



THE KENNEL CLUB

ASSURED BREEDER SCHEME

The Kennel Club is the only organisation to have United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS) recognition to certify breeders, under the Kennel Club Assured Breeder Scheme.

GUIDE TO CONTENT OF STUD DOG CONTRACT

Introduction

This guide is intended for use by Kennel Club Assured Breeders who may already cover many essential aspects of responsible breeding by adhering to the scheme criteria.

Important information and advice regarding this guide

Sections 1 – 6 are intended as examples of the aspects that could be covered in a stud dog contract and of wording that could be used. Practices in certain sections will vary from those described and care should be taken to accurately describe individual practices.

It is essential that the stud dog owner goes through the detail of the contract with each stud enquiry so that the bitch owner can sign the declaration to show that they have read and understood the requirements.

Ideally there should be two copies of each contract - one to go to the owner of the bitch and one to be retained by the stud dog owner. Both copies must be completed and signed by both parties.

The suggested sample clauses may be included in an Assured Breeder's contract and are presented here by way of guidance only, for your information and use. This guidance is not intended to be a substitute for independent legal advice and does not establish a solicitor-client relationship with the Kennel Club. The Kennel Club cannot be held liable for any loss or damage caused directly or indirectly as a result of the reliance and use of the suggested clauses by an Assured Breeder.



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STUD DOG CONTRACT - GUIDE TO CONTENT

SECTION 1: STUD DOG'S DETAILS

KENNEL CLUB REGISTERED NAME OF DOG
KENNEL CLUB REGISTRATION NUMBER
BREED
DATE OF BIRTH
MICROCHIP OR TATTOO NUMBER
COLOUR

SECTION 2: BITCH'S DETAILS

KENNEL CLUB REGISTERED NAME OF BITCH
KENNEL CLUB REGISTRATION NUMBER
BREED
DATE OF BIRTH
MICROCHIP OR TATTOO NUMBER
COLOUR

SECTION 3: DETAILS OF BOTH PARTIES

NAME OF STUD DOG'S OWNER
ADDRESS OF STUD DOG'S OWNER
TELEPHONE NUMBER OF STUD DOG'S OWNER

and

NAME OF BITCH'S OWNER
ADDRESS OF BITCH'S OWNER
TELEPHONE NUMBER OF BITCH'S OWNER

SECTION 4: HEALTH AND WELFARE

The stud dog owner has taken every care with the welfare of the stud dog. The stud dog owner confirms that to the best of their knowledge the stud dog is both fertile and in good health. The stud dog owner gives no warranties regarding the birth of any puppies arising from the mating(s) covered by this contract.

The stud dog has undergone the following health tests to screen for the following genetic conditions known in the breed:-

[List Schemes and Dates]

Copies of the results for this stud dog are attached to this contract.

The stud dog owner confirms that they have seen all the bitch's relevant health test results.

SECTION 5: CONSIDERATION FOR THE STUD SERVICE

The bitch owner will pay the stud dog owner the sum of £[] in advance for the stud service which took place/will take place on the following date(s) [SPECIFY DATE OF MATING(S)].

OR

Specify the detail of any other arrangement for the consideration of the stud service in detail, e.g. choice of puppy.

The stud dog owner undertakes that they will sign and complete all Kennel Club documentation to confirm the date of the mating in the event that a puppy or puppies are produced by the mating and provide any other information regarding the mating that the Kennel Club may require within seven days of a written request to do so.

In the event of the bitch not conceiving [stud dog owner to insert their own conditions].

SECTION 6: DATE, DECLARATIONS AND SIGNATURES

a) DECLARATION BY OWNER OF BITCH:

I/we confirm that I/we have read and had a full explanation of all the detail and meaning of this contract prior to the mating and I/we fully understand its purpose and reason.

SIGNED:DATE:.....

OWNER OF BITCH

b) SIGNATURE OF OWNER OF STUD DOG

I/we confirm that I/we am/are the owner(s) of the said stud dog and the contents of this contract are accurate to the best of my/our knowledge.

SIGNED:DATE:.....

OWNER OF STUD DOG



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Scheme Disclaimer

The Kennel Club Assured Breeder Scheme recognises good practices in dog breeding and encourages compliance with such practices. It does not guarantee the health or disposition of a dog. Compliance is the responsibility of the breeder and the Kennel Club maintains a grievance procedure for referral of complaints. The purchaser retains his/her statutory and contractual rights. The Kennel Club disclaims any liability relating to the health or disposition of a dog or the conduct of Assured Breeders.