



Tibetan Terrier Club of America, Inc.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Name: _____ 2nd Applicant Name: _____

(Household membership only after associate status fulfilled)

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

E-Mail _____ Web Address _____

(Please print clearly)

Date of Birth (If under 18) _____ Occupation _____

***ALL PERSONS MUST FIRST SATISFY A ONE YEAR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP PRIOR TO APPLYING FOR REGULAR OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERSHIP* Please read all information in the categories before making a selection.**

I am applying for (check one):

- Associate Membership.** DUES: **_\$30.00 per year_** (Open to any persons 18 years or older residing in the United States. May not hold office, chair a committee, vote nor be entitled to endorse application for membership to the TTCA. Upon completion of one year of membership as an Associate Member, such persons may apply for Regular or Household Membership).
- Regular Membership.** DUES: **_\$30.00 per year_** (Open to any person 18 years or older, residing in the United States, who have attained one year of membership in good standing as an Associate Member). **Go to Part A.**
- Household Membership.** DUES: **_\$45.00 per year_** (Open to two persons 18 years or older who reside together in the United States, who have EACH attained the status of Regular Member, are 18 years. Household members each have one vote, but receive only one copy of all publications and notices). **Go to Part A.**
- Junior.** DUES: **_\$20.00 per year_** (Open to persons 10-18 years of age, residing in the United States. May not hold office, chair a committee, vote nor be entitled to endorse application for membership to the TTCA).
- Foreign.** DUES: **_\$45.00 US funds per year_** (Open to persons 18 years or older who reside outside of the United States. May not hold office, chair a committee, vote nor be entitled to endorse application for membership to the TTCA).

Payment: Checks should only be sent with NEW associate, junior or foreign membership applications.

If you are a current member applying for a change in membership status you must send your dues payments to the TTCA Treasurer when you receive your dues renewal notice in January of each year.

Please note Associate, Junior, Foreign:

If you are making this application for membership after August 30, you have the option of having your membership become effective immediately upon approval by the Board of Directors, or you may elect to have your membership become effective on March 1st of the next year. If you wish to have your membership become effective immediately upon approval, the dues submitted with this application will then be for the current dues and you will have to pay dues for the next year between January 1st and February 28th, when all dues for the next year will be collected by the Treasurer. I wish to have my membership become effective March 1 of next year. _____ (initial here)

Please fill out the following application. Send the complete application(s), signed TTCA Guidelines for Responsible Breeders, signed Sponsor statements, and a check or money order payable to TTCA, Inc. when applicable. Please mail to :

Jean Allen
55 1/2 North Main Street
South Hadley, MA 01075

Please contact Jean at ttcamembers@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

Part A-General Information

Why do you want to become a Member of the TTCA?: (please use additional pages as necessary) _____

Are you a current TT Breeder? YES NO

Do you have any interest in becoming a TT Breeder? YES NO

If you answered yes to either of the above, please be sure to complete **Part B** and **C** of the application.

Are you an associate member applying for regular or household membership status? Yes No

****If yes, please move to Part D ** If you are a breeder or plan to do any breeding in the future you must also resubmit section B with your current information.****

NEW APPLICANTS CONTINUE:

When did you acquire your first TT? _____

Number of TTs currently owned: _____

Do you have any skills you could share with the club? Please check all that apply.

- Clerical skills Stuff envelopes Write a column Provide artwork Proofreader
 Accounting experience Publishing experience Fundraising experience Computer skills
 Canine good citizen evaluator Assist juniors Breed mentor
 Assist specialty shows Conformation Obedience Agility
 Assist Rescue Hospitality Planning Transportation
 Provide a foster home Provide transportation Breed Identification

Other _____

Have you ever been a member of the TTCA? Yes No

Are you in good standing with the American Kennel Club (AKC)? Yes No

Are you involved with a canine related business? Yes No

If yes, please describe _____

Are you an AKC judge? Yes No

Have you ever been sanctioned or suspended by the AKC or any dog-related organization or club? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever been charged with or convicted of animal cruelty, neglect or abuse? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

If you have no interest in breeding now or at any time in the future, please go straight to Part D. You must still read, sign and submit the Guidelines for Responsible Breeders.

PartB-BreederInformation

Please fill in as completely as possible.

Are you currently a TT breeder? Yes No

Do you plan to, or have any interest in, becoming a TT breeder? Yes No

If yes, do you have a mentor? Yes No Who? _____

How many TT litters have you bred in total ? _____How many last year? _____How many in the past 5 years?_____

Are these litters registered with the AKC? _____Any other registries? If so, please list_____

What is the earliest age you have placed a TT puppy? _____Weeks

Have you ever, or would you ever consider selling your puppies through an agent, broker or retail outlet?

Yes No Not Sure Will not have puppies in the future

Do you place/sell your dogs with a contract? Yes No Sometimes

For each dog sold or placed, do you make written arrangements for its return to you at any time the purchaser/adopter no longer wishes to keep it? Yes No Sometimes

Briefly explain your return policy: _____

Do you advertise your puppies for Sale? Yes No Sometimes

Where do you place ads for your puppies?_____

Do you perform annual ophthalmologic exams on your TTs? Yes No Sometimes

If sometimes, please explain:_____

Do you breed only from parents who have had their hips x-rayed, resulting in eligibility for OFA Certification?

Yes No Sometimes If sometimes please explain: _____

How many total stud services have you provided for TTs? _____How many in the past year?_____In the past 5 years?_____

Do you require that any female TT bred to your males to have current OFA and CERF clearances? Yes No Sometimes

If Sometimes, please explain: _____

Do you buy or sell litters or individual dogs for resale? Yes No Sometimes

How many litters of other breeds have you bred in the past 5 years? (Use additional pages as necessary)

Breed Name	Total Number of Litters Bred in past 5 years

PartC-ExhibitionInformation

Are you a TT exhibitor? Yes No

If yes, for How Long? _____

Do you show in: (check all that apply) Conformation Obedience Agility Other? _____

What other breeds have you owned and participated with in AKC events? (List below – use additional pages as necessary)

Breed Name	Event Type(s)

PartD-Signatures

Please read carefully the following statement and the Guidelines for Responsible Breeders found on the next page of this application. Sign and date both parts. Signatures are required regardless of your intentions to breed or not. Submit with this application and your completed sponsor statements.

I have truthfully answered all of the questions on this Application. I agree to support the objectives of the Club and to abide by all of the provisions set forth in The Tibetan Terrier Club of America Constitution and By Laws.

I understand and agree that should my application be denied that I am not entitled to any explanation. I further agree to hold the Tibetan Terrier Club of America, its officers, board members, and its members harmless for any harm or injury I may claim for such a denial. I will reimburse the Tibetan Terrier Club of America, its officers, board members, or members for the cost of defending any action I may initiate related to the denial of my membership application, including reasonable attorneys' fees, if applicable.

Signature _____ Date: _____

2nd Signature _____ Date: _____

(Household membership only)

MembersApplyingforaChangeInMembershipStatus

****STOP HERE ONLY IF THIS IS A REQUEST TO CHANGE FROM ASSOCIATE TO REGULAR OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBER**
SPONSOR SHEETS AND BREEDERS GUIDELINES ARE NOT REQUIRED AS YOUR ORIGINALS ARE ALREADY ON FILE.**

Tibetan Terrier Club of America, Inc.
Guidelines for Responsible Breeders

These guidelines are established in accordance with the objectives of the Tibetan Terrier Club of America, Inc. and are set forth to protect and advance the interest of our breed by maintaining high breeding standards. The TTCA endorses and encourages all breeders to follow them.

A RESPONSIBLE BREEDER:

1. Abides by the constitution and by-laws of the TTCA and the rules of the American Kennel Club.
2. Maintains the best possible standards of canine health, cleanliness and veterinary care, and provides facilities for excellent pre-natal and post-natal care of the dam and puppies.
3. Maintains accurate breeding records, registration papers and pedigrees, furnishing each purchaser with proper registration or transfer papers, unless written agreement is made at the time of sale that papers be withheld.
4. Makes sure all services and sales arrangements are mutually agreed upon, stated in writing, and signed by all parties involved.
5. Keeps all advertising honest and in no way intentionally misleading, fraudulent or misrepresentative.
6. Learns and understands the AKC Standard of the breed, and breeds with the intention of conforming to it.
7. Breeds only with the intention of improving the breed, and finding suitable, carefully screened, safe and loving homes for the puppies.
8. Chooses only healthy, registered parents of excellent temperament and qualities, x-rayed and eye examined, resulting in eligibility for OFA and CERF certification, doing everything possible to prevent passing on devastating genetic defects.
9. Breeds only mature bitches, preferably over two years of age, skipping a season between most litters.
10. Refuses to breed a stud dog or brood bitch to any animal which is not registered or is markedly inferior physically or temperamentally.
11. Does not sell or consign Tibetan Terriers to pet shops or other commercial dealers, nor does he breed his animals to their animals.
12. Is as selective in breeding his stud dog as he is in breeding his brood bitch.
13. Does not donate Tibetan Terriers for raffles or auctions.
14. Honestly evaluates the quality of the Tibetan Terrier to be sold, and fairly represents that evaluation.
15. Requires puppy purchasers to spay or neuter all pets which for any reason may not be qualified to be used for breeding.
16. Acknowledges he is responsible for any dog he has bred or sold for its entire lifetime and makes written arrangements for its return to him at any time the purchaser no longer wishes to keep it.
17. Does not release puppies to new homes before they are at least eight weeks of age and have been properly socialized.
18. Furnishes complete details on feeding, general care, medical inoculations, grooming, pedigree, etc.
19. Insists in writing that the purchaser have the puppy checked by a veterinarian within 72 hours of sale, making clear that if the puppy is found to be unfit, it must be returned for either replacement or refund of purchase price.
20. Tries to assist the serious novice in his understanding of the breed.
21. Follows up on all puppies and adults after the sale to insure their continued care and to encourage the owners to become involved in purebred dog activities.
22. Conducts himself at all times in such a manner as to reflect credit upon himself, the sport of pure-bred dogs, and his Tibetan Terrier in particular.

Approved by vote of the Board of Directors of the Tibetan Terrier Club of America, Inc. 1987

Approved by vote of the Membership of the Tibetan Terrier Club of America, Inc. 1988

Modified by a vote of the Board of Directors of the Tibetan Terrier Club of America, Inc. 2005

The Tibetan Terrier Club of America, Inc. makes no guarantee with respect to any Tibetan Terrier acquired from or through any of its members.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and agree to abide by the Guidelines for Responsible Breeders:

Signature _____ Date: _____

Part E-Sponsor Statements

Applicants must obtain two sponsors. Sponsors must be regular, household, or lifetime members in good standing with the TTCA. Sponsors must not reside in the same household and may not be a member of the applicants household. Please have each sponsor fill out a separate sponsor statement to be submitted with the application.

SPONSOR STATEMENT

Sponsor Name: _____

Applicant Name: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what capacity have you known the applicant? _____

How did you meet the applicant? (email, at a show, breeder, local club, etc.)

As the sponsor of the applicant, I have: (check all that apply)

_____ Personally visited the applicant's home.

_____ Have first hand knowledge of the care given to his or her dogs, and that the applicant cares for his/her dogs in a humane and ethical manner.

_____ Have met the applicant's dogs.

_____ If the application is for associate membership, I am willing to mentor this applicant for the duration of their associate membership.

The Board would appreciate any comments that you believe would help in making a decision regarding the applicant (Please use reverse side for additional comments). _____

By sponsoring the applicant, I attest that to the best of my knowledge and belief that the applicant is qualified for membership in the TTCA and that the applicant would be an asset to the TTCA.

Sponsor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please Print Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Member of TTCA since: _____

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