



# Doberman Pinscher Club of the Tappan Zee

## Application for Active Membership

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Application for membership must be accompanied by a check made payable to DPCTZ in the amount of \$20 for individual membership or \$30 for family membership.

*~~ Please return this application to the club secretary ~~*

Marylyn DeGregorio, 303 Chatterton Pkwy, Hartsdale, NY 10530

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Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature indicates applicant has read and subscribes to the DPCA Code of Ethics attached**

Are you in good standing with the AKC? Yes  No

Interests and Abilities you can contribute: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Endorsement

**This application must be signed by two currently active DPCTZ members in good standing.**

**I endorse the application of \_\_\_\_\_ for membership in the DPCTZ.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name Signature of DPCTZ Member Date

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name Signature of DPCTZ Member Date



## **DPCA CODE OF ETHICS**

(Adopted by the Board of Directors 1980, Revised 1982, 1993, 1998)

This Code is established in accordance with the objectives of the Doberman Pinscher Club of America as set forth in Article I, Section 2 of the Club Constitution and is presented as a guideline for the use of DPCA members when buying, breeding, selling and exhibiting Doberman Pinschers. It is intended to set forth minimum standards of practice to which the DPCA would have its members adhere as they strive to accomplish the goals and purposes set forth in the Club Constitution. Violators of the DPCA Code of Ethics may be subject to action under DPCA grievance and charge procedures.

1. All members shall abide by the constitution and by-laws of the Doberman Pinscher Club of America and the rules of the American Kennel Club.
2. Members are advised to keep accurate breeding records, registrations and pedigrees; further they should maintain the best possible standards of canine health, cleanliness and care.
3. All services and sales arrangements should be mutually agreed upon, stated in writing and signed by all parties involved, including all adjustments, replacement conditions, etc. DPCA members are encouraged to support and conduct only ethical trade practices.
4. All advertising should be honest and not in any way misrepresentative, fraudulent, or misleading.
5. DPCA members are encouraged to support the efforts of the DPCA relative to health issues concerning the breed, and to have their dogs tested with respect to health disorders known to affect the breed.
6. Stud dogs should not be bred prior to one (1) year of age and should be in good health and free from communicable diseases and disqualifying faults. It is the DPCA's position that stud owners are responsible for puppies produced by their studs, and it is therefore recommended they verify the bitch owner is a responsible owner and breeder. Any bitch accepted for stud service should be at least 18 months of age, in good health and free from communicable diseases and disqualifying faults. All breedings that occur should be done with the intention of the preservation and betterment of the breed, taking into consideration matters of structure, health and temperament, as well as the ability of the breeder to be responsible for the puppies produced.
7. No stud dog should be bred to any bitch whose owner is directly or indirectly involved with any puppy broker, puppy mill, pet shop, litter lot sales, or any other commercial enterprise whose business is involved in like activities.
8. No bitch should be bred more than once a year without first obtaining veterinary certification that such a breeding is medically appropriate, nor prior to one and one-half (1 ½) years of age, nor after eight (8) years of age without veterinary certification. Each bitch to be bred should be in good health and free from communicable diseases and disqualifying faults. Breeders of litters are responsible for the puppies produced by their bitches. Therefore it is recommended that the breeders verify that the purchasers of puppies will be responsible owners who will provide proper homes and care. All breedings that occur should be done with the intention of the preservation and betterment of the breed, taking into consideration matters of structure, health and temperament, as well as the ability of the breeder to be responsible for the puppies produced.
9. No bitch should be bred for commercial reasons.
10. No Doberman Pinscher will be sold to commercial facilities, businesses or agents thereof.
11. Each member should honestly evaluate the structural and mental qualities of all Doberman Pinschers sold, and fairly represent that evaluation including results of any temperament testing.
12. Prices of Doberman Pinschers should be based upon individual quality. Members should maintain prices so as not to be injurious to the breed. When appropriate, some animals should be sold on limited registration or with written agreement to have the animal altered and papers withheld pending alteration.
13. At the time of sale, members should furnish records to each buyer of all shots and wormings, pedigree and AKC registration or transfer documents, unless written agreement is made at time of sale that papers are being withheld.
14. All members should conduct themselves at all times in such a manner as to reflect credit on the sport of purebred dog showing and Doberman Pinschers in particular. This includes respect for the show site, convention and overflow facilities, and all other aspects of responsible dog ownership.