



Code of Ethics

Membership Requirements

1. Members are to abide by their state or territory code of ethics for Dog breeding.
2. Members will fill out a questionnaire prior to membership to make sure they understand their obligations to the welfare of their dogs.
3. Beginner Members must provide identification and have an audit and health check of all dogs on the property by an Independent Veterinarian within 12 months of joining Fur and Family First. And then yearly whilst with the organisation.
4. Sta and Gold members will be required to have yearly veterinary audits and health checks of their dogs to continue membership.
5. If a member moves a new audit must take place at the new residence.
6. Members will co-operate with RSPCA if required and contact the association about the situation
7. Members are to assist in the rehoming of dogs in need and advertise for their local rescue organisation on their social media accounts or websites or undertake their own rescue pledge
8. Members are to complete educational requirements prior to becoming gold members

Member behaviour

9. Members should behave professionally in their dealings with, pet owners, the general public and other members
10. The confidentiality of customers should be private unless otherwise stated by the customer

Dog care:

11. All dogs will be fed a balanced diet and given clean fresh water daily.
12. All dogs will be kept in a healthy condition, receive appropriate veterinary care, vaccinations and parasite control.
13. All dogs in the breeder's care shall be microchipped and registered by 6 months of age
14. All dogs and puppies will be kept safely on the property and protected from outside interference and disease.
15. No dog shall be euthanised unless it is the last resort and advised by a veterinarian.
16. All dogs will receive exercise, socialisation and enrichment daily
17. No dogs are to be housed in cages.
18. Members are required to keep records



Sale of Puppies:

19. All pups are to receive at least one vaccination, be microchipped and health checked prior to being homed.
20. No pup is to be sold prior to 8 weeks of age (i.e. sale can commence but possession is not to take place)
21. Members should sell their puppies either:
 - a. Desexed or with a desexing voucher, refundable on proof of desexing.
22. Sales of puppies through pet stores may only be for puppies desexed prior to sale.
23. Puppies are not to be sold to anyone under 18years of age.
24. Customers require a sales agreement prior to sale or deposit being accepted that outlines both the sellers and buyers' obligations.
25. Members shall provide the new owner's with information regarding feeding, Veterinary care and training of their puppies and possible future expenses expected from owning a dog.
26. Members are not to sell sick puppies
27. Members are to keep records of all sales

After sale:

28. Members are responsible for any illness present at the time of sale of the puppy. The member shall be responsible for verified veterinary expenses relating to that illness, to a maximum amount equal to the purchase price of the puppy.
29. Members must accept responsibility for a vet verified preventable, testable genetic or congenital health problem's arising in the first year of the dog's life. The breeder should pay verified veterinary expenses up to the purchase price of the puppy or replace the puppy.
30. A member is responsible for the rehoming or taking back of a pup or dog they have bred if the dog can no longer be cared for.