

The Kennel Club General Code of Ethics

All breeders who register their puppies, and new owners who register ownership of their dogs with the Kennel Club, accept the jurisdiction of the Kennel Club and undertake to abide by its general Code of Ethics.

Breeders/Owners:

1. Will properly house, feed, water and exercise all dogs under their care and arrange for appropriate veterinary attention if and when required.
2. Will agree without reservation that any veterinary surgeon who performs an operation on any of their dogs which alters the natural conformation of the animal, or who carries out a caesarean section on a bitch, may report such operations to the Kennel Club.
3. Will agree that no healthy puppy will be culled. Puppies which may not conform to the Breed Standard should be placed in suitable homes.
4. Will abide by all aspects of the Animal Welfare Act.
5. Will not create demand for, nor supply, puppies that have been docked illegally.
6. Will agree not to breed from a dog or bitch which could be in any way harmful to the dog or to the breed.
7. Will not allow any of their dogs to roam at large or to cause a nuisance to neighbours or those carrying out official duties.
8. Will ensure that their dogs wear properly tagged collars and will be kept leashed or under effective control when away from home.
9. Will clean up after their dogs in public places or anywhere their dogs are being exhibited.
10. Will only sell dogs where there is a reasonable expectation of a happy and healthy life and will help with the re-homing of a dog if the initial circumstances change.
11. Will supply written details of all dietary requirements and give guidance concerning responsible ownership when placing dogs in a new home.
12. Will ensure that all relevant Kennel Club documents are provided to the new owner when selling or transferring a dog, and will agree, in writing, to forward any relevant documents at the earliest opportunity, if not immediately available.
13. Will not sell any dog to commercial dog wholesalers, retail pet dealers or directly or indirectly allow dogs to be given as a prize or donation in a competition of any kind. Will not sell by sale or auction Kennel Club registration certificates as stand alone items (not accompanying a dog).
14. Will not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed nor falsely advertise dogs nor mislead any person regarding the health or quality of a dog.

Breach of these provisions may result in expulsion from club membership, and/or disciplinary action by the Kennel Club and/or reporting to the relevant authorities for legal action, as appropriate.



THE KENNEL CLUB

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THE KENNEL CLUB
Making a difference for dogs

Form 1

Application for Litter Registration



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Selling your Kennel Club registered dogs

Let the Kennel Club help you find suitable homes for your new puppies with our Find a Puppy Service.

The Find a Puppy Service provides contact details of breeders who currently have Kennel Club registered pedigree puppies for sale in the UK.

The service is £20 for non Assured Breeders and details of the litter will be advertised on the Kennel Club website for two months. The site receives 500k puppy searches every month from potential new puppy owners.

Make sure you select this option when registering your litter or find out more at

www.findapuppy.org.uk

THE FIVE GENERATION ENHANCED PHOTO PEDIGREE!



Take pride in your puppy's heritage with a Kennel Club Photo Pedigree!

As the proud owner of a Kennel Club registered dog you have the opportunity to celebrate your dog's pedigree and its Champion ancestry by getting a certificate personalised with your favourite image of them.

Discover the Champions in your dog's family tree and order now at

www.thekennelclubshop.org.uk

Petlog

Petlog is the UK's largest database for microchipped pets.

Petlog is managed by the Kennel Club and has been in operation for over 20 years, securely holding over 10 million pet keeper details.

In order to comply with Compulsory Microchipping regulations, it is important to ensure that the puppies in your litter are microchipped and registered with an approved microchip database by the time the puppies are 8 weeks old. As part of these regulations, the breeder must be recorded on the microchip database as the first keeper.

To find out more please visit: www.petlog.org.uk/breeders or call 01296 336579

By registering with the Kennel Club you can also benefit from these schemes and additional services



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ASSURED BREEDER SCHEME

The aim of the Kennel Club Assured Breeder Scheme is to promote responsible breeding. It promotes good breeding practice and, as a breeder you may consider joining.

The Kennel Club is the only organisation accredited by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS) to certify dog breeders, under the Kennel Club Assured Breeder Scheme.



As a thank you for investing in the health and breeding of your dogs, the Kennel Club has introduced discounted registration fees plus savings on a host of additional services worth over £400 through your MyKC account.

For further details visit

www.assuredbreederscheme.org.uk

Register your litter online with MyKC



The easiest and quickest way to register your litter is online, via your MyKC account. MyKC gives you access to all your dogs records, health tools, dog friendly businesses and lots of other great services - including access to your dog's pedigree! PLUS lots of special offers.

To sign on or apply for an account please visit: www.mykc.org.uk

Check List

- Have you completed all sections required?
 - Have you checked any breed-specific rules for your litter?
 - Have you checked that the dam and sire are in the correct registered ownership?
 - Have you advertised your puppies on the Find A Puppy Service?
 - Have you checked all parties have signed the relevant boxes?
 - Have you ordered your pedigrees?*
 - Have you included the correct payment?
 - Have you activated KC 5 weeks free cover for each puppy?
- *Please note that pedigrees are sent separately.

What happens next?

- 1 Once your litter is registered you will receive a Change of Kennel Club Registered Ownership Form (Form 6) for each individual puppy. Sign the reverse of this form and pass to the new owner to enable them to change the Kennel Club registered ownership.
- 2 Encourage the new owner to change ownership of the puppy into their name as an official sign of commitment to the puppy's well-being.
- 3 Activate the FREE cover for each puppy you sell - cover can be activated up to 7 days before the puppy is collected by the new owner.



Enrol for Breeder Rewards today



5 WEEKS FREE INSURANCE COVER NOTES & EARN REWARDS WITH THE BREEDER REWARDS SCHEME

As a responsible breeder, you want to keep your puppies safe and secure, especially in those crucial first few weeks to give them the best possible start in life.

Rewards for YOU!

You activate 5 weeks FREE insurance cover for each puppy you sell - important protection for them, their new owners and of course, you.

You could also earn £10 in cash rewards for each cover note issued when the new owner continues their cover, if you enrol onto the Breeder Rewards Scheme.

Quick, easy & effective

- Activated by YOU - up to 10 days before so you know the puppies are covered when they leave
- 5 Weeks FREE cover for vet's fees and death if the puppy is ill or injured
- Fast and simple to activate using the KC registration number online or by Freephone
- UK based Customer Service team

To activate cover visit www.kcinsurance.co.uk/breeder or call FREE on 03330 30 50 30

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Kennel Name

A Kennel Name is an exclusive word that is associated with you and your dogs. Known as your 'breeder signature', a Kennel Name will set your puppies aside from those of anyone else.

You can include your Kennel Name within the names of your puppies at the point of registration as well as add to an existing name of a dog in your current registered ownership.

Becoming a Kennel Name holder will also enable you to receive the Puppy Naming service free of charge.

For further details on applying please visit www.thekennelclub.org.uk/kennelnames


Litter Application Form 1

Thank you for applying to register your litter onto the Kennel Club Breed Register. By doing so you will be helping to safeguard your puppies' futures.

We kindly urge you to complete this form as early as possible to ensure all the relevant registration documents are available for the new owners at the time of sale/collection.

This form should be used by the breeder to register, by name, all puppies in a litter under 12 months of age (see note*).

Completing the litter registration process is easy

Online  visit www.thekennelclub.org.uk/litterregistration

Post  complete and return the litter application form (see section 14)

This form can be downloaded from www.thekennelclub.org.uk/forms

A guide to help you complete the litter registration form

Section 1 The breeder(s) name and address

The breeder is the registered owner(s) of the dam at the date of birth of the litter. The declaration must be signed by all the registered parties.

It is important that you check the current legislation as required by law, in relation to dog breeding licences. Visit www.thekennelclub.org.uk/breeding-licence

Section 2 Registered name and number of dam of litter

An application to register a litter will not be accepted when:

Regulation B22

- The dam has already whelped four litters save in exceptional circumstances and only provided the application is made prior to the mating and with veterinary evidence as to the suitability of the bitch involved in the proposed whelping and permission has been received, or
- The dam has already reached the age of 8 years at the date of whelping save in exceptional circumstances and only provided application is made prior to the mating, and the proposed dam has previously whelped at least one other registered litter and permission has been received. Any such application must be supported by veterinary evidence as to the suitability of the bitch involved in the proposed whelping, or
- The dam was under one year old at the time of mating, or
- The offspring are the result of any mating between father and daughter, mother and son or brother and sister, save in exceptional circumstances or for scientifically proven welfare reasons and permission has been received, or
- The dam has already had two litters delivered by caesarean section, save for scientifically proven welfare reasons and this only provided the application is made prior to the mating.

Provided that the Kennel Club reserves the right to refuse any application made under Regulation B22c.(1), (2), (4) and (5).

It is important to check for breed specific information on any breeding restrictions and the colours available for your breed, visit www.breedinformationcentre.org.uk

Please note: The term UK address includes Northern Ireland. This does not expand to include the Republic of Ireland and the Channel Islands, or bitches also registered with the Irish Kennel Club (IKC), the Guernsey Kennel Club (GKC) or the Kennel Club of Jersey (KCJ) who are still resident within these clubs' jurisdictions.

Section 6 Kennel Name

Breeders who have a Kennel Name should enter it in this box.

The dam must be in the identical ownership to that of the Kennel Name holder.

Section 7 The sire owner(s) name and address

The sire owner(s) is the registered owner(s) of the sire at the date of mating of the litter. The declaration must be signed by all the registered parties. It is advisable to have this confirmation signed at the time of mating.

Section 8 Registered name and number of sire of litter

If the sire is registered with an overseas kennel club, and resident of the same country, in order for the sire to be recorded, the application must be accompanied with a copy of either the Three or Five Generation Pedigree (which cost £20 and £25 respectively) issued by the overseas kennel club confirming the registered ownership of the sire.

Please note: If the sire has previously been issued with an Authority to Compete Number, the above requirement does not apply. Please write this number in section 5 in place of the Kennel Club registration number.

Section 9 Litters produced by Artificial Insemination

If your litter was produced by artificial insemination (AI), the litter application form must be accompanied by a completed Form 2 - The Kennel Club Application for the Registration of Puppies Produced by Artificial Insemination (AI). This can be downloaded from <http://www.thekennelclub.org.uk/forms>

Section 10 Caesarean Sections

The Kennel Club will not register a further litter if the dam has already had two litters delivered by caesarean section, save for scientifically proven welfare reasons and this only normally provided the application is made prior to the mating.

Emergency caesarean

An operation which is performed under veterinary advice and which is considered necessary in the best interests of the health and welfare of the bitch and puppies.

Elective caesarean

An operation which is performed upon a request from the owner of a bitch.

Section 11 Additional Items & Fees

Details of all registrations are published quarterly in the Kennel Club Breed Records Supplement. If ordered, we will send you the edition that includes the details of this litter registration.

Please note: Delivery may take up to four months.

Section 12 Find a Puppy service

The Find A Puppy service is available for £20. Your litter will be advertised for a period of two calendar months with the following standard information being displayed - date of birth of the litter, ratio, optional photo and licence information plus your contact details. You can also include an additional advert for an additional £5 of up to 90 characters, by completing section 12.

This service is only available to breeders where no more than four litters have been registered at the same address over the preceding 12 month period.

The Kennel Club reserves the right to delete any wording displayed in a Find a Puppy advert that is considered to be inappropriate.

Section 13 Puppies

Guidelines to naming puppies (please read carefully)

- A name must consist of more than one word but not exceed 24 letters (including Kennel Name)
- A name which conflicts with an active Kennel Name granted to another person will not be accepted
- A registered name cannot be repeated within a breed
- The surname of the applicant is not acceptable
- A word cannot be repeated when naming puppies
- If a Kennel Name is to be used when registering a litter, the Kennel Name must appear as the first word in the name
- Numbers in figures and initials are not acceptable. Abbreviations may be disallowed
- Canine terms are not permissible e.g. 'dog', 'bitch', 'kennel', 'Champion', 'Crufts' and specific names of breeds
- The Kennel Club reserves the right to refuse any name, which it considers inappropriate or offensive. The Kennel Club retains the right to request a fresh name for any puppy after the registration has been accepted, in the event of a complaint being lodged with the Kennel Club which is upheld

You can perform a first check of your names online before submitting by visiting: www.thekennelclub.org.uk/dognames.

Puppy Naming service

For an additional £20, the Kennel Club will create unique names for your puppies. This service is free for Kennel Name holders using their own Kennel Name.

Please note: Any objection to a name registered using this service must be made in writing within one month of the registration date. The Kennel Club has no obligation to change a name which have selected when requested, where all reasonable and relevant attempts has been made to carefully select a suitable name. We reserve the right to exclude the use of the Kennel Club's designated Kennel Name being applied to the name of any individual puppy or entire litter if appropriate.

Colours

It is important to check for breed specific information on any breeding restrictions and the colours available for your breed, visit www.breedinformationcentre.co.uk

If the colour requested is unavailable, the puppy may be registered as 'Colour Not Recognised by KC'. You may be asked to produce a photograph of any individual puppy or the entire litter if appropriate.

Endorsements

The breeder whilst the dog is still in their physical ownership can add the following endorsements on the record of a puppy:

R	Progeny not eligible for registration
X	Not eligible for the issue of an Export Pedigree

These should be placed next to the relevant puppy the breeder wishes to be endorsed.

Breeders wishing to endorse any puppies should make themselves aware of the complete regulation contained in the Kennel Club Year Book, including the need to obtain written and signed confirmation that the prospective new owner is aware of the endorsement(s).

Details can also be found in the Endorsement Information Guide available from www.thekennelclub.org.uk/doginformation

Pedigrees

Please indicate which pedigree you require next to each puppy.

Five Generation Enhanced Pedigree - printed with Champions in red on A3 embossed paper	£23
Three Generation Pedigree - includes registration numbers and colours	£10
Five Generation Pedigree	£10

Section 14 Methods of payment

Please complete this section with your payment details and return the application to: The Kennel Club, Kennel Club House, Gatehouse Way, Aylesbury, HP19 8DB.

If you have any queries regarding your litter registration please call us on **01296 318540**.



Online Breed Information Centre

To view breed-specific information on any breeding restrictions and the colours available for your breed, visit www.breedinformationcentre.org.uk.

The Breed Information Centre also includes the contact details of clubs and other useful organisations, breed characteristics, health testing and screening and much more.

NOTES: The Kennel Club reserves the right to reject any application to register a Kennel Name or transfer any dog or to change or cancel or suspend any registration and may cancel or suspend any registration or transfer or grant of a Kennel Name already made.

The data and health screening results connected to your dog will be published and used for registration and publication in relevant Kennel Club documentation as well as included in the Health Test Results Finder and Mate Select calculations. The data may also be used for research (statistical purposes) and shared with trusted and reputable partners for the sole purpose of undertaking research to improve dog health and welfare.

In the event that a breeder is required by law to obtain a breeding licence, that breeder may be required to produce his/her licence to the Kennel Club. If such licence is not produced and / or no reasonable explanation is given, any applications to register litters may be refused.

When submitted, this form remains the property of the Kennel Club.

The full Kennel Club Rules and Regulations are contained in the Kennel Club Year Book.

Check breed-specific information on any breeding restrictions at www.breedinformationcentre.org.uk

* The Kennel Club may consider an application for the late registration of dogs over the age of 12 months, or if adding a puppy to an existing litter already registered. The application must be accompanied by a letter of explanation and is subject to a fee of £60 per dog.

The acceptance of a registration is not a guarantee of its accuracy.

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