



# Lost Dutchman Kennel Club, Inc.

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An Arizona Not-for-Profit Corporation  
Licensed by the American Kennel Club, Inc.  
Member, Apache Junction Chamber of Commerce

## Membership Application and Code of Ethics

The Lost Dutchman Kennel Club, Inc. is a working kennel club and members are encouraged to participate in club functions. The purpose of the club is:

- To further the advancement of all breeds of purebred dogs.
- To do all in its power to protect and advance the interest of all breeds of purebred dogs and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at dog shows and obedience trials.
- To conduct sanctioned matches, dog shows and obedience trials under the rules of The American Kennel Club.

In keeping with the club's purpose, members are expected to promote the sport of dogs in a positive manner in both club sanctioned events and in personal activities. While membership is to be unrestricted as to residence, the club's primary purpose is to be representative of the purebred dog owners, breeders and exhibitors in the Greater Apache Junction area. It is highly recommended that prospective members attend club meetings to get acquainted prior to submitting an application for membership.

Members must be in good standing with the American Kennel Club, Inc. and subscribe to the club's stated purpose. The types of memberships for persons who are age 18 or over include:

- Single: Enjoys all club privileges including the right to vote and hold office.
- Family: All persons in the household enjoy all club privileges including the right for each person 18-years-old and over in the household being entitled to one vote each for up to two total votes per household.
- Associate membership is open to persons who wish to support the work of the club but do not wish to be voting members.

Youth membership is open to any person who is under 18-years-old. Youth members pay dues and enjoy all club privileges except the right to vote. They they are eligible to serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Directors.

Membership applications must have the signatures of two current club voting members in good standing (these cannot be persons residing in the same household). Membership applications must include payment for dues in order to be considered. Applications will be read at the first general meeting of the club after receipt of the application and dues by the secretary. A second reading will occur at the next general meeting and an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting shall be required to accept the applicant.

**Dogs . . . our loves . . . our lives . . . our friends . . . our responsibility.**  
**Lost Dutchman Kennel Club . . . serious about responsibility!**

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## CODE OF ETHICS

All members and associates of the Lost Dutchman Kennel Club, Inc., will adhere to the CODE OF ETHICS adopted by the membership. Payment of dues will be deemed evidence of acceptance of the CODE OF ETHICS which states:

1. **RECORDS.** Record keeping will comply with the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club, Inc. (AKC).
2. **BREEDING.** Breeding canines are selected for conformation, temperament and potential for contributing to the betterment of breeds. Only purebred canines that are registered with a formerly recognized breed or all breed registry will be used for breeding.
3. **SALES.** Canines will not be sold to sources of commercial distribution such as, but not limited to, pet stores, wholesalers, pet dealers or brokers, and catalogue houses. Canines will not be supplied for raffles, "give-away" prizes or similar fund-raising projects.
4. **ADVERTISEMENT.** Oral and/or written advertisement of canines will be factual both in substance and implication. It will be limited to the dog fancier's canines and will in no way degrade the canines of others.
5. **HOUSING OF CANINES.** Canines will be kept under sanitary conditions, afforded health care and protection and transported in a safe manner.
6. **MEMBER RELATIONS.** Each member or associate will be obligated to protect the interests of the club and purebred dogs in a manner reflecting the interests of the club and purebred dogs in a manner reflecting credit upon the individual, the sport of purebred dogs and the club.

The Board of Directors will adopt a procedure for review of violations of the CODE OF ETHICS and this procedure will be guided by the following policies:

- no anonymous complaints will be considered;
- no complaint will be considered unless it is reported in writing to the Board designated recipient within fourteen (14) calendar days of the infraction;
- sanctions imposed may include: cancellation of membership or associate status for an indefinite or specified period; cancellation or suspension of the privilege to participate in club activities and sponsored events for an indefinite or specified period; written reprimand and/or verbal reprimand;
- in no case will membership dues and/or any participation fees, or any portion thereof, be refunded to an individual whose membership and/or participation privileges is/are rescinded; and,
- the decision of the Board of Directors in the review of a complaint is final.

~Adopted 9/21/92; revised 1999; must appear on the back of membership applications~

*~ Please retain this copy for your records. ~*



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## Membership Application

Please print or type. Incomplete applications and/or those received without dues will be returned.

Name		Occupation
Mailing Address		
City, State & 9-digit Zip Code		
E-mail Address	Area Code & Phone Number	
Pager or Message Phone		
<i>If applying for Family membership, complete the following information for the second voting member in the household.</i>		
Name		Occupation
E-mail Address	Area Code & Phone Number	
Pager or Message Phone		

Dog Breeds Owned	
If registry other than AKC, list the registry	Are you a former member of this club?
Circle all that apply: Breeder Owner Exhibitor Judge Steward	Yes No If yes, date
Circle each area of special interest	Conformation Obedience Agility Herding Coursing Tracking Earthdog
Circle areas of interest for volunteering	Judge at Matches Instructor Serve on Committees
List other dog-related and general areas of interest including leadership roles in dog clubs/civic groups.	

Circle category of membership	Single-\$15.00 Voting	Family-\$20.00 Voting	Associate-\$13 Non-voting	Youth-\$10 Non-voting
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Membership Pledge: I agree to abide by the policies, Code of Ethics and Constitution and Bylaws of the Lost Dutchman Kennel Club, Inc. and the rules of the American Kennel Club, Inc. I will be an active member, participate on committees, attend meetings regularly, and make a sincere attempt to advance, protect and improve the interest of purebred dogs. By signing this application, I demonstrate my agreement to these terms and to acceptance and willingness to adhere to the club's Code of Ethics and Purpose (which appear on the back of this application). I certify that I am in good standing with the American Kennel Club, Inc.. My signature acknowledges that I have received a copy of the Code of Ethics and Purpose.

I understand that membership runs from January 1 to December 31 and becomes due and payable on January 1 of each calendar year. Approval of two-thirds of the membership is required for acceptance.

Date	Signature
Date	Signature

**SPONSORS' STATEMENT:** To the best of my knowledge, the applicant(s) will benefit from membership in the club and will contribute to its goals and purpose

Sponsor #1	Date	Sponsor #2	Date
Signature		Signature	

Mail dues payment and completed application to:  
 Lost Dutchman Kennel Club, Inc.  
 PO Box 588  
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 Please allow 90 days for processing.

For Club Use	Date Received	Dues Amount	Payment Type	First Vote	Second Vote	Disposition

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