

THE PHARAOH HOUND CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

CODE OF ETHICS

I. I shall comply with all the rules and regulations of the Pharaoh Hound Club of America, Inc. and the American Kennel Club.

II. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

I shall provide clean, dry, temperature appropriate housing with ample opportunity for proper exercise for all my Pharaoh Hounds.

I shall feed a properly balanced diet, commensurate with the requirements of the breed.

I shall be certain that all dogs in my care and keeping are protected by all necessary immunizations as recommended by my veterinarian.

I shall make every effort to keep my dogs free from internal and external parasites; shall follow a worming program in accordance with the advice of my veterinarian and consult with him in all matters of parasite control and prevention.

I shall make every effort to see that my Pharaoh Hounds have the socialization necessary to allow their natural love and acceptance of human companionship to be developed to the fullest extent.

I shall be aware that the Pharaoh Hound is an intelligent and sensitive dog and that, although he is an excellent kennel dog, his love of humans necessitates daily human attention for proper care and training.

III. BREEDING

I shall breed only to produce dogs that meet the breed standard of the Pharaoh Hound Club of America, Inc. as accepted by the American Kennel Club.

I shall use for breeding only dogs I consider genetically, temperamentally, and physically free from defects. I understand that all dogs used for breeding should be screened for any genetic defects as may be appropriate to propagate good health.

I shall not use for breeding, nor breed to, any Pharaoh Hounds I consider to be of "pet" quality, nor any Pharaoh Hounds that are not registered with the American Kennel Club or a foreign registry recognized by the American Kennel Club.

I shall, with the knowledge that the demand for Pharaoh Hound puppies may not meet the supply potential, refrain from breeding merely for the sake of producing puppies, but shall be conservative and selective in my breeding program. Before the breeding of my bitch, I shall be prepared to cull, as necessary, and shall have adequate facilities to keep and care for all puppies until the proper homes are found for them

I agree that stud dogs should not be bred prior to one (1) year of age and should be in good health and free from communicable diseases and disqualifying faults. It is the Pharaoh Hound Club of America, Inc.'s position that stud owners are responsible for puppies produced by their studs and it is therefore recommended they verify the bitch owner is a responsible owner and breeder. Any bitch accepted for stud service should be at least 18 months of age, in good health and free from communicable diseases and disqualifying faults. All breedings that occur should be done with the intention of the preservation and betterment of the breed, taking into consideration matters of

structure, health and temperament, as well as the ability of the breeder to be responsible for the puppies produced.

I shall refuse stud service to any owner who is unwilling to cooperate in all efforts to protect the breed welfare. I agree that no stud dog should be bred to any bitch whose owner is directly or indirectly involved with any puppy broker, puppy mill, litter lot sales, or any other commercial enterprise whose business is involved in like activities.

I agree that no bitch should be bred more than once a year without first obtaining veterinary certification that such a breeding is medically appropriate, nor prior to one and one half years (1 1/2) of age, nor after eight (8) years of age without veterinary certification. Each bitch to be bred should be in good health and free from communicable diseases and disqualifying faults. I agree that breeders of litters are responsible for puppies produced by their bitches, and that breeders verify that purchasers of puppies will be responsible owners who will provide proper homes and care. I agree that all breedings that occur should be done with the intention of the preservation and betterment of the breed, taking into consideration matters of structure, health and temperament, as well as the ability of the breeder to be responsible for the puppies produced.

No bitch should be bred for commercial reasons. No Pharaoh Hound will be sold to commercial facilities, businesses or agents thereof.

I shall explain to all potential buyers and breeders the responsibilities they have to the breed and to the puppies resulting from any breeding.

I shall maintain records of health and breeding of each individual dog in accordance with the requirements of the American Kennel Club.

I realize that I have a lifelong responsibility to make every reasonable effort to protect the well-being of each dog I produce. This includes accepting the return or rescue of any Pharaoh Hound that I have bred, regardless of age. If I am unable to do so, either physically or financially, I will contact Pharaoh Hound Club of America, Inc. Rescue for advice and/or assistance. Under no circumstances will I knowingly allow a Pharaoh Hound of my breeding, or anyone else's, to be placed in a shelter or passed from home to home indiscriminately.

#### IV. SALES

I shall offer, for sale, only those dogs which are physically and mentally sound and make every effort to properly place my dogs according to temperament and personality, realizing that the welfare of said puppy, or dog, is of prime importance.

I shall only offer an intact "pet" quality dog for sale providing a non-breeding contract is signed by both parties, and when possible the dog shall be released on an American Kennel Club limited registration. When feasible the dog will be neutered prior to release to the purchaser.

I shall not release puppies to their new homes until they are at least 8 weeks of age. I will not ship puppies by air under the age of 10 weeks, but will let them travel if accompanied by the new owner.

I shall screen potential buyers as carefully as possible and refuse to sell to any person whom I have reason to believe will not properly care for the dog, both mentally and physically.

I shall provide each new owner with health and feeding information and any other pertinent information necessary for the care and keeping of the dog.

I shall provide each purchaser with a bill of sale, three generation pedigree, health record, registration (unless it is withheld by written agreement of both parties), and instructions for good care and feeding.

I shall also supply a written health guarantee detailing conditions for replacement or reimbursement.

I will have each puppy microchipped for permanent identification prior to leaving for its new home.

I shall not advertise falsely. All dogs shall be as represented by me and any defects shall be forthrightly noted.

I shall recommend that all purchasers have their dog examined by a licensed veterinarian within 48 hours of receipt.

I will accept the return of any puppy that I sell if the new owner is dissatisfied with the puppy.

I shall invite all purchasers to contact me at any time should any questions arise, and agree to do all possible to assist them regarding the breed.

I shall refuse to sell or donate dogs to commercial wholesalers, retailers, in litter lot sales or for raffles.

V. GENERAL

I shall provide written agreements for all co-ownership, stud services and conditional sales.

I shall always conduct myself in a manner that reflects credit upon myself, the Pharaoh Hound breed, and the Pharaoh Hound Club of America, Inc. I will practice good sportsmanship, good ring manners, and courtesy to both judges and fellow exhibitors. I will take responsible precautions to maintain hotels and show grounds in clean condition.

I shall stress the importance of membership in the Pharaoh Hound Club of America, Inc. and encourage participation.

I shall submit a yearly health survey of my Pharaoh Hound(s) to the Pharaoh Hound Club of America, Inc.

I hereby accept and agree to abide by the foregoing Code of Ethics of the Pharaoh Hound Club of America, Inc.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_