

CAVALIER KING CHARLES SPANIEL CLUB OF CENTRAL ARIZONA, INC.

CODE OF ETHICS AND GUIDELINES

The Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Central Arizona, Inc. is a club composed of members devoted to the continued betterment of the breed. The focus of our club will be public education, breeder education, providing cavalier rescue, sponsoring health clinics, putting on dog shows (one of the main purposes of AKC) and promoting responsible dog ownership.

The Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Central Arizona, Inc. hereby sets forth the following Code of Ethics and Guidelines it believes are important to the general conduct of its members, the breeding of Cavaliers, and the care and transfer of puppies and dogs.

General Conduct of Members

1. As a CKCSCCA member, I will maintain accurate, complete, and up-to-date records in accordance with AKC Rules and Regulations.
2. I will always strive to show consideration and good sportsmanship to others, both inside and outside of the show ring.
3. I will never commit slander or libel against another member, nor will I maliciously degrade another members Cavaliers, kennel, or practices.
4. I will never knowingly sell or supply Cavaliers for auctions, raffles, pet shops, pet shop wholesalers, or brokers. I will also never sell or supply Cavaliers to any individual that I suspect of such activity. I will never sell puppies in litter lots or broker puppies in any way.
5. I will never knowingly supply a stud service to a pet shop or wholesaler, nor to an individual known to sell to pet shops or wholesalers.

Breeding

1. As a CKCSCCA member, I will seek to do selective breeding with the intent of enhancing the soundness and improving the quality of Cavaliers. I will never cross breed.
2. When owning a brood bitch, I will neither breed her before she reaches the age of fourteen months nor before her second season, and only then if she is sufficiently mature and in excellent health. I will not allow a bitch to whelp more than two litters in three consecutive seasons, nor allow a bitch to carry to term and rear more than 5 litters in her lifetime or after the age of eight years, whichever comes first.
3. Puppies not sold as a show/breeding prospect shall be sold or placed with a spay/neuter agreement or with a limited registration. This concept shall be relayed to any person using a member's stud dog.
4. As a stud dog owner, I will only use my dog on bitches I feel are an asset to the breed, and whose owners agree to conform to this Code of Ethics.
5. As a stud dog owner, I will offer assistance to the owner of the bitch in the placement of any resulting puppies if necessary.
6. As a CKCSCCA member, I am strongly encouraged to have heart, eye, hip, and patella health clearances prior to breeding any bitch or dog. I will also encourage all other Cavalier owners to take advantage of such testing.

Care and Transfer of Puppies and Dogs

1. I will never allow a puppy to be released to a new home prior to 10 weeks of age.
2. I will be available to take back or help re-home any puppy that I have bred should it become necessary.
3. I will be available for ongoing consultation regarding the care and proper training of any puppy.
4. I will make sure that each of my puppies, upon release to the new owners, be accompanied with a pedigree showing at least 3 generations, and signed by me as the breeder.
5. I will make sure that each of my puppies, upon release to the new owners, be accompanied with membership forms for the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Central Arizona, Inc.

Violations of any portion of this code may result in discipline as prescribed in Article VI of the Constitution and By Laws of The Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Central Arizona, Inc.

The foregoing Code of Ethics have been received and reviewed by me. Upon acceptance as a member of the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Central Arizona, Inc., I will adhere to the rules and guidelines set forth in this Code of Ethics.

Signed

Date

Printed Name