



Application for DPCA Membership November 2019

Thank you for your interest in joining the Doberman Pinscher Club of America.

The DPCA exists to support both the Doberman and the club's members. The members of the DPCA see something special in Dobermans and want to preserve those qualities that make it unique. Therefore, DPCA members band together to uphold the breed standard and to educate and assist other interested Doberman owners. Thank you for your interest in joining us in our ongoing mission.

The applicant agrees to abide by the DPCA Constitution and By-Laws, the DPCA Code of Ethics and the rules of the American Kennel Club. Members with email addresses agree to electronic balloting. The DPCA Constitution and By-Laws may be found at http://dpca.org/club/DPCA_CB.php and the Code of Ethics at http://dpca.org/club/DPCA_COE.php.

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- ☛ Have you answered all questions on the application and questionnaire, even if you have answered N/A (not applicable)?
- ☛ Have your sponsors answered all questions on the sponsor questionnaires?
- ☛ Have you completed your application legibly?
- ☛ Have you signed both your application and applicant questionnaire?
- ☛ Have your sponsors signed both your application and their sponsor questionnaire?
- ☛ If you are applying for junior membership is your check made out to the DPCA in the amount of \$17.50?
- ☛ If your mailing address is an US address is your check made out to the DPCA in the amount of \$35.00?
- ☛ If your mailing address is outside the US is your check made out to the DPCA in the amount of \$50.00?
- ☛ If your mailing address is outside the US is the DPCA able to cash your check or money order?
 - The MICR line (the bottom line of the check under the memo line) must include a nine (9) digit routing number.



DOBERMAN PINSCHER CLUB OF AMERICA INC.

(Formed 1921)

Member of the American Kennel Club

Application for Active Membership

Application for Junior Membership

November 2019

NOTE: Only ONE applicant per form is permissible PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Annual Dues of \$35.00 (Domestic), \$17.50 (Junior 10-17 years old), or \$50.00 Foreign (\$35.00 Dues + \$15.00 Postage) US funds via check or money order drawn on a US bank, PAYABLE to DPCA, is required with application. Applicant **MUST** complete and sign the Applicant Questionnaire and obtain the signatures of two (2) sponsors who are DPCA members in good standing who have completed and signed the Sponsor Questionnaire. If applicant is accepted, deposit will apply to dues and postage. If not accepted, a like amount will be refunded.

Please mail completed Membership Application to:
Ann Wulbrecht, 8617 Saint John St., Shelby Township, MI 48317
E-mail: DPCAMembershipSecretary@DPCA.org

Applicants Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Country _____ Telephone _____ Email _____

Applicants Signature _____ Date _____

Unsigned applications cannot be accepted. Applications must be submitted within 90 days of the date of the sponsor's signature. Applicant agrees to abide by the DPCA Constitution and By-Laws, the DPCA Code of Ethics, the DPCA email policy and the rules of the American Kennel Club. Members with email addresses agree to electronic balloting. By this signature, I consent to the DPCA providing my contact information to contracting sponsors of the DPCA.

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes No If "No" provide date of birth _____, parent or guardian must sign below. *Junior members may not vote nor hold office.*

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Telephone _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Are you in good standing with the AKC? Yes No

Local Club Affiliation _____

Applicants Occupation _____

Interest or abilities you can contribute _____

ENDORSEMENT

This application must be signed by two currently active DPCA members in good standing.

I endorse the application of _____ For membership in the DPCA.

1. _____ Signature of DPCA Member _____ Date _____
Print Name

2. _____ Signature of DPCA Member _____ Date _____
Print Name

Applications take between 6 and 8 weeks to process
You must read and agree with the DPCA CODE OF ETHICS
10/13/2008 rev1 10/2013 rev2 9/2016 rev3 11/2017 rev4 6/2018

DPCA CODE OF ETHICS *(You do not need to return this sheet. Keep for your records.)*

(Adopted by the Board of Directors 1980, Revised 1982, 1993, 1998, 2011)

This Code is established in accordance with the objectives of the Doberman Pinscher Club of America as set forth in Article I, Section 2 of the Club Constitution and is presented as a guideline for the use of DPCA members when buying, breeding, selling and exhibiting Doberman Pinschers. It is intended to set forth minimum standards of practice to which the DPCA would have its members adhere as they strive to accomplish the goals and purposes set forth in the Club Constitution. Violators of the DPCA Code of Ethics may be subject to action under DPCA grievance and charge procedures.

ETHICAL STANDARDS

- 1) I will not misrepresent myself or my Dobermans in my dealings with others.
- 2) I will honor all agreements entered into freely between myself and others concerning Dobermans and Doberman-related activities.
- 3) I will not bring dishonor to the Doberman Pinscher Club of America, nor to the breed which I have agreed, by my membership, to preserve and protect.
- 4) I will conduct myself at all times to enhance and improve the Doberman Pinscher breed and its image to the public.

CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1) All members shall abide by the constitution and by-laws of the Doberman Pinscher Club of America and all the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club.
- 2) All members shall conduct themselves to reflect credit on the sport of purebred dogs in general and Doberman Pinschers in particular. This includes respect for show sites, national convention and overflow facilities, internet forums, lists and other social media as well as all other aspects of responsible dog ownership.
- 3) All members shall keep accurate breeding records, registrations and pedigrees, and maintain appropriate standards of canine health, cleanliness and care. Members shall abide by local laws, ordinances and covenants relating to dog care and ownership.
- 4) All services and sales arrangements shall be in writing and signed by all parties. DPCA members must support and conduct only ethical trade practices.
- 5) All advertising shall be honest and not in any way misrepresentative, fraudulent, or misleading.
- 6) All members shall support the efforts of the DPCA relative to health issues known to affect the breed.
- 7) All members shall evaluate the structural and mental qualities of all Doberman Pinschers sold or placed.
- 8) All breeding shall be done with the intent of the preservation and betterment of the Doberman, taking into consideration structure, health and temperament. Breeding stock shall be tested for health disorders known to affect the breed.
- 9) Animals will be used for breeding only as often as consistent with good health and sound medical practices. Animals shall be in good health and free of communicable diseases and disqualifying faults. Albino or Z-factored animals shall never be used for breeding.
- 10) Stud dogs shall not be bred to any bitch whose owner is directly or indirectly involved with any puppy broker, puppy mill, pet shops selling dogs, litter lot sales, or any other wholesale distributor whose business is involved in like activities.
- 11) No Doberman shall be sold to persons directly or indirectly involved with any puppy broker, puppy mill, pet shops selling dogs, litter lot sales or any other wholesale distributor whose business is involved in like activities. No Doberman shall be supplied for raffles, lotteries, or laboratory experiments.
- 12) Breeders and stud dog owners are responsible for the puppies produced by their animals. Breeders and stud dog owners shall take responsibility for the dogs they produce by taking dogs back or in some way assisting with placement in another home, if they can no longer be cared for by the owners.
- 13) When appropriate, animals shall be sold on limited registration or, with written agreement to have the animal altered and AKC registration or transfer documents withheld pending proof of alteration.
- 14) At the time of sale, the seller shall furnish records to the buyer. Those shall include complete medical records, including vaccinations given and deworming's, pedigree and AKC registration or transfer documents, unless written agreement is made at time of sale or transfer providing that these papers are to be withheld.

Doberman Pinscher Club of America Applicant Questionnaire

Applicants Name _____

How many dogs currently live on your property? _____

How many litters of any breed are whelped by or for you per year? _____

If you co own any bitches that do not live with you, how many litters do they produce per year? _____

Have you ever been investigated by the AKC, or any animal welfare agency? Please provide the name and address of the agency, details of the investigation, and the outcome. If you are currently under investigation by an animal welfare organization, it is the policy of the DPCA Board of Directors to ask that you re-apply for membership after the investigation has been completed and disposed. Please use a separate page if necessary.

Has dog breeding ever been a source of income for you? Yes No Do you think it could be in the future? Yes No

Have you ever transferred a puppy or dog to a retail outlet for placement? Yes No

Do you plan to exhibit your dog/s in AKC or UKC events? Yes No If so, do you have a mentor? Yes No

If you plan to breed your dog/bitch who will mentor you? _____ If you do not have a mentor, would you like one? Yes No

Have you ever owned, co-owned or lived with a white or Albino Doberman? If so, how did you acquire it? Has it been bred since living with you? If the answer is yes, please explain. Is it currently spayed/neutered? Please use a separate page if necessary.

Have you or any household member ever bred two different breeds of purebred dogs to each other. If the answer is yes, please explain. Please use an additional page if necessary.

How long have you known your sponsors? How did you meet them?

How many Dobermans have you owned or co-owned? From whom did you acquire them? Where are those dogs now?

Have you ever been a member of the DPCA or applied to the DPCA before? If so, when?

Have you ever been a member of any other dog club, either local or national? Are you still a member? If not, why not?

Why do you want to join the DPCA?

Please share with us any information relevant to your dog-owning history.

Are you willing to have a home visit by a DPCA appointed representative? Yes No

If no, explain, in detail, why. Use back of form or separate sheet if necessary.

Only completed applications can be processed which includes completion of all questions. Incomplete applications will be returned.

I represent that my answers to any and all questions are truthful and complete. I represent that all information on this application is correct. Should this not be the case my application will be denied or if discovered later will be grounds for revocation of membership without appeal.

It is preferable that Sponsors have been members of DPCA for three consecutive years and not be members of the same household.

Applicant's Signature/Date _____ / _____

Doberman Pinscher Club of America
Sponsor #1 Questionnaire *Please Print*

As a sponsor for a prospective member, please take a few minutes to complete the questions below. Please remember that you should feel comfortable with the responsibility of sponsoring this applicant as it is necessary for you to vouch for this person in writing.

I have been a member of the DPCA for _____ years and I wish to sponsor this applicant for membership in the Doberman Pinscher Club of America.

Applicants Name _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

How did you become acquainted with him/her? _____

Why do you believe this applicant wishes to be a member of the DPCA? _____

Please describe what you have personally observed of the care, maintenance and overall condition of the applicants dogs. _____

Have you visited the applicant's residence? If so, please describe the dog care facilities? _____

Why do you believe this applicant will be an asset to the DPCA? _____

Have you ever observed the applicant training his/her dog/s? Yes No

If so, would you say that his/her training methods are in accord with currently accepted practices? Yes No

Provide additional comments you wish to make on behalf of the applicant? _____

Please provide any other information which you feel would be useful to the Board in voting on this application? _____

I have checked the applicant's application and it is complete.

Sponsor's Signature/Date _____ / _____

Sponsor's Name **PRINTED** _____

Please answer all questions. Incomplete forms will be returned and delay processing of the application. Thank you.

Doberman Pinscher Club of America
Sponsor #2 Questionnaire *Please Print*

As a sponsor for a prospective member, please take a few minutes to complete the questions below. Please remember that you should feel comfortable with the responsibility of sponsoring this applicant as it is necessary for you to vouch for this person in writing.

I have been a member of the DPCA for _____ years and I wish to sponsor this applicant for membership in the Doberman Pinscher Club of America.

Applicants Name _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

How did you become acquainted with him/her? _____

Why do you believe this applicant wishes to be a member of the DPCA? _____

Please describe what you have personally observed of the care, maintenance and overall condition of the applicants dogs. _____

Have you visited the applicant's residence? If so, please describe the dog care facilities? _____

Why do you believe this applicant will be an asset to the DPCA? _____

Have you ever observed the applicant training his/her dog/s? Yes No

If so, would you say that his/her training methods are in accord with currently accepted practices? Yes No

Provide additional comments you wish to make on behalf of the applicant? _____

Please provide any other information which you feel would be useful to the Board in voting on this application? _____

I have checked the applicant's application and it is complete.

Sponsor's Signature/Date _____ / _____

Sponsor's Name **PRINTED** _____

Please answer all questions. Incomplete forms will be returned and delay processing of the application. Thank you.