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REGULATIONS

PART XIII

CODE OF ETHICS

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1. A Member shall, at all times, ensure that all dogs under that Member's control are properly housed, fed, watered, exercised and receive proper veterinary attention, as and when required.
- 1A. A Member shall permit any person authorised in writing by the Secretary, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors, to enter and inspect any premises owned or occupied by the member for the purpose of investigating compliance with Regulation 1 of this Code.
2. A Member shall not allow any dogs under that Member's care to roam at large and, when away from home, ensure that they are kept fully leashed or under effective control, at all times.
3. A Member shall breed only with the intent of maintaining and/or improving the standard of the Breed.
- 3A. Members, who are breeders, shall strive to eliminate hereditary diseases within their breed.
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4. A bitch shall not be bred from unless it has reached adequate maturity. (No matings before 9 months for Toys and Brachycephalic Breeds, 12 months for others except Giant Breeds where a minimum of 18 months is to apply for matings) and is in good health and thereafter not more than twice in each succeeding period of twelve (12) months. In the event a bitch is bred twice in twelve months then under no circumstances will another litter be registered for that bitch for a period of twelve months after a second litter.

(However, Applications for Registration of litters whelped outside this Code will be considered for registration by the Code of Ethics Committee). **2/96**
5. A Member shall not knowingly permit any of that Member's pure bred dogs to be mated to a dog of a different breed, to a cross-bred dog, or to any unregistered dog of the same breed or a dog on the Limited or Associate Register (except that guide dogs and working dogs shall be an exception to this prohibition). **2/97**
6. A Member shall not sell or otherwise transfer from that Member's care any puppy under eight (8) weeks of age, thus allowing for vaccination which must be given at six (6) weeks of age, and for the necessary ten (10) to fourteen (14) days for the vaccine to take effect.
7. A Member shall ensure that all persons acquiring dogs from that Member clearly understands their responsibility for the care and welfare of the animal and that they have the time and facilities (ie adequate fences, sufficient room and proper shelter etc) to perform their obligations.
8. A Member shall provide to all purchasers of dogs sold or placed by that Member, written details of all dietary and immunisation requirements and/or appropriate publications relating to such requirements and responsible dog ownership.

9. A Member shall not sell any dog to commercial dog wholesalers or retail pet dealers, who are not registered with the joint R.N.S.W.C.C./PIJAC Australia Pet Shop Accreditation Scheme or directly or indirectly allow a dog to be given as a prize or donation in a contest of any kind.
10. A Member shall not KNOWINGLY misrepresent the characteristics of the breed.
11. A Member shall ensure that when selling or transferring a dog to another person that documents, as required by the Regulations, are provided to the purchaser of the dog, however if documents are withheld for any reason, the Member must still comply with Regulations 7, 8, 10 & 12 of this Code.
12. Upon the sale of a dog a Member shall supply the new owner with a current vaccination certificate signed by a Veterinary Surgeon evidencing that the dog has been immunised against Canine Distemper, Hepatitis and Parvo Virus.
13. No dog should be sold in a state of ill health.
14. Non compliance with Regulations 1 or 1A of this Code is deemed to be misconduct.
15. A Member, who is a Breeder, must register all litters that they breed. **2/96**
16. A member who provides or makes available a dog for use in a film, advertisement, promotion, any media or public display must use reasonable care to ensure that:
 - (a) the dog is portrayed in a fashion consistent with its breed characteristics and temperament as described in the Standard for the breed, and
 - (b) the dog is presented in a fashion that is unlikely to create a negative reaction to dogs generally or that breed in particular and that if there is any likelihood of a negative impression, this is at the same time corrected through the development of a story line that presents the dog or the breed (as appropriate) in a balanced fashion . **10/97**

“ADEQUATE MATURITY”

The Code of Ethics Committee recently discussed the Code of Ethics Clause 4 in relation to the definition of “adequate maturity” and the classification of breeds and resolved that the following definitions be adopted.

Definition of Toy and Small Breeds

All Dogs in Group 1 less Brachycephalic Breeds plus:

Manchester Terrier
Lhasa Apso
Poodle (Toy)

Brachycephalic Breeds

Griffon Bruxellois
King Charles Spaniel
Pekingese
Pug
Boxer
Boston Terrier
British Bulldog
French Bulldog
Shih Tzu

Giant Breeds

Alaskan Malamute
Bloodhound
Deerhound
Irish Wolfhound
Bullmastiff
Mastiff
Neopolitan Mastiff
Newfoundland
Pyrenean Mountain Dog
Rottweiler
Schnauzer (Giant)
St Bernard
Tibetan Mastiff
Great Dane

Submissions for any additions to the above classifications must be in writing to the Code of Ethics Committee and will be considered on their individual merit.