

**LONGVIEW KENNEL CLUB
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

The Longview Kennel Club was formed to promote, protect and advance the interests of purebred dogs, to encourage good sportsmanship and to conduct sanctioned matches, dog shows, and obedience trials under the rules of the American Kennel Club. By signing this application, applicant(s) agrees to read and support LKC's Code of Ethics. Applicants further understand that the Longview Kennel Club does not approve applications from persons with a history of or potential for breeding for commercial reasons only.

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____ Work Phone _____

Web Site _____ Cell Phone _____

How long have you lived at your current address? _____

Where do you work? _____ How long? _____

What breed(s) of dog(s) do you have? _____

Years in purebred dogs? _____ Good standing with AKC? Yes _____ No _____

Kennel Name, if any _____

Do you consider yourself a: Pet Owner: _____

Breeder: Conformation _____ Obedience _____ Pet _____ Other (Explain) _____

Exhibitor: Conformation _____ Obedience _____ Other (Explain) _____

Are you interested in becoming involved in Conformation _____ Obedience _____

How many dogs do you own? Intact Males _____ Intact Females _____ Spayed/Neutered _____

In the past 3 years, how many puppies have your bitches produced? _____

How many litters have bitches owned or co-owned by you produced? _____

Who is your primary veterinarian? _____ How long? _____

Do you belong, or have you belonged, to any other all-breed or specialty clubs? _____

If yes, name of club _____ Length of membership _____

Offices held _____

Annual membership desired: Individual (\$15) _____ Household (\$20) _____ Associate (\$10) _____

Junior (\$10.00 or free) _____ If Junior, Date of Birth _____

Reason for desiring Membership in Longview Kennel Club_____

Once your application is approved by the club, you will be asked to pay dues for the current year to the club Treasurer. After that, during the month of November, each member will receive a statement of dues for the coming year, payable on or before January 1st.

Applicant understands the Longview Kennel Club does not condone consigning or selling dogs to pet shops, commercial breeders, wholesalers, retailers, dealers, or researchers. The Club feels members should screen prospective buyers as thoroughly as possible to determine their desire and intent for each dog and also for their interest in and ability to provide safe, adequate and loving homes for the dogs. Members should also strive to educate buyers and the public on the care of dogs, and in other areas where the member is qualified.

Applicant agrees to abide by the Constitution and Bylaws and the Code of Ethics of the Longview Kennel Club. Applicant has read the Code of Ethics.

If no current members know the applicant well enough to recommend membership, permission is hereby granted for two members selected by the President or Board to visit my home/kennel in order to ascertain dog ownership practices. Also, applicant grants permission for LKC to seek a letter of recommendation from applicant's veterinarian.

Applicant(s) Signature_____ Date of Birth: Month____ Day_____

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Longview Kennel Club sponsors will write a brief statement of knowledge of the applicant, and will be present at one reading.

Sponsor's Signature_____

Statement of knowledge_____

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Statement of knowledge_____

Date application submitted_____

First Reading_____ Second Reading_____

Date of Approval_____

Date initial dues paid_____

LONGVIEW KENNEL CLUB CODE OF ETHICS

Each member of the Longview Kennel Club will consider the welfare of his/her breed when engaging in any activities involving the breeding, selling or competition of purebred dogs. LKC Members are urged to comply with the following guidelines:

1. Members of the Longview Kennel Club will abide by the constitution and by-laws of the LKC and The American Kennel Club.
2. Members will ensure that all dogs in their care are provided adequate food, water, shelter, veterinary care, and opportunity for exercise, socialization, and personal attention to monitor their needs. All dogs will be kept in clean, healthy, and safe environments.
3. Breeding will be directed toward producing dogs of exceptional quality in breed temperament, type, and abilities. Only healthy, mature dogs and bitches, free of congenital defects and of characteristic breed type, sound structure and temperament shall be bred. Members should accept the standards of their breeds as approved by the American Kennel Club (or an equivalent registry recognized by the Club's board) as the only standards by which dogs shall be bred and judged. Breeders are encouraged to screen for all appropriate hereditary disorders. Only purebred, AKC (or equivalent) registered dogs shall be used for breeding.
4. Members should not undertake the breeding of a bitch unless they are prepared to act responsibly regarding the disposition of the resultant puppies. Members shall be discriminating in the placing of puppies and adult dogs, choosing environments in which the dogs will receive suitable care and affection and will not be misused.
5. Breeders shall urge purchasers to spay or neuter any dog, which is not considered of breeding quality, and make use of limited registrations where appropriate. If puppies with serious defects are sold rather than euthanized, they should be spayed or neutered prior to placement in a new home.
6. Dogs offered for sale or males offered at stud must be presented honestly regarding their pedigrees, their potential as bred and their faults or the fault possibilities that may develop in maturity.
7. Breeders and stud dog owners are responsible for the progeny of their dogs. Both are required to assist in the care and placement of any dog in rescue that is bred by them or sired by a dog that is owned, co-owned or leased by them.
8. Members of the Longview Kennel Club will follow good business practices and ethics in breeding and sales contracts and will honor all agreements. Written agreements in all dealings regarding dogs are strongly encouraged.
9. No member of this club shall engage in the wholesaling of litters or the selling of breeding stock to commercial sales operations ("puppy mills"). No member will offer or supply dogs of any age for prizes, raffles, or lotteries; nor will they sell puppies to or breed to dogs owned by those who they have reason to believe may do so. No member shall sell any animal on parking lots, roadsides, or at "trade days".
10. Registration papers, application for registration, or bill of sale stating sire, dam, date of birth, and registration numbers shall accompany puppies as they go to their new home. Breeders shall furnish buyers with written details on feeding, dates of inoculations, wormings, general care of the puppies, and the name and address of a licensed veterinarian who has examined the puppy after the age of six weeks.
11. No member shall engage in false or misleading advertising or misrepresentation of his/her dogs or those of competitors.

Members will practice the principles of good sportsmanship, considering competition to be a challenge, not a threat. All members of the Longview Kennel Club shall conduct themselves in all aspects of the sport of dogs in a manner designed to reflect credit upon our breeds and our club.