

THE LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB, INC. BREEDERS DIRECTORY PROGRAM

The Labrador Retriever Club, Inc. (LRC) offers its members the opportunity to be listed in a Labrador Retriever Breeders Directory. This directory is posted on its website at www.thelabradorclub.com for use by and distributed to prospective puppy buyers and others interested in acquiring or breeding a Labrador Retriever.

- To apply for enrollment, a Labrador Retriever breeder must have been an LRC member-in-good-standing for at least two years. Spouses who are not LRC members cannot be listed in the Breeders Directory.
- The listing fee is \$60 and will be renewable every other year on the enrollment anniversary date.
- The member should list activities for only those areas in which he or she is active and can offer knowledgeable information that will be helpful to novices; or areas in which his or her dogs have proven abilities. The breeder should be fair and open in their dealings with prospective buyers.
- The member shall agree to screen all breeding stock for heritable diseases and use only those dogs in their breeding program that have received the appropriate clearances as listed below in the LRC Breeders Code of Conduct.
- By signing this application, the member acknowledges and agrees to abide by both the goals of The Club as stated in Article 1, Section 2 and 3 of the LRC Constitution; and the LRC Breeders Code of Conduct. Both references follow:

LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB, INC. CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 2 AND 3

“The goal of the Club shall be to encourage and promote quality in the breeding and performance of pure-bred Labrador Retrievers and to do all possible to bring their natural attributes as working retrievers to perfection. In furtherance of its goal the Club will:

- (a) encourage the organization of independent local Labrador Retriever clubs to promote performance and conformation events;*
- (b) encourage members and breeders to accept the Standard of the breed as approved by The American Kennel Club as the standard of excellence by which Labrador Retrievers shall be judged;*
- (c) seek to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at field trials, hunting retriever tests, obedience trails and conformation events;*
- (d) conduct, sponsor and encourage on behalf of the Labrador Retriever breed events including field trials, hunting retriever tests, obedience trials and conformation events under the rules of The American Kennel Club.”*

LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB, INC. BREEDERS CODE OF CONDUCT

1. The breeder shall recognize that the breed has an original form and function as a working gun dog.
2. The breeder shall recognize that temperament is a hallmark of the breed and shall never condone aggressive behavior.
3. The breeder shall have been actively involved in the breed for a minimum of five (5) years and belong to at least one (1) other American Kennel Club (AKC) recognized dog club.
4. The breeder shall offer information on health issues facing this breed—hip dysplasia, elbow dysplasia, eye diseases, seizures, heart diseases, neuromuscular disorders, etc., and the uncommon occurrence of aggressive behavior.
5. The breeder shall screen all breeding stock for heritable diseases and use only those dogs in their breeding program that have received the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) Canine Health Information Center (CHIC) registration number for clearance given at or after 24 months of age for Hip and Elbow Dysplasia; CHIC clearance within one year of breeding for Ocular Disorders; Exercise Induced Collapse (EIC) DNA evaluation; D Locus Dilute Gene DNA evaluation. The Breeding bitches and stud dogs should continue to have an annual ACVO eye exams for late onset hereditary eye disease. The Exercise Induced Collapse (EIC) test is a CHIC requirement, but the bitch or dog does not have to be clear to be included in the breeding program. In addition, it is highly recommended that the LRC member breeder screen breeding stock for Centronuclear Myopathy (CNM), Progressive Rod-Cone Degeneration (PRCD) and Cardiac conditions.
6. The breeder shall provide pedigree information and health reports confirming the hip, eye and elbow status of their dogs.
7. The breeder shall screen all buyers for their ability and intent to properly care for a dog.
8. The breeder shall provide a written contract outlining the terms and duration of any guarantees or restrictions on the use of the dog.
9. The breeder shall insist on the right of first refusal if the original owner wishes to re-home the dog.
10. The breeder shall define the use of “Limited Registration” and sell all puppies on limited registration or a spay/neuter agreement unless specific written requirements are met.

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APPLICATION

Member Name _____

Kennel Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

Phone Number(s) For Listing: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

E-mail _____ Website _____

Other AKC Club Membership(s) _____

Have you ever been disciplined by AKC? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, please attach full statement of event & discipline.

List Activities (Agility, Conformation, Field Trials, Hunting Tests, Nose Work, Obedience, Rally, Search/Rescue, Service/Therapy, Tracking)

1st _____ 5th _____

2nd _____ 6th _____

3rd _____ 7th _____

4th _____ 8th _____

Coat Colors: Black? Yes ___ No ___ Chocolate? Yes ___ No ___ Yellow? Yes ___ No ___

Written Guarantee? Yes ___ No ___ Stud Service available? Yes ___ No ___ Years active with Labrador Retrievers _____

List Health Clearances and/or Certifications on breeding stock (OFA-Hips/Elbows/Eyes/Patellas, EIC, D Locus Dilute Gene, CNM, CARDIAC, PRCD, HNPk, OPTIGEN, PENNHIP, etc.)

The LRC assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of the information submitted and provides no endorsements for dogs, individuals or kennels. Rather, LRC educates the buyer by presenting with the Breeders Directory adequate informational material imparting the appropriate questions to ask when contacting reputable breeders.

By signing this application, I state that I have read and acknowledge the conditions for enrollment in the LRC Breeders Directory; The LRC Goals; and The LRC Breeders Code of Conduct; and agree to abide by this criteria.

Signature _____ Date _____

Approved By _____ For Enrollment Period _____ Date _____

Please fill in ALL sections of the application form (except for approval line) and mail it with the two-year payment of \$60 to:
LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB, Inc.
P.O. Box 5423
Oroville, CA 95966-0423