

RCKC Code of Ethics

- 1. I will consider the welfare of my dogs above personal gain or profit.*
- 2. I will maintain the best possible standards of sanitation, health, and general care for my dogs.*
- 3. I will comply with all American Kennel Club rules and regulations.*
- 4. I will attempt to always exhibit good sportsmanship and conduct myself in a manner representative of the principles upon which this club is founded. I will not speak unjustly of others in the Breeds, nor of their dogs, nor of their kennels.*
- 5. I will pledge to help educate the public in the Standards of the AKC breeds and will help the novice whenever I can with grooming, training, breeding, and general care.*
- 6. As a breeder, I will attempt to breed for the improvement of the Breed as exemplified by the AKC Standard of the Breed.*
- 7. I will refuse stud service to any unregistered bitch, to any bitch I consider in poor health, of unsound temperament, or having physical limiting hereditary faults.*
- 8. In cases where a dog's or puppy's health or confirmation are unknown to be such as to indicate that breeding of that animal would be detrimental to the welfare of the Breeds,*
- 9. I will exercise discernment in withholding papers or retaining breeder's rights, or sell only under the condition that the dog be spayed or neutered by mutual written agreement.*
- 10. I will fairly represent to the purchaser any stock offered for sale, and will not use misleading or untruthful statements in selling or advertising. The use of sales contracts is recommended to cover any guarantees and agreements relative to the sale with signed copies to each party involved.*
- 11. I will not knowingly sell or donate dogs or puppies to commercial dog wholesalers or retailers, or unethical breeders, nor will I sell to any buyers where I have reason to believe that the puppy or dog will not be properly cared for. Further, I will not sell to anyone in litter lots for resale, nor will I solicit litters for resale.*