

French Bulldog Fanciers of Canada Code of Conduct



This Code is established in accordance with the objective of the French Bulldog Fanciers of Canada (“FBFC”) as set forth in the Club Constitution. The primary goal and objectives of the FBFC is to protect and secure the wellbeing of the French Bulldog. By signing it the applicant agrees to adhere to high standards of behaviour in canine matters having to do with buying, breeding, selling, exhibiting and owning French Bulldogs.

All members agree to abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the FBFC and all rules set forth by the Canadian Kennel Club (“CKC”) (<http://www.ckc.ca/en/Files/Legal-Policy-and-Procedures/Code-of-Practice-English-April-2012>) and the requirements of the Animal Pedigree Act (<http://www.agr.gc.ca/eng/industry-markets-and-trade/statistics-and-market-information/by-product-sector/animal-genetics/animal-pedigree-act/?id=1382649715170>).

All members agree to keep only as many dogs for which they can provide a high standard of healthcare, shelter, nutrition, attention, affection and overall care, without jeopardizing the dogs’ quality of life. If problems arise that impair the ability to maintain this high quality of life for the dogs (loss of employment, illness, etc) the member will take immediate steps to ensure the well-being of the dogs.

All members agree to provide appropriate training, exercise and supervision to ensure their dogs are well mannered, kept in safe conditions, and are not abused or neglected.

All members agree not to allow their dogs to roam at large unsupervised, nor to become a public nuisance or a public burden.

All members of the FBFC will endeavour to enhance the role of the French bulldog in society as an essential member of its communities where it functions as a companion dog and above all man’s best friend.

In order to preserve and enhance the breed’s characteristics, the FBFC supports and encourages participation at shows, trials, and other events.

All members whether they be exhibitors, handlers, judges, assistants or spectators will participate in such activities with honesty, fairness and integrity ever mindful of Good Sportsmanship.

All members agree to display good sportsmanship and conduct their behaviour in such a manner as to reflect credit upon the FBFC and the French Bulldog breed at all times.

All members agree to refrain from unnecessary and unconstructive criticism of another’s dog and from personal attacks upon fellow members at dog events, through social media or other forms of communication.

All members agree to use respect and dignity when communicating with, or about their fellow members. Any differences of opinions will be discussed in a professional manner, privately between the affected members and in an appropriate venue. Members can agree to disagree, but those differences shall be kept between those members.

All members agree to bring up any grievances or concerns about other members, the club or its executive through the proper channels. Members are encouraged to contact their regional directors for assistance in bringing these matters to the executive and discussing things in an open and transparent way. These

matters will always be documented in the minutes of the meetings. In the event that the grievance involves the member's regional director, contacting another director is appropriate.

All members shall not engage in hearsay or accusations not based on first hand verified knowledge.

All members shall not make any public statements regarding another member, directly or indirectly by innuendo. Grievances and disciplinary matters shall be conducted as outlined in the Club's constitution and by-laws.

All members agree to undertake the task of educating and encouraging all newcomers to the world of the French Bulldog no matter their interest: pet-owner, exhibitor or breeder.

Breeding:

All breeder members agree to support the Canadian Breed Standard recognized by the CKC as guideline for their breeding program so as to only produce litters of puppies which are eligible for registration with the CKC and/or with other kennel clubs recognised by the CKC.

All breeder members agree to only breed dogs that are NOT any of the disqualifying colors.

All breeder members agree to adhere to the CKC By-laws, Code of Practice for CKC Members Breeders and Animal Pedigree Act.

All breeder members agree to keep accurate breeding records, registration papers and pedigrees.

All breeder members agree to furnish accurate records to each buyer of all shots and wormings, pedigree, and CKC registration or transfer documents, unless written agreement is made at time of sale that papers will be withheld.

All breeder members agree to have all services and sales agreements, mutually agreed upon, stated in writing, and signed by all parties involved. Contracts covering the sale of intact male dogs should include language prohibiting the sale of the dog's frozen semen at auction by the buyer of the dog.

All breeder members agree to maintain the best possible standards of canine health, cleanliness and care.

All breeder members agree to conduct all advertising in an honest manner that will not, in any way, misrepresent, defraud, or mislead.

All breeder members agree to offer only dogs for stud or bitches for breeding that are in good health and free from communicable diseases and disqualifying genetic faults.

All breeder members agree not to breed any stud dog to any bitch whose owner is directly involved with any puppy wholesalers, retailers or puppy broker, puppy mill, litter lot sales or any other commercial enterprise whose business is involved in like activities.

All breeder members agree not to sell or donate dogs to commercial dog wholesalers, retailers, puppy dealers or brokers, nor to offer as prizes in contests, raffles, auctions or fundraising events. All breeder members agreed to report to the CKC any breeders that they know of who does.

I realize that, as a member of the French Bulldog Fanciers of Canada, I am required to abide by the above code of conduct or any amendments thereof at all times, and that my failure to do so may result in my loss of membership and club privileges.