LONE STAR SCHIPPERKE CLUB, INC.

Membership Application

1st Reading _____

2nd Reading _____

☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. ☐ Other Name _____

Address *(include zip code)* _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Occupation _____ Kennel Name _____

E-mail Address _____ SCA Member? ☐ Yes ☐ No

TYPE OF SCHIPPERKE FANCIER: *(Please check as many as apply)*

☐ Breeder ☐ Show ☐ Obedience ☐ Rally ☐ Agility ☐ Barn Hunt ☐ Hobby ☐ Pet ☐ Other _____

How many years have you been a Schipperke fancier? _____ Do you own other breeds: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I currently own a Schipperke: ☐ Yes ☐ No Other Breed(s) owned _____

Have you ever been suspended by the American Kennel Club? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you now or have you ever been a member of another dog club? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you ever been suspended from any dog club? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you ever been cited by the SPCA, Humane Society or Animal Control? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you now or have you ever belonged to or supported any Animal Activist/Rights organization such as PETA, Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), Animal Defense League, Doris Day Animal League or Fund for Animals? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If the answer to any of these questions is "Yes", please explain in full detail on a separate sheet of paper.)

I have read the Membership Application and Code of Ethics and agree to comply to the best of my ability and also to relinquish my membership in the Lone Star Schipperke Club if I am found to be knowingly in violation of this Code or furnishing untrue information on this application. ***You MUST have attended a regular monthly meeting before you can apply for membership.***

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

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(if application is for a Household membership, both must sign.)

Recommended by: *(Must be signed by two LSSC members in good standing.)*

Sponsor's Signature #1 _____

Sponsor's Signature #2 _____

Please check one:

☐ Regular Membership.....$20.00 ☐ Associate Membership $10.00

☐ Household Membership.....$30.00 *(a household membership is 2 adult members residing at the same address)*

☐ Junior Membership *(under 18 years of age)*.....$ 5.00 Junior's Year of Birth _____

Submission & Payment Options: Pay via PayPal using the membership link on the club website and email completed forms to chestara@yahoo.com or mail a check (payable to Lone Star Schipperke Club, Inc.) with signed **Application and Code of Ethics to:**

Beverly Henry, Secretary
1129 Lake Bluff Drive, Little Elm, TX 75068
972-294-4371 – chestara@yahoo.com

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Code Of Ethics

PREAMBLE

As a member of the Lone Star Schipperke Club, I recognize my responsibility to preserve and protect the Schipperke breed, to promote its welfare, and to exemplify integrity, sportsmanship, and ethical conduct in all activities involving Schipperkes. I agree to adhere to the following Code of Ethics and understand that violations may result in disciplinary action or termination of membership.

This document must be signed by all new applicants and by paying dues, current members are agreeing to abide by this Code of Ethics dated April 2, 2026.

I. GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Breed Representation
    - I shall uphold the breed standard as approved by the national breed club and strive to preserve the health, structure, temperament, and historical purpose of the Schipperke.
2. Animal Welfare
    - I shall provide appropriate food, water, shelter, veterinary care, and socialization to every Schipperke in my care.
    - I will never engage in neglect, abuse, or allow my dogs to be kept in substandard conditions.
3. Honesty and Integrity
    - I will conduct myself honestly and fairly in all dog-related activities, including breeding, exhibiting, sales, rescue, and public representation of the breed.

II. BREEDING ETHICS

1. Purposeful Breeding
    - I will breed only with the intent of preserving and improving the breed.
    - I will only breed dogs that meet the breed standard, are physically and mentally sound, and are free from known hereditary diseases.
    - At no time will members purposely breed for any color other than black. Color testing is advised for all Schipperkes to avoid surprises. When in doubt about the color type of the breeding stock, there is a DNA test for color.
    - At no time shall I permit the use of drugs or surgery to alter conformation except for those surgical practices accepted by the current AKC approved Schipperke standard.
    - All dogs shall be transferred, sold, or placed in good condition, free of known communicable diseases, with a health guarantee. A written health record shall be provided, including an inoculation schedule. Dogs should have permanent identification, such as a microchip or tattoo, before leaving the breeder or seller.
    - Schipperke puppies shall not be released until at least eight (8) weeks of age. Puppies sold as pets should be sold with AKC Limited Registration. Spay/neuter agreements are required for all Schipperkes sold as pet/companions.
    - A written agreement shall be used for all transactions between buyer and seller of pet/companion quality Schipperkes. The agreement should include a provision requesting that the seller be contacted at any time if the owner is unable to keep the dog. I will conduct my dealings with fellow schipperke breeders with honesty and openness. I will take responsibility for any dog I produce and assist in re-homing or agree to take back any schipperke I produce, whether placed with a pet home or fellow breeder.

III. SALES AND PLACEMENTS

1. Puppy and Dog Placement
    - I will carefully screen potential buyers to ensure my puppies are placed in safe, responsible, and permanent homes to the best of my ability.
    - I shall guarantee that any puppy or adult dog sold by me is in good health, to my knowledge, at the time of sale, and suggest that the customer have the dog checked by his or her own veterinarian soon after purchase.
    - I will provide a written contract that includes a health guarantee, return-to-breeder clause, and spay/neuter requirements if appropriate.

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2. No Wholesale or Auction Sales
    - I will not sell Schipperkes to pet stores, brokers, puppy mills, or commercial dog dealers.
    - I will not donate dogs to raffles or other promotional giveaways.
3. Return Responsibility
    - I will take back or assist in the rehoming of any Schipperke I have bred or placed if the owner is no longer able or does not wish to care for the dog.

IV. EXHIBITION AND COMPETITION

1. Sportsmanship
    - I will conduct myself with respect and good sportsmanship at all dog events and in public forums, both in-person and online.
2. Dog Welfare at Events
    - I will ensure that any Schipperke I exhibit is clean, well-conditioned, and handled humanely.

V. RESCUE AND ADVOCACY

1. Support for Rescue
    - I will support legitimate Schipperke rescue efforts and may assist, when possible, with transport, fostering, or donations as my time and resources permit.

VI. MENTORSHIP AND WELCOMING NEWCOMERS

1. Members of this club recognize the importance of fostering a supportive and educational environment for individuals new to our breed. We believe that the preservation and advancement of our breed depend on sharing knowledge, encouraging responsible ownership, and guiding newcomers in their journey.
2. I will treat all newcomers with courtesy and respect, answering questions honestly and constructively.
3. I will offer mentorship, resources, and guidance to those interested in learning about the breed, whether as companion owners, exhibitors, or future breeders.
4. I will encourage newcomers to pursue ethical practices in breeding, exhibiting, training, and ownership, while modeling these standards ourselves.
5. I will help educate new enthusiasts on the history, temperament, structure, and purpose of the breed, as well as on the responsibilities of dog ownership.
6. I will welcome new members into club activities, providing opportunities for them to learn, volunteer, and engage in the community.

VII. CLUB PARTICIPATION AND CONDUCT

1. Collegiality
    - I will treat fellow club members with respect, support the goals of the club, and engage constructively in club matters.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

By signing this Code of Ethics, I affirm that I have read and understand its contents and agree to be bound by its principles as a condition of my membership in the Lone Star Schipperke Club. If a household membership, both parties must sign and date.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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