



Canadian West Highland White Terrier Club

Code Of Ethics – Member-Breeder

A. All members are encouraged to promote the breeding of purebred Westies. Breeders of the West Highland White Terrier (herein referred to as “WHWT”) will be familiar with the Canadian Kennel Club (herein referred to as “CKC”) rules governing recordkeeping, registrations, sales, and transfers of dogs and will abide by these rules. Any warranties/contracts pertaining to the sale of a dog will be put in writing with copies for the buyer, seller and CKC, if applicable. In addition, once a decision has been made to produce a litter the following must occur:

1. All litters will be registered with the CKC, and each puppy individually registered.
 2. New owners will receive a CKC registration within the CKC time limit (6 months).
 3. The breeder may provide a written health guarantee against genetic or congenital defects.
- B. Breeders will give serious thought regarding the health of their dogs / bitches prior to breeding’s such as:
1. The females age: the expectation being not prior to 14 months nor past the age of 7 years.
 2. No female will be successfully bred more than 2 out of 3 cycles.
- C. If a pup is sold with a known health problem full disclosure of same will be shared with the buyer at the time of purchase. The sale will be conditional that the dog not be bred and a CKC non-breeding contract will apply.
- D. All breeding will be planned to improve the breed. All breeders will be familiar with the standard and do everything to discourage breeding from inferior animals such as exhibiting serious hereditary defects, unsound temperaments, or poor health.
- E. If a Westie produces offspring with birth defects or hereditary problems from litters by three different mating partners, the breeder will refrain from further use of this animal for breeding.
- F. No breeder/member will breed a bitch unless s/he has the time and facilities to provide care, nutrition, and veterinary attention for the physical/emotional development of the dam and puppies.
- G. No breeder/member will sell or transfer any puppy or adult to a pet store, catalogue house, commercial breeder (including puppy mills) or wholesale dealer. They will also refuse to provide stud service to any person engaged in the foregoing transactions.
- H. The breeders will have a lifelong commitment to the puppies, stand behind the quality and health of their puppies and provide support to the new owners. If an animal becomes involved with a recognized rescue facility, the breeder will take responsibility for that animal either physically and/or financially.
- I. Breeder/members will ensure that all advertising is factual. Misleading or unfounded implications or criticism of others will not be tolerated.
- J. Complying with the 5 basic clauses of the members Code of Ethics.

Enforcement

Enforcement of the above Code of Ethics will be as per determined in article 10 of the Constitution of the Canadian West Highland White Terrier Club.

It is understood that having read and signed the Code of Ethics, you are willing to abide by its principles. Failure to do so could result in dissolution of your membership by the Board of the CWHWTC.

The Agreement

I / We agree to abide by:

- (1) the Constitution & By-Laws and Code of Ethics of the CWHWTC; and
- (2) the Code of Ethics & Rules of the Canadian Kennel Club.

Signed at _____ on _____.

Town/City/Province

Date (Month/Day/Year)

Signature of First Applicant

Signature of Second Applicant