

# Royal Kennel Club General code of ethics

All breeders who register their puppies, and new owners who register ownership of their dogs with the Royal Kennel Club, accept the jurisdiction of the Royal Kennel Club and undertake to abide by its general code of ethics.

## Breeders/owners:

1. Will properly house, feed, water and exercise all dogs under their care and arrange for appropriate veterinary attention if and when required.
2. Will agree without reservation that any veterinary surgeon who performs an operation on any of their dogs which alters the natural conformation of the animal, or who carries out a caesarean section on a bitch, may report such operations to the Royal Kennel Club.
3. Will agree that no healthy puppy will be culled. Puppies which may not conform to the breed standard should be placed in suitable homes.
4. Will abide by all aspects of the Animal Welfare Act.
5. Will not create demand for, nor supply, puppies that have been docked illegally.
6. Will agree not to breed from a dog or bitch which could be in any way harmful to the dog or to the breed.
7. Will not allow any of their dogs to roam at large or to cause a nuisance to neighbours or those carrying out official duties.
8. Will ensure that their dogs wear properly tagged collars and will be kept leashed or under effective control when away from home.
9. Will clean up after their dogs in public places or anywhere their dogs are being exhibited.
10. Will only sell dogs where there is a reasonable expectation of a happy and healthy life and will help with the rehoming of a dog if the initial circumstances change.
11. Will supply written details of all dietary requirements and give guidance concerning responsible ownership when placing dogs in a new home.
12. Will ensure that all relevant Royal Kennel Club documents are provided to the new owner when selling or transferring a dog, and will agree, in writing, to forward any relevant documents at the earliest opportunity, if not immediately available.
13. Will not sell any dog to commercial dog wholesalers, retail pet dealers or directly or indirectly allow dogs to be given as a prize or donation in a competition of any kind. Will not sell by sale or auction Royal Kennel Club registration certificates as stand alone items (not accompanying a dog).
14. Will not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed nor falsely advertise dogs nor mislead any person regarding the health or quality of a dog.

Breach of these provisions may result in expulsion from Club membership and/or disciplinary action by the Royal Kennel Club and/or reporting to the relevant authorities for legal action, as appropriate.



## Royal Kennel Club

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## Form 5

# Application for the registration of a dog on the Activity Register



For dogs and their owners who enjoy taking part in  
agility • canicross • flyball • heelwork to music  
obedience • rally • working trials



Royal Kennel Club

We would like to thank you in advance for applying to register your dog on the Activity Register.

By registering with us, you and your dog will be able to compete in fun activities such as agility, canicross, flyball, heelwork to music, obedience, rally and working trials.

The Activity Register is open to all dogs, of which over half are crossbreeds and working Sheepdogs, however there are lots of other breeds registered from Chihuahuas through to Great Danes! If you would like to find out more about how you can get involved or where to find an upcoming event, visit: [royalkennelclub.com/events-and-activities](http://royalkennelclub.com/events-and-activities)

Once your dog is registered on the Activity Register you will receive a certificate with all your dog's details printed on it.

The Royal Kennel Club website is full of helpful information on how to get started in different activities with your dog.

[royalkennelclub.com/events-and-activities](http://royalkennelclub.com/events-and-activities)

Once you have chosen the activity you would like to get started in, then use our Find a Club service to find a training club local to you. [royalkennelclub.com/find-a-club](http://royalkennelclub.com/find-a-club)

## Petlog

Petlog is the UK's largest database for microchipped pets.



Petlog is managed by the Royal Kennel Club and has been in operation for over 20 years, securely holding over 10 million pet keeper details.

As your dog will already have been microchipped to enter the UK, it is important that you register their details with a government-compliant database. Petlog provides you with complete support to help you be reunited with your pet should the worst happen and they go missing in the UK.

To find out more about Petlog, please visit:

[petlog.org.uk](http://petlog.org.uk)  
or call +44 (0)1296 336579

## Affiliate Membership - £30

Become a Royal Kennel Club Affiliate today!

Becoming an affiliate can be a rewarding and productive way of contributing to the Royal Kennel Club's overall aim to promote in every way the general improvement of dogs. You will also receive some great benefits.

As a Royal Kennel Club Affiliate you will receive:

- A monthly subscription to the Kennel Gazette worth £60
- The Royal Kennel Club Year Book
- Printed copy of the Royal Kennel Club annual report
- A loyalty card - receive exclusive discounts on Royal Kennel Club merchandise, publications and tickets for Crufts



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# A guide to help you complete the registration of a dog on the Activity Register

The owner who wishes to register a dog on the Activity Register should complete this form and send to the Royal Kennel Club.  
To complete your application online go to: [royalkennelclub.com/registrations](http://royalkennelclub.com/registrations)

## 1 Applicant and additional owners

All registered owners of the dog should include their name on this application and all owners will be recorded and printed on any publications and documents relating to the dog. The applicant is the person who is applying for the registration either as the sole owner or in partnership with additional owners. The address stipulated on this application should be the address where the dog resides. As such, any documentation will be sent directly to this address.

In the case of joint ownership, you, as the applicant of this application will act as the point of contact in regard to matters pertaining to the Royal Kennel Club.

However, any additional owners will also be able view the dog's information if they sign up for an online account. Please note, in the case of joint ownership, any other joint owners of the dog must include their title, first name/initials, surname and unique email address in the additional owner section. The declaration must be signed by all registered owners of the dog.

## 2 Dogs details

Guidelines for naming dogs (please read carefully)

- A name must consist of more than one word but not exceed 24 letters (including kennel name)
- A name which conflicts with an approved current kennel name granted to another person will not be accepted
- A registered name cannot be repeated on the Activity Register
- The surname of the breeder/current owner is not acceptable
- A word cannot be repeated when applying to register more than one dog
- If a kennel name is to be used, the kennel name must appear as the first word in the name if named by the breeder. If you are not the breeder of the dog, or the breeder of both the parents, the kennel name must appear as the last word of the name
- Numbers in figures and initials are not acceptable. Abbreviations may be disallowed
- Canine terms are not permissible e.g. 'dog', 'bitch', 'kennel', 'Champion', 'Crufts' and specific names of breeds

The Royal Kennel Club reserves the right to refuse any name, which it considers inappropriate or offensive. The Royal Kennel Club retains the right to request a fresh name for any dog after the registration has been accepted, in the event of a complaint being lodged with the Royal Kennel Club which is upheld.

### The breed of the dog

The name of the breed should be included in this section. If the dog is not purebred, please enter crossbreed. A dog will only be registered as its breed name if it is recognised by the Royal Kennel Club or by a club with which we hold a reciprocal agreement. The Royal Kennel Club will not accept breeds, which are registered under the Dangerous Dogs Act (1991) or the Wild Animal Act (1976).

## Endorsements

The registered owner of a dog may, whilst the dog is still in their physical ownership, apply to have the following endorsement placed on the dog:

### R Progeny Not Eligible for Registration

Applicants wishing to endorse any dog should make themselves aware of the complete regulation contained in the Royal Kennel Club Year Book, including the need to obtain written and signed confirmation that the prospective new owner is aware of the endorsement.

### Sire details

If the sire is registered with the Royal Kennel Club or any other recognised body, please include the sire's registered name and registration number. If the sire is not registered, please include the sire's pet name if known.

### Dam details

If the dam is registered with the Royal Kennel Club or any other recognised body, please include the dam's registered name and registration number. If the dam is not registered, please include the dam's pet name if known.

## 3 Type of activity to be registered under

The types of activities that a dog can participate in if registered on the Activity Register are: agility, canicross, flyball, heelwork to music, obedience, rally and working trials.

More than one activity can be registered per dog.

## 4 The breeder(s) name and address

In cases where the parentage of the dog to be registered is known, the breeder(s) (the person who bred the dog/bitch) must sign the form. Alternatively, the application should be accompanied by a photocopy of a signed pedigree from the breeder. Please note: If the breeder's signature or pedigree is not supplied, the parentage will be entered as unknown.

In the case of joint ownership, all parties must sign.

## 5 Fee

The Activity Register application fee is £21.00.

## 6 How to pay

Once you have completed this form, please send it together with the appropriate fee and, if relevant, any photocopies to the address at the bottom of the page.

## Notes:

- The Royal Kennel Club reserves the right to reject any application to register a kennel name or transfer any dog or to change or cancel or suspend any registration and may cancel or suspend any registration or transfer or grant of a kennel name already made. The acceptance of a registration is not a guarantee of its accuracy.
- When submitted, this form remains the property of the Royal Kennel Club.
- If your dog is already registered on the Royal Kennel Club Breed Register, it is not necessary to also apply for registration on the Activity Register, as your dog is automatically eligible to compete in all activities.
- If both parents of your dog are on the Breed Register you should apply to have your dog added to the Breed Register with the exception of ISDS registered dogs which may be registered on either the Breed or Activity Register (subject to Royal Kennel Club Regulation B4a). For further information please contact 01296 318540.
- After registering on the Activity Register, this dog will be accepted for agility, canicross, flyball, heelwork to music, obedience, rally and working trials. It does not qualify for entry on the Royal Kennel Club Breed Register or to compete in field trials, Gundog working tests, Bloodhound trials and breed shows (except companion shows).
- After registering on the Activity Register, its progeny may not be registered on the Breed Register.
- The data and health screening results connected to your dog will be published and used for registration and publication in relevant Royal Kennel Club documentation as well as included in the Health Test Results Finder and Mate Select calculations. The data may also be used for research (statistical purposes) and shared with trusted and reputable partners for the sole purpose of undertaking research to improve dog health and welfare.
- The full Royal Kennel Club rules and regulations are contained in the Royal Kennel Club Year Book.
- Check breed-specific information on any breeding restrictions at [royalkennelclub.com/breeds-a-to-z](http://royalkennelclub.com/breeds-a-to-z)
- To view details on the Royal Kennel Club's privacy policy please visit [royalkennelclub.com](http://royalkennelclub.com)

## Check list

- Have you completed all sections required?
- Have you checked all parties have signed the declaration?
- Have you selected the activity your dog should be registered under? (More than one activity can be registered per dog).

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