

G.M.D.F. CODE OF ETHICS

- (1) MEMBERS WILL ABIDE BY THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE G.M.D.F. AND BY THE RULES OF THE CANADIAN KENNEL CLUB.
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- (3) MEMBERS WILL KEEP ACCURATE BREEDING RECORDS, REGISTRATIONS AND PEDIGREES, AND MAINTAIN THE BEST POSSIBLE STANDARDS OF CANINE HEALTH, CLEANLINESS, AND CARE.
- (4) ALL ADVERTISING WILL BE HONEST, AND NOT IN ANY WAY MISREPRESENTATIVE, FRAUDULENT OR MISLEADING.
- (5) SUPPORT THE WELL BEING OF THE BREED BY SUPPORTING RESEARCH INTO AND MAKING USE OF AVAILABLE TESTING FOR HEALTH DISORDERS DIRECTLY RELATING TO THE DOBERMAN PINSCHER.
- (6) DOGS OFFERED AT STUD SHOULD NOT BE BRED **PRIOR TO ONE (1) YEAR OF AGE**, OR **AFTER TWELVE (12) YEARS OF AGE**. THEY SHALL BE IN GOOD HEALTH, FREE FROM COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND GENETIC OR DISQUALIFYING FAULTS. STUD DOG OWNERS ARE AS RESPONSIBLE AS THE BITCH OWNERS FOR THE PUPPIES PRODUCED BY THEIR DOGS. THEREFORE IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THEY VERIFY THE BITCH IS AT LEAST ONE AND A HALF (1 1/2) YEARS OF AGE, IN GOOD HEALTH AND FREE FROM GENETIC FAULTS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASE, AND THAT THE OWNER OF THE BITCH IS A RESPONSIBLE, REPUTABLE OWNER AND BREEDER.
- (7) NO BITCH SHOULD BE USED FOR BREEDING **MORE THAN ONCE A YEAR**, NOR **PRIOR TO ONE AND HALF (1 1/2) YEARS OF AGE** OR **AFTER EIGHT (8) YEARS OF AGE**. THEY SHALL BE IN GOOD HEALTH, FREE FROM COMMUNICABLE DISEASES OR GENETIC OR DISQUALIFYING FAULTS. BREEDERS OF LITTERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PUPPIES PRODUCED BY THEIR BITCHES AND IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THEY VERIFY THE PURCHASERS OF PUPPIES **WILL BE RESPONSIBLE OWNERS WHO WILL PROVIDE PROPER HOMES AND CARE**.
- (8) NO DOG OR BITCH WILL BE BRED FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES, OR TO A DOG OR BITCH WHOSE OWNER IS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY INVOLVED IN OR WITH PUPPY MILLS, PUPPY BROKERS, PET SHOP OR LITTER LOT SALES. ANY BREEDING SHOULD BE WITH THE INTENTION OF THAT PARTICULAR BREEDING, OF IMPROVING THE BREED.
- (9) MEMBERS SHALL CONDUCT THEMSELVES AT ALL TIMES IN A MANNER TO REFLECT HONESTY, INTEGRITY AND BE A CREDIT TO THE CLUB AND THE BREED.
- (10) MEMBERS WILL PROVIDE A WARM, LOVING AND CARING HOME FOR THEIR DOBERMANS.

