

## Wenatchee Kennel Club

## Code of Ethics

The objectives of the Wenatchee Kennel Club (WKC) are to encourage, educate and promote interest in purebred dogs via educational meetings, to hold American Kennel Club sanctioned events such as matches, allbreed dog shows, obedience trials, rally trials, agility trials, scent work, and tracking tests, and to encourage its membership to promote quality in the breeding of their pure-bred registered dogs.

The Wenatchee Kennel Club asserts that its membership has the obligation to preserve and maintain all dogs without exploiting them; and further asserts that its membership owes an obligation to the Club to uphold the high ideals set forth for all dog club organizations by the American Kennel Club. In addition, it is asserted by the Club that its membership owes an obligation to each other as well as future members to supply factual information without misrepresentation.

In accordance with the ideals set forth in the Preamble, the Wenatchee Kennel Club herewith sets forth the following as its Code of Ethics and states that violation of any provision hereof by a member could constitute grounds for suspension of membership or expulsion from the Club as provided for in Article VII of our Articles of Incorporation

- 1. I will maintain adequate, proven standards of sanitation and health care for my dogs and maintain accurate medical, breeding and show records, not only for the sake of my dogs, but also to set a good example for prospective new dog owners.
- 2. I will offer assistance to new owners with respect to the care and feeding of their dog, stressing the need for selecting a veterinarian for routine health care and needed immunizations.
- 3. I shall pass on to buyers of puppies and adult dogs accurate health, registration (where applicable), and pedigree records and put in written contract form all agreements between parties, whether for Sale, Lease or Stud.
- 4. I shall not knowingly be involved in the sale of dogs to pet shops or any other type of wholesale outlet, federal licensed dog dealers or institutions involved in research, or further, be involved in the purchase of dogs solely for resale. I am aware of AKC's requirement that the registration is transferred directly to the purchaser. Members will not, to the best of their knowledge, sell or consign any animals to pet shops, commercial outlets, auctions, to contest sponsors, dog brokers, or to persons under censure by AKC or any breed club.
- 5. If I use my dog for breeding, either to provide stud service or to produce a litter, I will make every effort to produce puppies in close conformity to the breed standard. I will accept responsibility for each puppy's placement in a home suitable for its physical and mental characteristics.
- 6. I shall at all times act courteously with sportsmanlike conduct inside and outside of all dog related events, shall not maliciously degrade members, exhibitors or their dogs, judges or their judging. I will recognize that those dogs in competition with mine may also have desirable characteristics in the judge's eyes.

7. I shall become familiar with, and conduct myself in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies as set forth by the American Kennel Club, and any other organization recognized by the Wenatchee Kéhnel Club. Date 6/4/2018

Signature, Wenatchee Kennel Club President

Print Name clearly

Ratified at General Membership Meeting on 8/27/18

Approved by Board of Directors on 10/4/2018