# Shetland Sheepdog Club of Georgia, Inc.

Licensed by the American Kennel Club & member of the American Shetland Sheepdog Assn.

Name:	Kennel Name :	
Street Address:	City:	
State: Zip:		
Telephone: ()	Cell Phone Number:	
E-mail address:	Occupation:	
Acquired first Sheltie:	Bred first litter:	
Number of Shelties presently owned over 6	6 months of age: Male Female	
Exhibited first A.K.C. show or trial:	Title(s):	
Last dog club membership (offices held):	Year joined: _	
Briefly indicate the extent of your interest in	n the breed:	

#### **APPLICATION**

Auxiliary membership is open to those who live outside the Atlanta area and cannot attend meetings but wish to support the SSCGA. They cannot vote or hold office and they cannot automatically upgrade to associate or full membership.

Applicant(s) must be sponsored by two actively participating, full members at least one of whom has visited their home or kennel. An Auxiliary membership form will be completed and will be read at the following two club meetings with the applicant's information published in the meeting notes. A secret ballot vote will be taken at the third meeting after the application has been received. An affirmative vote by two thirds of the full members present is required for election. \$10 dues must accompany this application. *(The completed application and fee should be sent to the club secretary)* 

#### By signature below, each applicant certifies that:

- 1) I (we) am not under suspension by the American Kennel Club
- 2) I (we) agree to at all times, under all circumstances, abide by the rules of the AKC and the Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules of the SSC of GA, Inc.
- 3) I (we) have read and understand the SSC of GA, Inc. "Code of Ethics' and the 'AKC Shetland Sheepdog Breed Standard".

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_

#### SPONSOR ENDORSEMENTS

To the best of my knowledge, the statements of the applicant(s) above are correct. I believe the applicant(s) will consider the welfare and best interests of the breed and the dog(s) they keep, breed, exhibit and sell, maintaining in such activities, the highest standards of ethical conduct. I believe the applicant(s) fully support the objectives of the SSSC of GA, Inc., and do therefore endorse this applicant(s) stating:

- 1) I have been acquainted with the applicant(s) for \_
- 2) I have furnished the applicant(s) with the "AKC Shetland Sheepdog Breed Standard"
- 3) I have visited the quarters where the applicant(s) maintain the dogs. Y/N \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) I am a member in good standing with the SSC of GA, Inc.
- 5) I have checked all the information on this application

Sponsor (print):	Date:	
Legal signature:		
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Sponsor (print):	Date:	
Legal signature:		
The above two sponsors may not be of the sa	ime family	
TO BE COMPLETED B	Y CLUB SECRETARY ONLY	
Date of first reading:	Second:	
Date of voting by membership:	Accepted: Yes N	0
SSC of GA, Inc. Secretary Signature:	Date:	

All un-deposited fees will be returned if membership is denied.

# SSC OF GA, INC. "CODE OF ETHICS"

This code is established in accordance with the objectives of the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Georgia, Inc.. It is set forth as a guideline to protect and advance the interest of purebred dogs by maintaining high breeding standards, and by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows and other dog related activities including respect for people and dogs. Adherence to the code is strongly recommended.

## BREEDING:

The breeder should:

- 1. Breed only with the idea to improve the breed.
- 2. Breed only with the intention of finding suitable homes for the puppies.
- 3. Study, understand, and breed with the intention of conforming to the AKC standard for the Shetland Sheepdog.
- 4. Breed only healthy AKC parents of good temperament and conformation, free of known disqualifying faults, according to the AKC Breed Standard.
- 5. Breed only mature bitches and provide facilities for excellent pre-natal and post-natal care of the dam and puppies.
- 6. Refuse to breed a stud dog or brood bitch to any dog which is markedly inferior physically or temperamentally, and qualify **your** refusal.

## HEALTH:

The owner should maintain the best possible standards of canine nutrition, health, cleanliness and veterinary care, including mental health which includes contact with people and exposure to the outside world.

### **REGISTRATION:**

The owner should breed only AKC registered Shetland Sheepdogs (other breeds notwithstanding) to AKC registered Shetland Sheepdogs. The owner should always abide by the rules of the American Kennel Club. Accurate records of breeding and pedigrees should be maintained.

## SALES:

The owner/breeder should:

- 1. Not breed, sell, or consign puppies or adults to pet shops or other commercial dealers.
- 2. Urge buyers to spay or neuter all Shetland Sheepdogs which for any reason will not be used for breeding.
- 3. Honestly evaluate the quality of the Shetland Sheepdog being sold and fairly represent that evaluation.
- 4. Not release puppies to new homes before they are eight (8) weeks of age.
- 5. Furnish details on dog being sold or placed, on feeding, general care, medical inoculations, accurate pedigrees, etc.
- 6. Screen all prospective buyers to assure that puppies or adults will have a safe and loving home.
- 7. Follow up on puppies and dogs after the sale to insure their continued care and to encourage the owners to become involved in purebred dog activities (in show, obedience, tracking & herding).

### SPORTSMANSHIP:

The owner/breeder should always conduct themselves in a manner which reflects credit upon themselves, his/her purebred dog, and the sport of purebred dogs, regardless of their location or circumstances.