening should be used in order to decide future breedings to ensure the best genetics possible for a litter.

(2) Perform PRA-prcd DNA testing before breeding in order to breed in a responsible manner as to be moving towards a “clear” status and eliminating the possibility of producing “affected” puppies.

(3) Sire and dam have a passing patella score using the OFA evaluation standard form beginning at age one (1) through three (3) years of age.

(4) Test stud and bitch for Canine Brucellosis prior to breeding any male or female not resident in your kennel or has been sent to be bred outside your kennel.

STUD SERVICES

For purposes of this section, the term “stud services” refers to the use of your stud dog to outside bitches (i.e., bitches that you do not own).

(1) As the owner of the stud dog, you are responsible for everything associated with your stud dog. When breeding to outside bitches, you are not considered the breeder, and you are therefore not responsible for planning the litter, or for the resulting offspring. However, you do have a responsibility to the breed to help ensure that the prospective litter will meet ABC health and conformation standards.

(2) Prior to planning the breeding, full disclosure of any genetic defects produced by sire or dam, as well as any known genetic issues in the pedigrees, should be disclosed between owners.

- (3) All stud dogs must be registered in the ABC registry.
- (4) A stud service contract, outlining the conditions and guarantees of the stud service, is strongly recommended.
- (5) Breed stud dogs only to those adult bitches who are ABC registered, or are registered with an approved foreign registry, such as the FCI, and meet ABC Breed Standards.

HEALTH & GENERAL CARE

- (1) Maintain all Bolognese in clean and sanitary conditions.
- (2) Provide maximum health protection for all dogs.
- (3) Maintain mental health and well-being through human contact and exercise on a regular basis.

SALES

- (1) The breeder must accurately represent the qualities of their Bolognese to the purchaser. Intelligently and honestly classify stock as show/breed prospects or companion prospects; If in doubt, seek help from a veterinarian or qualified breeder to classify the litter.
- (2) Litter registrations (Form 1) must be provided to the ABC Registrar within the first 3 weeks following birth on all litters.
- (3) The paperwork required for ABC individual dog registration (Form 2) must be provided with all puppies at the time of possession of Bolognese, unless a sales contract stating otherwise, is provided. Each registration paper must be marked Full or Limited registration and signed by the breeder.
- (4) Never falsify a pedigree.
- (5) Buyers must be provided with written health and general care information at the time of the sale, including but not limited to a veterinarian health exam and a record of worming and vaccinations.
- (6) It is strongly recommended that a clear and concisely written contract, signed and dated, be used to document the sale or transfer of ownership of all Bolognese prior to, or at, the exchange of the dog.
- (7) Breeders will avoid false and misleading advertising. Breeders will not sell or consign puppies or

adults to pet shops, brokers, or puppy mills, nor supply Bolognese for raffles, prizes, or similar projects. Furthermore, ABC puppies shall not be sold at trial or show sites.

- (8) Puppies must be at least eight (8) weeks old prior to leaving the breeder's possession. No exceptions.
- (9) Be aware, adhere to ABC's policy on co-ownership, and be sure both parties sign a contract of co-ownership. A co-ownership agreement must be on file with the ABC registry office. If a Bolognese is co-owned it must be registered to both owners, and either owner may sign the pedigree form or stud certificate. Co-ownership agreements must reflect a single kennel name to be used on any resulting litter. If changes are made to this agreement, a new co-ownership agreement must be filed with the ABC office prior to breeding.

SHOWING

- (1) Never exhibit a Bolognese which has been changed in appearance by artificial means, except for the removal of dewclaws.
- (2) Show your Bolognese if, and whenever possible and encourage the showing of high-quality stock. Exhibit only the most credible show ring departments and accept the services of only those professional handlers whose behavior is exemplary.
- (3) Be willing always to help novice exhibitors and breeders. Always use kind and constructive feedback.

ATTITUDE TOWARD OTHER MEMBERS

Always keep your communications with other ABC members and prospective buyers positive and professional, particularly when referring to other breeders and members. Any information shared breeder to breeder must not be repeated to others without specific permission from both parties.

Any valid complaint by an ABC member toward an ABC breeder is to be submitted to the Club Officers or Board of Directors, as per the ABC Bylaws.

Members who knowingly violate the Club's Breeder Code of Ethics may be subject to membership suspension and the possible loss of registration privileges.

I have read the foregoing American Bolognese Club Breeder Code of Ethics and understand the terms and conditions. I will strive to use them in an attempt to always improve the Bolognese breed.

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____