



GUIDELINES FOR NEW BREEDERS

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Having selected a dog to mate with your bitch it is imperative that both animals are registered on the Main Register of either the Dogs SA or another Controlling Body interstate.

Animals registered on the Limited Register cannot be used for breeding

(A dog may be transferred between the Main and Limited Registers subject to the breeder's consent and conditions)

Ensure the requirements of the Dogs SA Code of Ethics have been met, a copy of which is attached.

The owners of both the stud dog and bitch must be current financial members of Dogs SA, except in the case of an interstate stud dog being used, then the owner of the stud dog must be a member of their Controlling Body. The "Application for Litter Registration" must be forwarded for signature by the owner(s) of the Sire.

In order to register a litter the owner(s) of the bitch must hold a financial "Prefix" in the same ownership as that of the bitch. An existing prefix must be maintained by paying an annual fee with Membership renewal.

To apply for a new Prefix, completion of the relevant application and payment of the fee is required.

Note: Only financial members can apply for a prefix.

Breeders should note the granting of a new Prefix may take several weeks to be approved by the Australian National Kennel Council Ltd (ANKC).

Registering litters for the following breeds require further testing of Sire and Dam as per ANKC regulations. Please contact the Dogs SA Office for full requirements.

- German Shepherd Dog
- Rottweiler
- Bedlington Terrier
- Australian Shepherd
- Labrador Retriever
- Golden Retriever
- Bullmastiff
- Flat Coated Retriever

REGISTRATION OF A LITTER AND PUPPIES

Dogs SA require "Application for Litter Registration" correctly completed.

Note: All details must be completed and microchip stickers attached for each puppy.

Details of Progeny to be registered - COMMON NAME OF PUPPY:

Names of Dogs submitted for individual registration:

1. The registered prefix of a breeder must be attached to the name of every animal bred by them and such prefix shall be deemed to be part of the name.
2. No name, shall exceed more than 30 characters, including spaces and breeder's prefix.
3. Shall not include the use of apostrophes and the letter ('s) which goes with it and all hyphens.
4. A name, once registered, shall not again be used in the same breeder.
5. When a name is not acceptable and the breeder omits a second choice name a substitute name will be allocated.
6. Once a name has been registered and accepted, it shall not be altered or added to.
7. No dog shall be registered unless the breeder has a registered kennel prefix.
8. No dog shall be entered for competition or exhibition only or be advertised or otherwise referred to by only part of the registered name which includes the prefix and recognised title (if any) and the word (imp) if the dog has been imported, or by a name different from the registered name.
9. No word that is in the nature of a known prefix or deceptively similar to a known prefix and no prefix except the breeders registered prefix may be used in a dog's name. It is the responsibility of the complainant to lodge an objection that a name conflicts with this regulation and it is further understood that it is not the responsibility of the processing office to recognise issues prior to lodgement of an objection.
10. The following are not to be used in the name of a dog: "Imp", hyphens, apostrophes, roman numerals

Following completion of the Application of Litter Registration you are now ready to lodge the paperwork with the Dogs SA Office. The fees are outlined on the website www.dogssa.com.au under Scale of Charges (use search box on download page) or in the Dogs SA Magazine.

- All puppies in the litter must be registered on either the Main or Limited Register.
- No dogs will be registered after 18 months from the date of birth
- Turnaround time for receipt of Puppy registration pedigrees will vary depending on the time of year but usually within two weeks.

Transfer of Ownership to the new owner can be effected by completion of the transfer page included with the litter application or on the Reverse Side of the pedigree.

Please note, as **the Registered breeder in SA it is your responsibility to lodge the transfers** of ownership or lease in accordance with the SACA Rules, within 14 days of the date of disposition.

Breeders are responsible for the lodgement AND transfer fee.

Revised Pedigree certificates are then posted directly to the new owners.

Dogs SA Code of Ethics for Members

PART XV CODES

A. CODE OF ETHICS FOR MEMBERS

Each Member shall comply with the following Code of Ethics and any Member who fails to do so shall be guilty of an offence against these Rules.

As a Member of the South Australian Canine Association:

1. I shall ensure that at all times all dogs under my control are properly and effectively contained by fencing or enclosure, and properly housed, fed, watered, exercised and given proper Veterinary attention if and when required.
2. I shall not allow any dogs under my care to roam at large, and, when away from home, ensure they are kept fully leashed and under effective control, or otherwise under effective control at all times. (01/16)
3. I shall breed only for the purpose of improving the quality of the breed in line with the breed standard and strive to eliminate hereditary diseases in the breed/s that I produce.
4. I shall strive to have all my breeding stock tested, where tests are available, for hereditary diseases.
5. The health and welfare of a bitch being bred from is of paramount importance and I will adhere to the following minimum standards. (01/20)
 - (a) Not allow any bitch owned by me and/or under my control to be mated before she is twelve months of age. (01/20)
 - (b) Breeding – A member shall not breed with a bitch causing it to whelp more than twice in any eighteen (18) month period without the prior approval of the SACA. (01/20)
 - (c) Not permit a bitch to have more than five litters in her lifetime. (01/20)
 - (d) Not conduct or permit mother/son, father/daughter or brother/sister matings. Puppies from such matings will not be registered unless approval from the SACA was provided prior to the mating. SACA will only provide approval where scientifically proven welfare or veterinary reasons exist. (01/20)
 - (e) Not breed a bitch over eight years of age unless at the time of a mating there was a current veterinary certificate stating that the bitch is in good health. The veterinary certificate must be presented at the time of registering the litter resulting from this mating. A current veterinarian certificate is defined as a certificate dated within the three months prior to the mating. (01/20)
6. I shall not knowingly permit any of my pure bred dogs to be mated to a dog of a different breed, to a cross bred dog, or to an unregistered dog of the same breed, or to a dog of the same breed which is entered on the Limited Register, unless specific permission is given by the SACA.
7. I shall not sell or otherwise transfer from my care any puppy under eight weeks of age, thus allowing for vaccination to be given at six weeks of age and thereby allowing for the ten to fourteen days for the vaccine to take effect. Upon the disposal of the dog I shall provide the owner with a current vaccination certificate of that dog issued by a Veterinary Surgeon. Accepted Veterinarian vaccination certificates are C3 12/36 months, C4, C5 or an annual Titre Test accompanied by a Veterinarian letter. (01/19)
8. I shall not knowingly sell or otherwise transfer from my care any dog that is not in good health.
9. I shall ensure that any puppy that is to be exported shall be a minimum of eleven weeks of age and micro-chipped. (01/12)
10. I shall ensure that all persons acquiring dogs from me clearly understand their responsibility for the care and welfare of the animal as defined in Clause 1 and 2 above. I shall not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed, nor falsely advertise, or mislead any person regarding the performance of any dog. I shall provide to all purchasers of dogs or those placed by me, written details of all dietary and vaccination requirements and responsible dog ownership and/or an appropriate publication relating to such requirements.
11. I shall not sell any dog to commercial dog wholesalers, retail pet dealers, or directly or indirectly to allow a dog to be given as a prize or donation in a contest of any kind or to be auctioned. (01/12)

LIMITED REGISTER REGULATIONS

A Breeder may make application to register a dog on the LIMITED REGISTER and shall pay the appropriate fees when lodging the Litter Registration application. A dog entered on the LIMITED REGISTER shall be:

- Ineligible for exhibition at a Conformation Exhibition
- Ineligible to be used for breeding purposes
- Ineligible for an export certificate to be issued

A dog may be transferred between the Main Register and the Limited Register, subject to the following conditions:

- Application for transfer is lodged with the Executive Officer
- Both the breeder and the registered owner(s) of the dog make written application for transfer in such form as approved by the Council
- The dog meets the requirement to be included in the Main Register.

COMPULSORY MICROCHIPPING OF DOGS

The ANKC has moved to make microchipping compulsory for all registered pedigree dogs across Australia. Microchipping must now be done before the registration of a puppy. This will be enforced in all states and territories from 1st January 2012.

Compulsory microchipping is another step forward taken by the ANKC on behalf of dogs in Australia. The microchip details are recorded in a central database and a portable scanner is used to read the chip and identify the dog. The benefits of microchipping have been proven.

For purebred dogs, the pedigree can be verified beyond doubt because of compulsory microchipping. In the past DNA evidence has been provided, but this information often lacks clear identification. Microchipping is a superior system and leaves no doubt about the identity of the dog.

Just as importantly there is a major benefit to pet dog owners if their dog is lost. Compulsory microchipping of pedigree dogs will make it easier for pounds or dog's shelters to return the dogs to their owners because they will be identified immediately and reunited with their loved ones.

This is another positive move by responsible registered breeders to eliminate unregistered puppy farmers. Microchips in registered dogs will become the expected norm, providing peace of mind for the new dog owners.

The procedure for microchipping is a simple, safe and inexpensive one. It can be done by a Veterinary Surgeon in a few seconds and lasts for the life of the dog.

Compulsory microchipping of registered pedigree dogs is another initiative by the ANKC towards standards of excellence in dog breeding and is a significant promotion of the welfare of dogs in Australia.

AS FROM JANUARY 1ST 2012 YOUR LITTER REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT MICROCHIP NUMBERS FOR EACH PUPPY

Please provide either a copy of the microchip paperwork or **attach the individual bar code stickers** to the application (Dogs SA Office require the actual number, not the barcode).

HAND WRITTEN MICROCHIP NUMBERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Members are advised to refer to ANKC regulations Part 6, Section 5, Regulation 5.3 "Effective from 1st January 2012 all pedigree dogs whelped in Australia must be microchipped prior to registration on the national database.