



THE KENNEL CLUB

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BEQUEST SERVICE FOR SOLE KENNEL NAME HOLDERS

(This service is free of charge)

If you hold a Kennel Name in your sole ownership and have worked hard to develop your line over the years, you will not want to let your Kennel Name be consigned to history when you pass away. Do you have a family member or a friend who may like to be associated with it and continue the line you have developed?

The Kennel Club recognises the significance of a Kennel Name and the reputation built up over a long period of time, which is why the Bequest Service was introduced to allow all sole Kennel Name holders, or an individual with a separate interest in a Kennel Name, the opportunity to bequeath their Kennel Name in the event of their death.

The Bequest Service allows Kennel Name holders to bequeath their names ensuring that their wishes are observed after death.

For anyone whose Kennel Name is held in joint names, you do not need to apply for this service. Upon the death of either party the Kennel Name will automatically transfer to the remaining person(s) upon notification.

A guide to help you complete an Application for the Bequest Service for Sole Kennel Name Holders

1. Kennel Name

Kennel Name that was approved and granted by the Kennel Club.

2. Existing Kennel Name Holder Name and Address

The Kennel Name holder is the name of the person in whose name the Kennel Name was registered. Please complete all sections in order for the application to be accepted.

Declaration

The declaration must be signed by the Kennel Name holder in order for the bequest to be accepted. The Kennel Club will treat this form as your authority and direction to pass the rights for the holding in the Kennel Name to the person(s) nominated on this form.

3. Nominated Person(s) Name and Address

The Nominated Person(s) is the name(s) of the person(s) to whom the Kennel Name will be transferred. Please complete all sections in order for the application to be accepted.

Once the application to bequeath an existing Kennel Name has been accepted, the Kennel Club will notify all parties in writing.

Declaration

The declaration must be signed by the nominated Kennel Name holder(s) in order for the bequest to be accepted.

4. Returning your application

Once you have completed this form, please send it to:

The Kennel Club,
4A Alton House Office Park,
Gatehouse Way,
Aylesbury,
Bucks
HP19 8XU

Notes

If you wish to gift your holding and ensure that the right to use your Kennel Name passes upon death then please complete the form overleaf. Your interest in the Kennel Name will otherwise lapse upon death.

- i. A holding in a Kennel Name gives the holder an exclusive right to use the name within the Kennel Club registration system. Use of a Kennel Name cannot be passed under a will upon the death of the Kennel Name holder.
- ii. Upon your death, interest in the Kennel Name will lapse unless provision is made with instructions and authority for the transfer of the Kennel Name. You should therefore complete this form ensuring that the signature of the nominated person(s) to whom you wish to pass the Kennel Name is obtained.
- iii. The Kennel Name must still be active at the time of death of the Kennel Name holder in order for the Kennel Name to be passed onto the nominee(s). If the Kennel Name has not been maintained, the name may become available to other applicant(s), or may not be eligible for reinstatement.

- iv. The activation of this application does not incur any charges to the applicant or the nominee(s), however, an annual maintenance fee for protecting the Kennel Name will apply. Please note if 'Lifetime' status has been previously granted, this will no longer be valid once the Kennel Name has passed to the nominee(s).
- v. A Kennel Name may be protected by a Breed Society/Club. The maintenance of a historically protected Kennel Name is subject to different regulations. For further details, please contact the Kennel Club.

For further information and guidance please contact our Kennel Name Team on 0844 4633 981.

Check List

- Have you completed all sections required?
- Have you checked all parties have signed the declaration?

Return to

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Telephone 0844 4633 980
Facsimile 01296 486725
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