



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA PUG CLUB
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

All items must be completed. Mark "NA" for those not applicable

** Incomplete applications will be returned **

Applicants must be at least 18 years old, and each member of a household must complete their own application

****PLEASE PRINT IN INK OR TYPE****

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Occupation _____ Work Phone _____

Pug Information:

Owner _____ Number of Pugs currently owned? _____ Number of years in Pugs? _____

Exhibitor _____ Conformation _____ Obedience _____ Agility _____ Rally _____

Breeder _____ Breeding experience: (I have / have not) had a litter.

How many litters have you registered? _____

Do you have a kennel name? Yes No If yes, what is it? _____

Is it registered? Yes No

General Information:

• Are you now, or have you ever been suspended from the privileges of the AKC? Yes ___ No ___

If Yes, When and Why? _____

• Have you been a NCPC Member before? Yes ___ No ___ If Yes, what year (s)? _____

• Have you ever been suspended from NCPC Membership? Yes ___ No ___

If Yes, When and Why? _____

• Have you ever applied to this or any Pug Club for membership and been denied? Yes ___ No ___

If Yes, When and Why? _____

• Are you now, or have you ever been a member of any Dog Club? Yes ___ No ___

If so, please state names of clubs, dates of membership, offices held:

• Are you an AKC approved Judge of any Breed? Yes ___ No ___ if yes, please list dates and breeds:

- Please provide the names of several people identified with our Breed with whom you are acquainted:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- How do you plan to help the Breed and the Club? Briefly describe your interest in Pugs and your reasons for seeking NCPC Membership: _____

- I hereby apply for “Regular” or “Associate” membership (*check one*) in the Northern California Pug Club, certify that I am at least 18 years old; and if accepted, I agree to abide by the Club’s By-Laws, Code of Ethics, the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club, and the AKC Code of Sportsmanship.

- I have read, signed and enclosed a copy of the NCPC Code of Ethics.

- I have enclosed my first year’s membership dues.

*Note: Club dues are twenty five dollars (\$25) per person per year for regular membership and twenty dollars (\$20) per person per year for associate membership. **Your first year’s dues payment must accompany this application.** New members who have paid dues during the last quarter of the year will be credited for a paid membership for that quarter and the next year. Otherwise, annual dues are payable on January 1st of each year.*

Applicant’s Signature _____ Date _____

Please make checks payable to “NCPC”

Mail your payment and application to:

**Jim Williams – NCPC Membership Chairman
6216 Radiant Drive
San Jose, CA 95123-4852**

<u>FOR CLUB USE ONLY</u>	
Date Rec’d	_____
Amount of Check	_____
Check #	_____
Date to Treasurer	_____
Date Approved	_____

Code of Ethics

Purpose

This Code of Ethics is established for the members for the Northern California Pug Club to promote ideals and principles necessary to maintain and protect the Pug breed. Members who violate this code may be subject to the provisions of Article VII of the Northern California Pug Club Bylaws.

Member Sportsmanship and Conduct

- Members shall refrain from making derogatory or disparaging remarks on social media regarding the Club's Bylaws, conduct of the Club Officers and Board of Directors, individual Club members and dogs they bred or own, Club activities, or any other member of the dog fancy community. Social media examples include, but are not limited to, any Facebook posts, Twitter, or Community Blogs in the dog fancy.
- It is expected that any comments made on social media referring to the Northern California Pug Club or its individual members and dogs bred or owned by them will be made in a sensible, responsible and respectful manner.
- Resolving disputes between individual Club members or the Northern California Pug Club itself should be conducted privately amongst the concerned parties and not on social media.
- NCPC Officers and members are expected to conduct themselves and any disputes or grievances they may have in a manner that reflects the AKC Code of Sportsmanship at all times when commenting on social media.
- Each member shall at all times display good sportsmanship and conduct. Whether at home, traveling, at shows or motels, they will treat all present, including other NCPC members, competitors, judges, officials and spectators, with respect and courtesy.
- No member shall engage in false advertising.

Member / Pug Owners or Exhibitors

- Each member shall be familiar with and observe the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club. No member shall have surgery performed on any Pug to alter cosmetic features to serve the purposes of exhibition.
- Each member shall be familiar with the Pug Standard as approved by the PDCA and The American Kennel Club.
- Each member should be aware at all times that the Club exists to protect the breed.
- Each member should know that our Code of Ethics is more than a set of rules. It is a commitment to a high standard of practice in owning and breeding Pugs.
- No member shall EVER sell or donate dogs for auctions or raffles, or to pet shops, catalog houses, brokers or for resale purposes. No member shall rely on Pug Rescue organizations to take responsibility for their dogs except for in emergencies. Pug Rescue should be a last resort.
- Members shall at all times consider the health and wellbeing of their dogs. All pugs should be maintained in a clean, comfortable and healthy environment, with proper socialization, diet, exercise and veterinary care.

Member / Pug Breeders

- Breeders shall be familiar with AKC rules concerning record keeping, registration, sale and transfer of dogs, and abide by these rules.
- Breeders shall use stock of characteristic type, exhibit soundness, stable temperament, be in good health and condition and be free of communicable diseases and serious genetic defects.
- Breeders do not breed just for the pet market and believe the only justifiable reason to breed is to improve the breed. Pugs sold as pet quality are to be sold with limited registration and spay / neuter requirements, unless to do so might be medically advised for an individual dog.
- Breeders shall provide with each Pug sold: diet and care information, immunization, health record which shall disclose any known health issues, three generation pedigree, registration application or transfer (when applicable), and will strive to help with problems and provide information throughout the dog's life.
- Breeders shall place puppies in good homes and understand they are responsible for dogs they have bred for the dog's entire life and are responsible to take these dogs back if the need arises.

Conclusion

- Nothing in this Code of Ethics should be construed to be in violation of the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club or the Bylaws of the Northern California Pug Club. Each member must accept the responsibility to protect the interests of our breed by conducting themselves in a manner designed to reflect credit on themselves, the Pug breed and the Northern California Pug Club.
- In accepting membership in the Northern California Pug Club, I agree to be bound by this Code of Ethics.
- I understand that my knowing violation could result in action under the rules of the Northern California Pug Club.
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Applicant's Signature _____

Print Name _____

**THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR APPLICATION AS A
"REGULAR" CLUB MEMBER ONLY**

CLUB ACTIVITIES

To apply for Regular membership you must attend one Club meeting and either work at one NCPC function or attend a second meeting; all within one year of submitting your application for membership. You must sign the meeting roster sheet.

Date of first meeting attended: _____

Date of second meeting or NCPC function worked: _____

If you worked at a function, please complete the following:

1) Job done: _____

2) Person who assigned the job to you: _____

SPONSORS

(TWO NCPC MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING MUST SIGN EACH APPLICATION)

The following "regular" members of the NCPC are sponsoring me for membership and have attached or forwarded their letter of recommendation:

Sponsor's Signature

Sponsor's Signature

Print Sponsor Name

Print Sponsor Name

Letters of recommendation from the above sponsors must be submitted either with the application or received by the Membership Chairman within 30 days from the postmarked date of the application.

Please Note: An application for "regular" membership will be read at the first Club meeting following its receipt. The applicant's name and sponsors' names will then be published in the next NCPC Newsletter indicating that he/she has applied for regular membership in the Club. Following the publication of a prospective member's information in the Newsletter, their application will be voted upon by secret, written ballot at the next scheduled Club meeting. Affirmative votes by 3/4 of the Regular members present and voting at that meeting shall be required to approve the application.