

The following is a synopsis of the changes again presented to the Club and voted on at the last meeting. I am sending this synopsis just to make it easy for you to identify the few changes made and approved. There was only one proposed change that was not incorporated. The members decided they wanted to think on it more. The one item is officially considered "tabled" for further discussion. These voting-approved changes have been incorporated in the ASCoFWA Code of Ethics document, available on the website. Thanks All!

submitted by Linda Kager

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ASCOFWA CODE OF ETHICS

proposed by Linda Kager, 2010 to 2014

(You will see the approved changes below in a different font and italics, for ease in identification.)

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First sentence: Add

Effective January 1, 2011, all sires and dams must be DNA profiled with an ASCA-approved laboratory prior to the registration of their first litter. done

ARTICLE II – BREEDING

3. Insert "*Breed*" in second sentence done
4. a.: Add "*and elbows*" tabled for further discussion

The Club wants to think about this more: some say "too vague" and some say "not necessary." What do you think? (The parenthetical suggestion remains in the COE for now. Please see the Jan-Feb 2014 *Aussie Print* for an article on "elbow dysplasia".)

b.: Add "*by a board-certified ophthalmologist*" done

c.: Remove "*the above*" done

Add "*d. He shall become familiar with and stay current on Australian Shepherd Health Issues impacting the breed.*" done

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ARTICLE IV – SALES

5. Remove "*two*" and insert "*five*"
Remove "*[if known]*"

This item was reworked from:

IV.5. Upon the sale of a dog/puppy the breeder shall provide all buyers with a two or more generation pedigree (if known) including coat and eye color, and indication of NBT occurrence, diet and care information, health guarantee and inoculation record (including date and type of serum).

and became:

IV.5. Upon the sale of a dog/puppy, the breeder shall provide all buyers with a five or more generation pedigree including coat and eye color, an indication of NBT occurrence [if known]; diet and care information, health guarantee and inoculation record [including date and type of serum]. done

Footnotes: Appropriate footnotes added; language of footnotes reworked where needed, voted on, and approved; perhaps to be renumbered depending on the outcome of the "elbows" issue.