



**ROTTWEILER CLUB OF ALASKA, INC.'S  
STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES & PRACTICES**

This statement is established in accordance with the objectives of the Rottweiler Club of Alaska, Inc.  
**Adherence to these Principles and Practices is expected of all members.**

Introduction: The Rottweiler is above all a working dog and must exhibit the temperament, intelligence and structure of a working companion. The physical appearance should be as described in the AKC Standard.

1. Study and strive to conserve and improve the breed in structure, temperament and working ability, never sacrificing one for the others.
2. Breed only AKC registered dogs and bitches which are OFA Certified and found to be free of hip by two board-certified radiologists at an accredited University Veterinary School. Also dogs with a foreign HD-negative status should be re-xrayed and found to be free of HD as described above before being used for breeding. All dogs should be tattooed in an individual and identifiable manner before having hips x-rayed. Breed only dogs and bitches of stable temperament and with no disqualifying faults according to the AKC Rottweiler Standard (undershot, overshot, 2 or more missing teeth, long coat, any base color other than black, or a total absence of markings). Do not breed any dog or bitch with any of the following faults: Monarchidism, entropion, ectropion.
3. Offer at stud with contract only, mature (24 months of age or older), healthy dogs with normal hips, OFA Certification, free from communicable diseases, having none of the faults listed above. Refuse stud to any bitch not meeting the same requirements.
4. Breed only bitches two years of age or older, with normal hips, OFA Certification, in good health, free of communicable diseases, having none of the above faults, to not more than one stud dog at any one season, and not more than two out of three seasons consecutively. Plan all litters with the goal of improving the breed.
5. Maintain the highest possible standards of health, cleanliness, and care of breeding stock, with all stock sold guaranteed to be in healthy condition, including adequate protection against known diseases.
6. Choose names of AKC registration which do not use prefixes or kennel names associated with other recognized breeders of Rottweilers in the USA, Canada, Germany or any other foreign country, unless written permission is obtained from the original user of the name.
7. Sell all dogs with a written contract. Keep and pass on to Buyers accurate health, breeding and registration records and pedigree records of at least four generations. The registration papers may be withheld or breeder's rights retained only by mutual agreement in writing, signed by both parties. Urge that all Rottweilers not purchased as show and breeding prospects be made incapable of reproducing, and urge that registration papers be withheld until a veterinarian's certificate is received as proof of sterilization.
8. Evaluate honestly according to the AKC Standard, and state clearly to the buyer the quality of any Rottweiler sold. All advertising should be honest and informative and should in no way misrepresent the stock offered. Prices should be based on individual merit.
9. Sell only to responsible persons and refuse to knowingly deal with unethical breeders, pet shops, wholesalers, catalog houses or their commercial sources. Rottweilers should not be given as prizes in contests, nor should the breed be exploited in any detrimental manner.
10. Encourage working titles to retain breeding stock's correct working temperament. Show future breeding stock in the ring, keeping in mind that the purpose of such shows is to improve the breed by objective evaluation of the animals in competition according to the Breed Standard.
11. Observe the highest standards of sportsmanship and good will at all Breed shows and Obedience trials, and at any other event involving Rottweilers. Assist all newcomers to the breed, so they may be guided in the ways that can best conserve and improve the Breed.

**As a member of the Rottweiler Club of Alaska, Inc., I have read and understood that I shall be expected to abide by the above Statement of Principals and practices in all ways along with the ARC's Mandatory Practics.**

  
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