

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
NEW ENGLAND ROTTWEILER FANCIERS, INC.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home phone number: _____ E-mail: _____

Kennel name: _____

Can the above information be published in our yearly directory? _____

May our newsletter be sent to you by e-mail? _____

1. Have you ever owned a Rottweiler? _____

2. Rottweiler(s) owned at the present time (List names(s), title(s), registration number(s))

3. Are you in any way affiliated with: pet stores ____, grooming shops ____, training schools ____, guard dog instructions ____, puppy referral service ____, professional handler ____, or other _____

4. List all of your dog club affiliations, both in the United States and other countries with offices held, in any, _____

5. Do you intend to exhibit your Rottweiler in: Breed ____, Obedience ____, Agility ____, Therapy work ____, Tracking ____, Schutzhund ____, Search and Rescue ____, Personal protection ____, Carting ____, Other _____

6. Type of Membership: Individual (\$25.00) _____ Family (\$30.00) _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: NEW ENGLAND ROTTWEILER FANCIERS, INC.

7. I/we agree to abide by the Principles and Practices as stated on the back of this application.

Signed: _____ Signed: _____

Please secure the signatures from **TWO** N.E.R.F. members for sponsorship:

Signed: _____ Signed: _____

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION WITH CHECK TO:

Roberta Foley, Treasurer
P.O. Box 65
Readville, MA 02137

Date received: _____

Announced: _____

Approved: _____

NEW ENGLAND ROTTWEILER FANCIERS, INC.

INTRODUCTION: The Rottweiler is above all a working dog and must exhibit the temperament, intelligence, and structure of a working companion. The physical appearance should be as described in the AKC standard.

1. Study and strive to conserve and improve the breed in structure, temperament, and working ability, never sacrificing one for the others.
2. Breed only AKC registered dogs and bitches which are OFA-certified. All dogs should be tattooed and/or micro-chipped in an individual and identifiable manner before having hips x-rayed. Breed only dogs and bitches of stable temperament with no disqualifying faults according to the AKC Rottweiler Standard (entropion, ectropion, undershot, overshot, wry mouth, two or more missing teeth, unelateral cryptorchid, or cryptorchid males, long coat, and base color other than black, or a total absence of markings).
3. Offer at stud, with a contract, only mature (two years of age or older) healthy dogs with normal hips, free of communicable diseases, having none of the above disqualifying faults. Refuse stud service to any bitch not meeting the same requirements.
4. Breed only bitches two years of age or older with normal hips, in good health, free of communicable diseases, having none of the above disqualifying faults, to not more than one stud dog at any one season, and not more than two out of three seasons consecutively. Plan all litters with the goal of improving the breed.
5. Maintain the highest possible standards of health, cleanliness, and care of breeding stock, with all sold guaranteed to be in healthy condition, including adequate protection against diseases.
6. Choose names for AKC registration which do not use prefixes or kennel names associated with other recognized breeders of Rottweilers in the U.S., Canada, Germany, or any other foreign country, unless written permission is obtained from the original user of the name.
7. Sell all dogs with a written contract. Keep and pass on to buyers accurate health, breeding and registration records and pedigree records of at least four generations. Registration papers may be withheld or breeder's rights retained only by mutual agreement in writing, signed by both parties. Urge that all Rottweilers not purchased as show and breeding stock be made incapable of reproducing, and urge that registration papers be withheld until a veterinarian's certificate is received as proof of sterilization.
8. Evaluate honestly, according to the AKC standard, and state clearly to the buyer, the quality of any Rottweiler sold. All advertising should be honest and informative and should in no way misrepresent the stock offered. Prices should be based on individual merit.
9. Sell only to responsible persons and refuse to knowingly deal with unethical breeders, pet shops, wholesalers, catalog houses, or their commercial sources. Rottweilers should not be given as prizes in contests, nor should the breed be exploited in any detrimental manner.
10. Encourage working titles to retain breeding stock's correct working temperament; show future breeding stock in the ring, keeping in mind that the purpose of such shows is to improve the breed by objective evaluation of the animals in competition according to the Breed Standard.
11. Observe the highest standards of sportsmanship and good will at shows, obedience and schutzhund trials, and at any other event involving Rottweilers. Assist all newcomers to the breed so that they may be guided in the ways that can best conserve and improve the Rottweiler.

AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW ENGLAND ROTTWEILER FANCIERS, INC., I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THAT I SHALL BE EXPECTED TO ABIDE BY THE ABOVE STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES IN ALL WAYS.