



## Squaw Peak Akita Club PROCEDURES FOR MEMBERSHIP'

1. Complete membership application and submit along with your check for dues. If application is rejected dues will be refunded.
2. At first meeting following receipt of application, the application will be reviewed (first reading).
3. At second meeting application will again be reviewed (second reading) at which time a vote will be taken and a decision made for acceptance into the club.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND AT LEAST ONE OF THE ABOVE 2 MEETINGS.

4. Notification by mail will inform you of membership acceptance or rejection.

8. Anyone with breeding problems or complaints shall be encouraged to seek the advice and help of the Club. The novice breeder should be encouraged to seek help or information from experienced breeders. All breeders will assist a distressed breeder who has complied with this Code.

9. All breeding stock should be OFA certified clear prior to breeding (OFA minimum age is 24 months), in order to implement the eradication of the problem of hip dysplasia from the AKITA breed OFA numbers shall be kept on file with the Squaw Peak Akita Club of Phoenix Breeders Service and published periodically.

Bitches should be allowed to rest between breedings. The general health and well-being of a bitch shall determine whether the period between breedings-should be extended. This Code does not inhibit the responsible AKITA breeder from experimentation. but the breeder shall refrain from experimentation when it is statistically clear that hereditary problems are unlikely to be overcome. **THE BREEDER MUST ACCEPT FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIS ACTIONS**, and be fair and ethical about the sale of puppies from experimental matings. The buyer must be informed of the experiment and of any undesirable characteristics that may become manifest.

10. Members should not engage in libelous or slanderous remarks, or conduct themselves in a manner which will reflect unfavorably on the Squaw Peak Akita Club of Phoenix or the AKITA breed. Good sportsmanship in the show ring or in the field should be the hallmark of the AKITA fancy. All members shall strive to help educate the public in the temperament characteristics, care, the Standard of the AKITA breed, and in all other areas where qualified. I have read and understand the integrity of the Squaw Peak Akita Club of Phoenix Code of Ethics, and agree to adhere to it to the best of my ability, knowing that any violation of this Code may result in loss of all Squaw Peak Akita Club of Phoenix privileges.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE (S): \_\_\_\_\_