

# BREEDERS' CODE

## INTERMOUNTAIN KENNEL CLUB

In keeping with my dedication to further the betterment of purebred dogs, I herewith pledge to maintain the following minimum practices:

1. To maintain the best possible standards of health and care in my kennel. To adhere to all rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club.
2. To refuse to sell to or recommend unethical breeders and unethical dog wholesalers or retailers, or to sell to any buyer where I have reason to believe that the puppy or dog will not be cared for properly.
3. To refuse stud service to any bitch I consider in poor health, or unsound temperament, incapable of being registered, or having hereditary show-disqualifying faults, nor shall I use a dog at stud which I consider as having these failings.
4. To allow one repeat stud service where a bitch has failed to conceive after being bred to one of my studs, if the stud is still in good health and available, and at such time and place as mutually agreed by the owner of the bitch and myself.
5. To urge all buyers to have a puppy or adult dog sold by me examined by a licensed veterinarian within forty-eight hours of receipt.
6. To deliver or ship only puppies or adult dogs of sound health and temperament. Where the buyer or his authorized representatives did not personally see and choose the puppy or adult dog shipped by me, a period of forty-eight hours is granted to return or advise that he will return the animal promptly. Such return shipment will be at the buyer's expense unless agreed otherwise.
7. To indicate to the purchaser of a puppy, in writing and signed by both parties, whether the puppy is a show prospect or is of pet quality. Puppies that are classified as pets will be free of any defects that would keep them from being easily recognized as having the characteristics inherent to its breed and shall be free of any congenital defects that would keep it from performing, without pain or problem, its function of companion and friend.
8. To keep and pass on to the buyers of puppies or adult dogs accurate health, breeding, registration, and pedigree records. Papers may be withheld or breeder's rights retained by mutual agreement in writing.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of Husband or Wife, if Member) \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print Name, Address, and Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CONTRACT WILL RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING A POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATION OF EXPULSION FROM THE INTERMOUNTAIN KENNEL CLUB, INC.