



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FRENCH BULLDOG CLUB

CODE OF ETHICS

The purpose of the NCFBC Code of Ethics is to ensure that every member acts in the best interest, and future of the breed.

1. I have an obligation to protect the interests of the French Bulldog and the NCFBC. I will at all times conduct myself in a manner that reflects positively upon the breed and the NCFBC.
2. I will not engage in misleading or false advertising or discourse regarding other owners, breeders, breeding practices, dogs that are not my own, and judges, etc. I will show good sportsmanship at all times, and to the French Bulldog fancy in particular. I will at all times be honest and conduct myself with integrity.
3. I will maintain a high standard of health and care for my French Bulldogs.
4. I will comply with the AKC, French Bulldog Club of America, and NCFBC rules and regulations to ensure the preservation of the breed.
5. I will offer assistance and advice to less experienced fanciers in a helpful and courteous manner, and will respond willingly and truthfully to all questions from the public on the standard and care of the French Bulldog.
6. I will never engage in wholesaling litters, individual sales, or consignments to pet stores and catalogues! I will not donate dogs for prizes, contests, raffles, auctions, fund raisers, or to commercial enterprises, or to those persons that do, or give stud service to the same, no matter how charitable, or on-line.

ENFORCEMENT AND DISCIPLINE

1. It is the obligation of any member observing an act that violates the NCFBC Code of Ethics to submit a written, signed complaint to the NCFBC Board of Directors within 30 days of such observation.

2. The Board will review the written complaint and notify the accused in writing that a complaint has been filed. The accused will be given a copy of the written complaint.

3. The Board will appoint a Board member(s) or other NCFBC member(s) in good standing to investigate the complaint. The investigator(s) must file a report with the Secretary of the NCFBC within 30 days of receipt of the complaint.

4. If the Board determines that the evidence warrants further investigation of the complaint, the accused will be given at least 3 requests to respond to the board. The accused must respond in writing to the Secretary of the NCFBC within 14 days of the final request. If the accused chooses not to respond or cooperate with the Board, the Board will consider the charges as made, and will document these proceedings for the permanent record, and the Board will no longer consider the accused “a member in good standing”.

5. Members not in good standing will not be allowed to:
 - a. Vote.
 - b. Hold office.
 - c. Serve on NCFBC committees.
 - d. Advertise in the NCFBC Newsletter, Regional Specialty catalogue, or National Specialty catalogue.
 - e. Participate in the breeder referral program.

6. All individuals involved in the complaint, including the Board members, the accused, and person filing the complaint, will maintain confidentiality with respect to all matters involved in the inquiry.

My signature below represents that I agree to this Code of Ethics, and that I understand that my acceptance of this Code of Ethics, and signature, subjects me to the provisions and procedures as stated.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

