

Shetland Sheepdog Club of Georgia, Inc.

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

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

IMPORTANT: BEFORE SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION, READ THE INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE

Name: _____ Kennel Name (Optional): _____

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

Telephone: (____) _____ Additional Family Member Name(s): _____

Occupation of applicant: _____ Office phone: (____) _____

Acquired first Sheltie: _____ Bred first litter: _____

Number of Shelties presently owned over 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 the breed: _____

Check one:

- Individual full membership: all privileges due in accordance with SSC of GA, Inc. By-Laws
- Family full membership: all privileges due in accordance with SSC of GA, Inc. By-Laws
- Individual associate membership: all privileges due in accordance with SSC of GA, Inc. By-Laws
- Family associate membership: all privileges due in accordance with SSC of GA, Inc. By-Laws
- (NOTE: Associate members may NOT vote, hold office, nominate candidates for club officers or specialty judges, receive club awards)
- Junior member birth date: _____ (10-18 years of age, not covered under a family membership)

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".

Applicant(s) Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

SPONSOR ENDORSEMENTS

Please do not sign to endorse the above applicant(s) before you study all the above statements and the following:

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 SSC 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 have been 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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The above two sponsors may not be of the same family

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 and herding. etc.).

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.

APPLICATIONS

Applicant(s) must attend two (2) meetings of the SSC of GA, Inc. within a 6 month period before submitting an application for membership. The application will then be read to the membership at the next two consecutive general meetings, and the applicant(s) voted on at the second reading. Applicant(s) must be present at the second reading.

Dues must accompany this application. **Check one of the following:**

- \$20.00 Individual Full Membership
- \$25.00 Family Full Membership
- \$15.00 Individual Associate Membership
- \$20.00 Family Associate Membership
- \$00.00 Junior Member

Completed application and fee should be sent to the secretary

..... TO BE COMPLETED BY CLUB SECRETARY ONLY

Date of first meeting attended: _____ Second: _____

Date of first reading: _____ Second: _____

Date of voting by membership: _____ Accepted: Yes ___ No ___

SSC of GA, Inc. Secretary Signature: _____ Date: _____

All undeposited fees will be returned if membership is denied.