

Rule 15

GENERAL CODE OF ETHICS

CLUB MEMBERS

All members of Manchester & Counties Bulldog Club undertake to abide by its General Code of Ethics and will:-

- 1.** Will properly house, feed, water and exercise all dogs under their care and arrange for appropriate veterinary attention if and when required.
- 2.** Will agree without reservation that any veterinary surgeon who performs an operation on any of their dogs which alters the natural conformation of the animal, or who carries out a caesarean section on a bitch, may report such operations to the Kennel Club.
- 3.** Will agree that no healthy puppy will be culled. Puppies which may not conform to the Breed Standard should be placed in suitable homes.
- 4.** Will abide by all aspects of the Animal Welfare Act.
- 5.** Will not create demand for, nor supply, puppies that have been docked illegally.
- 6.** Will agree not to breed from a dog or bitch which could be in any way harmful to the dog or the breed.
- 7.** Will not allow any of their dogs to roam at large or to cause a nuisance to neighbours or those carrying out official duties.
- 8.** Will ensure that their dogs wear properly tagged collars and will be kept leashed or under effective control when away from home.
- 9.** Will clean up after their dogs in public places or anywhere their dogs are being exhibited.
- 10.** Will only sell dogs where there is a reasonable expectation of a happy and healthy life and will help with the re-homing of a dog if the initial circumstances change
- 11.** Will supply written details of all dietary requirements and give guidance concerning responsible ownership when placing dogs in a new home.
- 12.** Will ensure that all relevant Kennel Club documents are provided to the new owner when selling or transferring a dog, and will agree, in writing, to forward any relevant documents at the earliest opportunity, if not immediately available.
- 13.** Will not sell any dog to commercial dog wholesalers, retail pet dealers or directly or indirectly allow dogs to be given as a prize or donation in a competition of any kind. Will not sell by sale or auction Kennel Club registration certificates as stand alone items (not accompanying a dog)
- 14.** Will not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed nor falsely advertise dogs nor mislead any person regarding the health or quality of a dog.

Breach of these provisions may result in expulsion from club membership, and/or disciplinary action by the Kennel Club and/or reporting to the relevant authorities for legal action as appropriate.