

**The Bulldog Club of Indiana's Breeders Code of Ethics
(Breeders, Fancier's and Club Members)**

- **Preamble:** The Code of Ethics is established
To set a standard of acceptable behavior for
The Bulldog Club of Indiana members the code
Is designed to protect the integrity of the club and
To protect and enhance the breed.

- **Breeders Code of Ethics**
All breeders listed in the Bulldog Club of Indiana breeders referral Directory and who offer puppies and Adults for sale to the public, are asked to abide by the following code of ethics and to be bound by its standard of behavior. **Failure to comply will result in their removal from our Breeders Directory.** All members of the breeder referral directory must be in good standing with the BCA (Bulldog Club of America), AKC (American Kennel Club) and the BCI (Bulldog Club of Indiana) and reside in the state of Indiana.

- **Members of the Bulldog Club of Indiana** are expected to conduct themselves in a manner in which will honor the club and themselves and their dogs.

- I will provide any and all information to my knowledge on the characteristics and properties of the breed to interested individuals.

- I will maintain a safe, clean and sanitary home for all stud dogs, bitches, and all adult and puppies for sale.

- I will breed only for the purpose of improving the **Health and quality of the breed.** I will conscientiously plan each litter of puppies I breed for sale and show. Selecting the best Stud dog or bitch to be bred based on the health, pedigree, conformation and temperament. And I will not breed no more than 4 litters a year.

- **I will not breed a male before he is physically and mentally mature and I will not breed a bitch before her 2nd heat cycle or 18 months which ever comes first.** To insure that she is physically and mentally mature. I will not breed a dog or a bitch beyond an inappropriate age I shall never breed a bitch more than three times unless my vet assures me that the bitch is of a good age and of excellent health and that she may be bred a fourth time she is to be spayed after her fourth litter I agree to **NEVER** breed any bitch more than **four** times ever.

- I will be knowledgeable about inherited health problems in my breed and will do my best to assure that I am breeding the healthiest puppies I can. I will supply the new owner with all Certificates pertaining to said dog or puppy.

- I will breed only AKC registered dogs and bitches all puppies for sale will have their AKC papers I will not release a puppy until it is at least 8 weeks old and has received its first round of puppy shots and has also been wormed. As a guideline set forth by my veterinarian

- I will not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed, nor falsely advertise, or mislead any person regarding the performance of any adult dog or puppy for sale.

- I will show **discrimination** in the sale of my puppies and be concerned with the type of homes in which they are placed. I will make buyers aware of their responsibilities as dog

owners. I will not sell or donate dogs to commercial dog wholesalers, dealers, brokers, retailers, pet shops or any other person or organization, for resale or “give-away” to the public. I will not supply puppies for charity raffles or auctions.

- I will comply with all federal, state or local government laws and regulations concerning the keeping of dogs.
- I will keep accurate records and retain them for a minimum of five years as required by AKC these records will include: pedigree and all litters of puppies for sale and all dogs/puppies sold.
- **At time of sale, I will provide the buyer:**
 1. A properly executed registration certificate (AKC). Registration materials may be withheld if a written statement is provided to the new owner of when, and under what condition, they will be provided (**until the time of spay or neuter by the new owner as verified by a veterinarian,**) Or if written certification identifying the exact date of birth, and the AKC registration numbers of sire and dame is provided instead.
 2. I will give a health record that will including diet, puppy shots and Basic care information.
 3. Time frame of when the puppy should be examined **by a licensed veterinarian, at the buyer’s expense, (2 business day’s from date of possession)** and only then upon written recommendation of the veterinarian for specific reasons that the puppy or dog may be returned to the seller for a full refund of all moneys paid or the replacement of the dog/puppy **at the discretion of seller.**
 4. I will not deliberately degrade any member, fancier, and their dogs, kennel or There person
- I agree to be a resource for the buyers of puppies or adult dog that **I have Sold, for the life of the dog.**
- **All breeders in the bulldog Club of Indiana breeder’s referral directory are currently being asked to agree to the above Code of Ethics and to be bound by its standard of behavior.**
- **Disclaimer**

The **BCI** assumes no responsibility for the quality, health, or temperament of any dog, nor do we warrant, guarantee, integrity, honesty or reliability, expressed or implied, by any member or person or organization whose name appears in the **BCI** breeder referral directory. All such warranties, guarantees and promises are between buyer(s) and seller(s) as individuals. The **BCI** cannot and dose not, become involved in resolving conflicts and disagreements between buyers and sellers. The **BCI** responsibility is limited to requesting assurance from the list that they will abide by the terms of the Bull Dog Club of Indiana’s Breeders Code of Ethics.