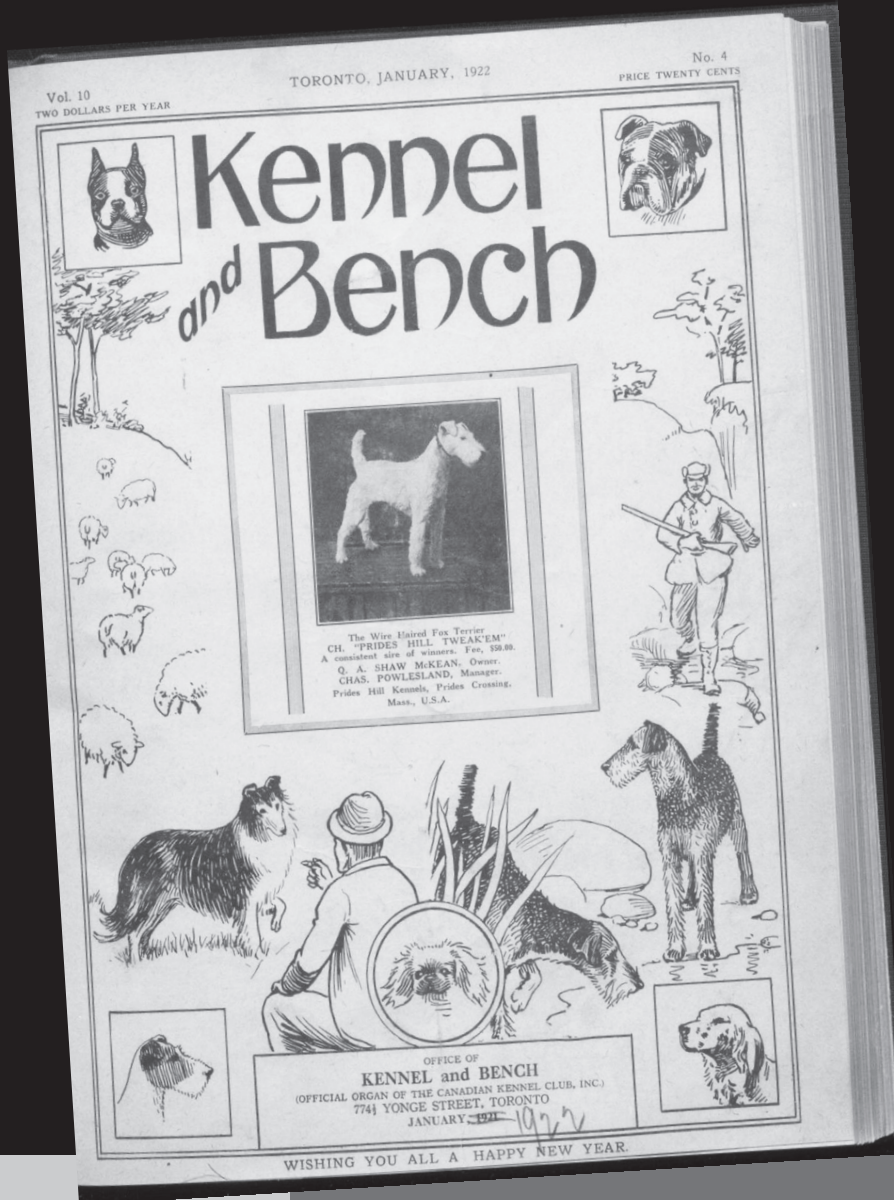




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## ROES | 45 NEWLY APPROVED | PLUS! WHAT ARE THEY AND WHY THEY MATTER

A requirement under the Animal Pedigree Act for all purebred animals under its jurisdiction, Rules of Eligibility (ROE) establish broad, key traits for each CKC recognized breed for breeding and registration considerations. ROE describe the most basic trait that, to a person with no knowledge of the breed, enable that person to identify the breed from another.

This may include size, coat colour, colour markings, coat texture/length, body, ear shape/placement, tail shape/carriage, feet, unique characteristics, and any genetic/observable variabilities.

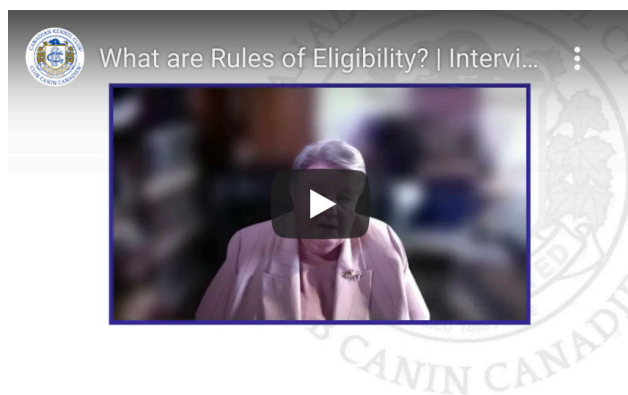
Before a few years ago, CKC had not established ROE for its breeds. Working closely with Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) for the benefit of purebred dogs and their breeders, CKC's Rules of Eligibility Committee has been working hard to rectify this.

Recently, CKC received approval from AAFC for both the 2017 and 2020 referendums, approving 45 ROE that were included. You can find all approved ROE on our website.

As of today, the ROE Committee has completed the rough draft of all recognized and listed breeds and are now actively reaching out to Breed Clubs and Breeders to review and finalize them.

Working through the remaining groups in order – Working, Terrier, Toy, Non-Sporting, Herding – after the drafts are finalized, they are included in future CKC Referendums for member voting and then sent to AAFC for final approval.

On the heels of this good news, Ian Lynch sat down with Thora Brown, Chair of the Rules of Eligibility Committee, to discuss everything to do with ROE, including when ROE came into place and why, the ROE Committee's current projects, the process for an ROE being approved, CKC members' involvement in the ROE process, and more.



## JANUARY 1ST P&P UPDATES | RE: NON-STANDARD COLOURS

In 2020 the CKC Board Of Directors appointed a Non-Standard Colours Ad Hoc Committee to examine solutions for the registration of non-standard colours in a breed.

Based on the Committee's report, the Board approved an amendment to the Policy and Procedures Manual, effective January 1, 2022, which allows for the following:

The accurate colour and pattern of the dog should be selected from the available recognized choices for the breed.

1. Where the colour and/or pattern of the dog does not conform to one of the available recognized choices for the breed, the category "non-standard colour" (NSC) should be selected, and the specific colour/pattern should be indicated in the available write-in/type-in field.
2. The CKC may request DNA parentage verification testing before registering any or all NSC dog registrations.
3. Permitted colours and patterns for a breed may be specified or restricted in the ROE for the breed. Where the indicated NSC is restricted in the ROE for the breed, a non-breeding registration will be provided.
4. Where the change of colour is to a NSC, 1-4 above will apply for the amended certificate.
5. Where the change of colour is from a NSC to a recognized choice for the breed, an examination committee may be required to make the final determination, subject to the fee set out in the Schedule of Fees available on the CKC website.

The changes listed in the amendment will vastly improve the accuracy of our registry and allow us to better understand the extent of non-standard colour registrations in breeds.

Despite non-standard colour dogs not aligning with the traditions of our breeds, and our breed standards, most still qualify for registration. As per the Animal Pedigree Act, only dogs that do not meet the established ROE are ineligible for registration. Rules of Eligibility (ROE) define the characteristics of a breed and can include colour among the characteristics. As our ROE are developed and approved by the breed clubs and members of the CKC, non-traditional colours could be specified as acceptable or unacceptable as a characteristic of the breed.

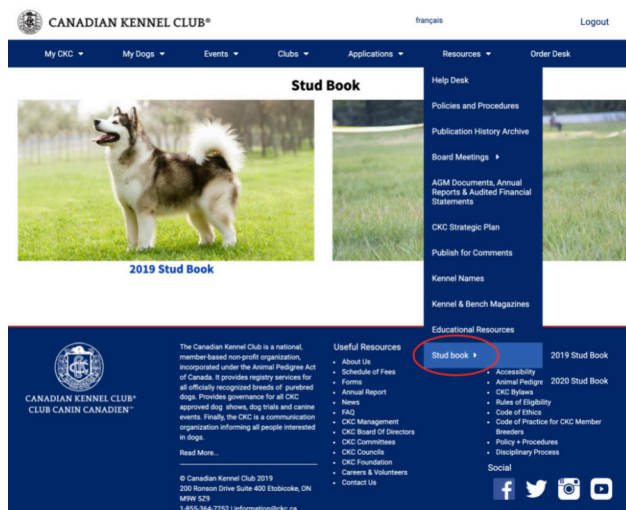
Through the Non-Standard Colours Committee, the ROE Committee, and the Board, it was determined that ROE are the only existing mechanism that could effectively address non-standard colours, while staying in compliance with our requirements for registration under the Animal Pedigree Act.

## 2019 & 2020 STUD BOOKS ARE NOW ONLINE – FOR FREE!

2019 and 2020 Stud Books are now available online, free for CKC members, through the Portal.

Accessing Stud Books Online:

1. Log in to your Portal account.
2. Click on “Resources” in the blue menu bar at the top of the page and select “Stud Books” from the list of pages.
3. On the Stud Books page, select which year you want to view from the options on the page.
4. Then select which breed you want to view the Stud Book information from the list of groups/breeds on the following page.



## BRINGING HOME TWO PUPPIES AT ONCE



Welcoming home two puppies at the same time ... Twice the love? Sure! Twice the fun? At times.

Unfortunately, it is also way more than twice the work. As bringing home two puppies simultaneously, or even within a few months of each other, is such a unique situation with its challenges, I figured it would be a good topic for a quick blog. This most commonly happens when someone purchases two dogs from the same litter (a.k.a. littermates). Still, the situation can also arise when purchasing two young puppies - similar or within a few months of age - from different litters as well.

I've raised and trained a puppy every year for the past three years, so the reality of the work involved in raising a well-adjusted puppy is crystal clear in my mind. Yes, puppies are sweet and adorable. But they are also crazy little nuts that you have to keep out of dangerous situations, teach good manners to, socialize to new people and canines, stop them from chewing on everything in sight, all while trying to remember when they last went to the bathroom (and when they will need to again), and the list goes on. It's exhausting. Now imagine that times two. Will you be able to tell who destroyed your shoes? Mischief certainly seems to double when there's a teammate. How about a wet mark on the carpet? Do you have a good enough eye to decipher which puppy peed? It's incredibly hard to keep track.

So while the idea of having two puppies at once might seem like a good idea at first glance - "The puppies will keep each other busy!", "You can put in all the work at once!" - it can quickly turn into a nightmare if not managed well.

I'm a big fan of multi-dog households. Adding a second dog to your family can be wonderful if you have the space, time, and means for more than one dog. Adding a second can allow your first dog to form a unique relationship and special relationship with their new family member, separate to the relationships it has with your family. But in most situations, the best scenario for adding a second dog to a family is after the socialization, training, and bond with your current dog is cemented.

Instead of buying two puppies at once, I suggest waiting at least 12 months after acquiring dog number one before bringing a new puppy into your home. That way, your first dog will be a great role model for the puppy. Some people have asked me what the perfect age is for the existing dog to be before getting a puppy. This is just my personal opinion based on my experience, but I think 2-3 years is ideal. The dog has matured a bit and is, depending on the breed, exiting the puppy stage by then and have the maturity to be an excellent example while still being young enough to play with an active young dog.

You develop a special bond with your puppy, especially in the first several weeks after they come home. When two puppies are bought simultaneously, they bond tightly to one another and less so to their humans. You might wonder if the same bond occurs if you bring a puppy into a home with an existing adult dog. Suppose one has an older dog in the home. In that case, the older dog generally won't be as constantly interested in the puppy as another puppy would be and are often instrumental in teaching the young dog rules of the house and manners.



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Puppies also feed off other dogs' energies. Raising two puppies at once can result both dogs ending up in states of extended arousal. I compare the experience of being a child and your cousins coming over to visit. The excitement goes on and on as little rest occurs as no one wants to nap and "miss out" on the fun.

I will say, though, that there is one situation where I wonder if it might be a good idea to raise two puppies simultaneously: Land Guarding Breeds. Although I am fascinated by Land Guarding Breeds, I know very little about their training process. So, I asked Natalie Thurman of Apex Anatolians in Montana, and Natalie told me she does not raise two puppies together. She tried once with littermates that she imported to the states, and even though she kept them separated as much as possible, there were still issues, and one had to go live on another farm with another family.

If you're already in the situation where you have brought home two puppies, it is important to know it can work out, but it will require tons of work. Make sure they are crated to sleep and while you're unable to supervise them in different rooms (floors if possible) in your home. If you have a child living at home, their bedroom might be a good space to keep one of the crates. Take the puppies on separate walks and definitely take them out for separate training sessions. Puppy training doesn't have to belong (5-10 minute sessions), but it should be daily. If you have a spouse or child old enough to walk them and follow your training instructions, these tasks will be less time-consuming. Regarding the separate training sessions, I would work with the puppies to go from training with you alone to training with human and other canine distractions to training with their littermate as the distraction.

Is getting two puppies at the same time a good idea? Probably not. Can it be done? Yes, but you're in for a lot of work. Have you raised two puppies at the same time? Let me know what worked and what didn't in the comments below!

## BORZOI



Photo: Karen Fasciano

### Strong, Graceful, and Glamorous

Before changing its name to match its country of origin about 80 years ago, North Americans called the Borzoi the Russian Wolfhound for many years. Bred by Russian aristocracy for hundreds of years, Borzoi means "fast" or "swift" in Russian.

**Fun fact: The plural noun for the breed can be either Borzoi or Borzois - Both are correct!**

Borzoi are believed to have descended from the Persian Greyhound, possibly mixed with coated sheepdog breeds to help them hunt in the cold. In a country overrun with wolves, hunting became a Russian national pastime, with large hunt kennels established by the rich. The Borzoi was the favoured dog to course wolves, as well as hare, fox, and other small animals. The Imperial Kennels of the Tsar date back to 1613, and the first standard for the breed was drawn up in 1650. Fortunately, Borzois were given as gifts and had become well established outside of their homeland before the Russian Revolution in 1917. Sadly, many were slaughtered by the Bolsheviks, who regarded them as a symbol of the aristocracy.

The Borzoi is a striking breed to behold. Quite tall, the boys are generally between 71-81 cm at the shoulder and the girls 78-76 cm at the shoulder. Their coat is short and smooth on the head, ears, and forelegs but becomes more profuse on other parts of the body. Males also carry heavier coats than females. The Borzoi's coat is a double coat and can be of any colour or combination.

While the Borzoi is definitely glamorous, this is a breed made for the hunt. From their eye set to their hare foot, wide hindquarters, and deep chests, every part of a Borzoi is built to hunt. These dogs are made to move.

On top of Borzois' noble beauty that may draw one to the breed, their personality is what keeps his fans around. Sensitive, alert, and emotionally in tune with their people, Borzois capture your heart. I've seen dignified Champion Borzois wow in the ring and then immediately become silly and mischievous once around their favourite humans. The contrast is adorable.

To learn more about the Borzoi, I contacted long-time fancier Karen Fasciano. Karen has been involved with the breed since the 1980s. Karen worked in television, and one of the shows she was a part of was called "Circus" out of CFTO-TV. One of the acts was a lady with four white Borzois who performed, riding bikes, among other things. Karen was fascinated by them. Her actual involvement with the breed was in 1983 at the Sportsman Show when she met Barb and Lloyd Allewell of Laba Borzoi, who were there with a couple of their dogs for a "Meet the Breeds" event.

Karen was immediately smitten with the Allewells' Borzois. She loved how they looked and their gentle nature. Karen, who was looking for a companion for her Afghan Hound at

the time, researched more about the breed and felt they were exactly what she was looking for in terms of temperament and suitability to her family's lifestyle. Karen went on to breed Borzois under the kennel name Quiero and welcomed her first litter in 1990.

At first glance at a Borzoi, one would know that the breed definitely needs a great deal of exercise, but Karen explained to me that Borzoi are rather unique in the way they go about getting their steps in. Karen lives on 30 acres with several acres fenced in. With multiple dogs together, they tend to exercise themselves by running, playing, and chasing one another. Borzoi generally have the "zoomies" in the morning for a couple of hours, where they go out and zoom around with each other until they get tired. Then they come in and pretty well sleep most of the day until late afternoon/early evening when they go out and have the zoomies again. Borzoi absolutely must be in a fenced area as they are sighthounds, so if they see something moving, they want to chase it. Instinct takes over, and they are gone.

I asked Karen if Borzoi shed. She told me, "Borzoi constantly blow coat. To live with a Borzoi is to live with hair everywhere. The females [sic] are the worst as they blow coat big time about three months after their season, with some girls almost going down to the skin. The hair that is left is quite coarse, but when it comes back in, it is very plush and soft. The boys blow coat twice a year and, after losing their puppy coat, never lose as much. I have been able to show my boys out of coat, whereas it was impossible with my girls. Grooming is a must when they are blowing as the coat will mat up quite easily at this time. When they aren't shedding, you just have to give them a quick brush and make sure they are mat-free behind the ears and between the legs with the boys."

Borzoi can participate in conformation, obedience, lure coursing, and agility, and the newer activities open to all breeds, like barn hunt, chase ability, rally, and more. They are not known to be exceptional obedience dogs which stands to reason when one considers that they were bred to run and chase, not come and stay. They will do it - but on their terms.

Even though their breed standard states that Borzoi are reserved with strangers, this isn't the case with Karen's Borzoi. "I guess my dogs have never met a stranger as they are all outgoing and friendly, but they are socialized so much that I believe they have adapted. I wouldn't consider them an ideal children's dog based on size alone. They play very rough, and I have had my share of black eyes and bruises from playing with them. When Borzoi play, they run straight at each other and veer at the last moment. Kind of like a game of chicken. They play the same with people, but our reaction is to jump out of the way, which is the worst thing you can do. Children can easily get knocked over. The breed is also sensitive to pain which could create problems with children unknowingly hurting them." So it's best to keep Borzoi with older children.

I also asked Karen how they are with other dogs. "In the past, I have found some of my Borzoi to be rather snobbish with other breeds and tend to be more comfortable with other sighthounds. Being at shows a lot more, though, I have found they can be quite accepting of other breeds if introduced early. I have a friend who regularly visits for extended periods with three Miniature Wire-haired Dachshunds, and my dogs are great with them. At first, I was worried that they might accidentally hurt them when playing, but it is amazing how gentle they are."

Borzoi are generally quite healthy. Like many other deep-chested large breeds, though, bloat is a concern.

When I asked Karen who an ideal owner for a Borzoi she said, "For me, an ideal owner is one who understands that this is a powerful prey-driven breed that was originally bred by the Russian Tsars for hunting. They are not just a pretty fashionable breed, as one would think based on the Louis Icart paintings of beautiful women and Borzoi. You will have to deal with eating, sleeping, and breathing fur 24 hours a day and ensure that they have adequate grooming and exercise, so a fenced area is necessary. They prefer to be up on a sofa or your bed. The males, in particular, need to know right from the start that you are alpha. If you can deal with that, then you will discover the breed is wonderful to live with. They are clean by nature and are so loving to their owner. I can't imagine my life without one."

**The Borzoi might be the breed for you if you:**

- Like a quiet dog with a relaxed and gentle nature.
- Want a fast dog. Borzoi can reach speeds up to 60 kilometers an hour!
- Have a secure fenced yard.
- Have space in your home, car, and couch for a large breed.
- Understand sighthound behaviour and personality.

**The Borzoi might not be the breed for you if you:**

- Want a dog you can take off-leash anywhere.
- Are strongly opposed to having dog hair on your clothes and furniture.
- Can't provide a safe space to let a Borzoi run.
- Don't want to speak to strangers. (Everywhere you go, everyone will have questions about your Borzoi!)

*This blog would not have been possible without help from lifetime CKC member Karen Fasciano. Karen has loved and been loved by Borzoi since 1983. She has formed relationships with breeders across Europe (especially France) and imported Borzoi to Canada, which has helped bring her vision of the breed to life. Thank you for all your help and continued dedication to the Borzoi Karen.*

# APPEAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The following is a report of the decisions reached by the Appeal Committee at its meeting held on November 26, 2021.

**Appellant:** Lucy Bender, Ottawa, ON  
(CKC Member)

**Respondent:** CKC

**Registration Committee's Findings:**

Denied Lucy Bender's request to provide a Certificate of Registration for female Chow Chow, Eastern-Magic Flowers In The Valley, aka FaFa, to Ms Bender as the sole owner.

**Appeal Committee's Findings:**

Allowed the appeal in its entirety and directed that the decision of the Registration Committee be quashed. Therefore, the registration for female Chow Chow, Eastern-Magic Flowers In The Valley, aka FaFa, is to be registered without the signature of the importer.

**Appellant:** Roxanna Hamilton, 100 Mile House, BC  
(CKC Member)

**Respondent:** CKC

**Executive Director's Findings:**

Roxanna Hamilton be suspended of the privileges of the Club for a minimum period of 90 days and continuing until such time as she provides a duly transferred certificate of registration to Darcie Murray for the dog sold to her as purebred. Alternatively, if at some time in the future, Darcie Murray is provided with the opportunity to register the dog at her own expense, Roxanna Hamilton will remain suspended until such time as she reimburses Ms Murray for the costs she incurs to effect registration and transfer of ownership. Furthermore, administrative costs for the investigation and hearing were levied in the amount of \$150.00.

**Appeal Committee's Findings:**

Dismissed the appeal and directed that the decision of the Executive Director stands. Therefore, Roxanna Hamilton is suspended of the privileges of the Club for a period of 90 days commencing December 15, 2021. Furthermore, administrative costs are due forthwith.

**Appellant:** Leanna Mottus, Edmonton, AB and  
Elyse Fernets, Calgary, AB  
(CKC Member)

**Respondent:** Poul and Moriane Kirby-Green, Acampo,  
CA USA  
(CKC Member)

**Registration Committee's Findings:**

Denied Leanna Mottus' and Elyse Fernets' request to accept the Certificate of Semen Collection to support the registration of a litter without the signature of one of the co-owners of the frozen semen.

**Appeal Committee's Findings:**

Allowed the appeal in its entirety and directed that the decision of the Registration Committee be quashed. Therefore, the litter application for Pug puppies whelped on June 25, 2020, from *Diabolbric's Goodbye Kiss, 1142713*, and sired by *Xoe's Oscar De La Hoya, TG170202*, be registered without Poul Kirby-Green's signature on the Certificate of Semen Collection.

**Appellant:** Alena Reimer, Victoria, BC  
(CKC Member)

**Respondent:** CKC

**Discipline Committee's Findings:**

Alena Reimer's CKC membership be terminated for a period of five (5) years and administrative costs for the investigation and hearing be levied in the amount of \$250.00. In addition, Alena Reimer be deprived of the privileges of the Club for a period of five (5) years and additional administrative costs for the investigation and hearing be levied in the amount of \$250.00.

**Appeal Committee's Findings:**

Allowed the appeal in its entirety and directed that the decision of the Discipline Committee be quashed.



# CANADIAN KENNEL CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

## Who We Are

The Canadian Kennel Club (CKC) is the primary registry body for purebred dogs in Canada and currently recognizes 187 breeds. As a non-profit organization, the CKC is dedicated to encouraging, guiding, and advancing the interests of purebred dogs and their responsible owners and breeders in Canada and promoting the knowledge and understanding of the benefits which dogs can bring to Canadian society.

The CKC is incorporated under Animal Pedigree Act, a federal statute under the auspices of the Ministry of Agriculture. The organization includes approximately 20,000 individual members and over 700 breed clubs across Canada. The Club registers purebred dogs, regulates dog shows and performance events, and speaks out on major issues concerning dog ownership and the health & welfare of dogs across Canada.

## Mission

As the prime registry of purebred dogs in Canada, our purpose is to serve our members and the public with education, support, guidance and sanctioning of events for all their canine endeavours. Our goal is the preservation of purebred dogs and the health, well-being and enjoyment of all dogs.

## Vision

The CKC with its members, will be the definitive authority in Canada for purebred dogs, and an advocate for all dogs, setting the standard for the preservation of breeds and continuous improvement of health, wellbeing and enjoyment of purebred dogs.

## Values

**Passion:** We are dedicated to purebred dogs with the belief in the value of dogs as an integral part of our lives, our society and the contributions dogs brings to our humanity.

**Preservation:** We are committed to the preservation of breed characteristics while producing healthy well-socialized dogs, with a commitment to continuous improvement and well-being of purebred dogs.

**Knowledge:** We educate and expand public awareness of the contribution purebred dogs bring to society. This includes the vast array of activities and opportunities for purebred dog enthusiasts... as well as a commitment to the principles of responsible breeding practices and responsible dog ownership.

**Commitment:** We protect and enhance the interests of our members, breeders, associated clubs and the public, supporting them with openness, honesty and compassion.

**Integrity:** We uphold the integrity of our registry, the high standards of governance and management of the Canadian Kennel Club.

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