



# Midland Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club

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## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I / We wish to become member(s) of the above club. I/We apply for election and agree to abide by the rules of the Club, and adhere to the 'Code of Ethics' as in force at the date of the application, or as subsequently amended at a General or Extraordinary meeting of the Club.

(Print in Block Capitals Please)

CANDIDATE'S NAME (IN FULL) .....

\*Mr/Mrs/Master/Miss

ADDRESS.....

POST CODE:..... TEL. No. ....

E-MAIL ADDRESS .....

PREFIX .....

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT(S) .....

Attach details of your Association to this breed.

PROPOSER and SECONDER must of been FULLY paid up members of the above Club for a minimum of two years.

SIGNATURE & PREFIX OF PROPOSER.....

Printed Name of Proposer in Block Capitals .....

SIGNATURE & PREFIX OF SECONDER .....

Printed Name of Seconder in Block Capitals.....

SUBSCRIPTION - JOINT £7.00 SINGLE £5.50 JUNIOR £2.50

*(Junior Membership is mandatory under the age of 16)*

JOINING FEE - £2.00

PLEASE NOTE that Annual Subscriptions are due on 1st January. Members unpaid on 31st March may be dropped from membership and the £2.00. Rejoining fee must be paid before rejoining.

I/WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, DECLARE THAT I/WE HAVE READ THE CODE OF ETHICS (PRINTED ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM) AND UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THESE RULES MAY RESULT IN EXPULSION FROM THE CLUB.

SIGNED .....PROPOSER/SECONDER.....

Print Name.....Print Name.....

Date of Application..... Date of Election.....Signed .....

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BOTH KNOWN THE APPLICANT.....

## CODE OF ETHICS

Members of the Midland Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club are expected to:

### **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. Also they will provide protection from preventable diseases.
2. Will agree without reservation that any veterinary surgeon performing an operation on any of their dogs which alters the natural conformation of the animal, may report such operation to the 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 re-homing 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 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. The relevant documents include all details of inoculations, worming regime and a copy of the puppy's pedigree.
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 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.
15. **Abide by the Rules of the Midland Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club and the Kennel Club.**
16. **No claims to be made about future prospects of puppies when advertising or selling (such as "Show quality"), without a clear definition of what is meant by the terms used.**
17. **Be familiar with the Breed Standard and not exhibit at shows Cavaliers which have been changed in appearance by artificial means. This means NO artificial colouring of coat or pigment or trimming of the coat.**
18. **Keep accurate breeding records, registration papers and pedigrees.**
19. **Only use Cavaliers which are registered with the Kennel Club for breeding.**
20. **Conduct themselves at all times in such a manner as to reflect credit on the ownership of Cavaliers in particular, For example, misuse of any media, written or electronic, by publishing details of, or commenting on dogs, clubs or other people without specific permission could be considered to discredit Cavaliers.**
21. **ALL surviving puppies to be registered with the Kennel Club by the time they are twelve months of age.**
22. **No puppies to be passed to the new owner under eight weeks of age.**
23. **All stock must be healthy at the time of sale and to have been checked for hereditary and other health problems with the prospective purchaser being given full access to the results.**
24. **Any stock with a known hereditary fault should have a restricted registration certificate to prevent it being bred from.**
25. **Stud dog owners must see the bitch's pedigree and registration certificate to check ownership, age, endorsements and should try to ascertain number of litters, number of pups and when she last had a litter.**
26. **Breeding terms only to be taken on with either a Kennel Club Loan of Bitch Agreement or a written contract, and both parties must have a signed copy of said agreement and have full knowledge of what it entails.**
27. **No member should take on more dogs than they can care for and keep in a healthy environment.**
28. **DOGS TO BE USED AT STUD**  
**No dog with a known physical defect, which could be detrimental to the health and wellbeing of the puppy, to be used at stud.**  
**Any dog which is to be used at stud to be vaccinated, annually checked for good health and be in good condition at the time of every mating.**  
**Stud dog owners are advised to see the bitch's pedigree and registration certificate to establish ownership, age and endorsements. The number of litters, number of puppies and when she last had a litter should also be ascertained. It is advisable that a bitch should have a full health check before mating and stud dog owners should assure themselves that this has taken place and is satisfactory.**  
**Stud dog owners must be aware of the risk of cross infection and allow sufficient time between mating to different bitches to minimise the risk. If less than 48 hours the owner of the bitch should be informed of the previous mating.**
29. **BITCHES TO BE USED FOR BREEDING**  
**No bitch with a known physical defect, which could be detrimental to the health and wellbeing of the puppy, to be used for breeding.**  
**No bitch to be mated so as to whelp before she is 16 months old and then only if she is considered mature enough to raise a litter of puppies.**  
**No bitch to be mated so as to rear a litter after her eighth birthday (as K.C. Code).**  
**No bitch should normally rear a litter on consecutive seasons and in any case must have no more than two litters in any two years.**  
**No bitch to be allowed more than 6 litters in her lifetime. (See K.C. Code).**  
**No bitch to be allowed more than 2 Caesarian sections, as this would indicate whelping difficulties.**  
**Any bitch which is to be used for breeding to be vaccinated, annually checked for good health, be free from any infection and be in good condition at the time of the mating.**
30. **OWNERS**  
**Owners of stud dogs must only allow their dogs to be used if they are confident that their stud dog meets the criteria stated and the bitch to be mated meets the criteria specified for bitches.**  
**Owners of bitches must only mate them if they are confident that their bitch and the prospective stud dog meet the criteria stated above.**  
**Once a mating has taken place, the owners of the bitch have a responsibility for the good welfare of the puppies, and as such have an obligation to help the new owners if requested to do so. Stud dog owners also have a moral obligation for the welfare of the puppies.**

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

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