



## CAIRN TERRIER CLUB OF DENVER

### Code of Ethics

This code is established in accordance with the objectives of the Cairn Terrier Club of America (CTCA) as set forth in its constitution, and was adopted by majority vote of the Club membership on October 11, 1991. It is presented as a guideline for the use of the Cairn Terrier Club of Denver (CTCD) and its members as a regional specialty club under the CTCA. As a member of the CTCD I shall:

1. Abide by the constitution and bylaws of the CTCD and the rules of the CTCA and the American Kennel Club (AKC).
2. Consider the welfare of the breed when engaged in any activities involving breeding, exhibiting, training, working, educating about, keeping or selling Cairn Terriers.
3. Conduct myself at all times in a manner that will reflect credit on all phases of purebred dog activities.
4. Keep accurate breeding records, registration papers and pedigrees and be prepared to release these records to new owners when a dog is sold.
5. Familiarize myself with the AKC Standard of the Breed and breed only dogs and bitches of characteristic type, sound structure and temperament, and direct my efforts to producing dogs and bitches in conformity to the AKC standard.
6. Breed no bitch before her second season, or sixteen months of age, nor more often than two out of three heat seasons, and only if in robust health.
7. Discontinue breeding Cairn Terriers which have produced one or more offspring with serious inherited defects detrimental to the animal's well-being in each of two separate litters as a result of breeding with two different partners.
8. Not undertake the breeding of a bitch unless prepared to keep the resulting puppies until each is suitably placed, nor offering a dog at stud unless similar assurances are obtained from the owners of outside bitches.
9. Maintain all puppies and adults in a clean and health condition and environment, whether my own dogs or those placed in my care.
10. Not sell any puppies until they are at least eight week and preferably twelve weeks of age, nor sell any adult or puppies without appropriate inoculations and proof of these inoculations given to the new owner. In addition, assure all purchasers are supplied with accurate and valid papers to include a four-generation pedigree, registration certificate, written health guarantee, inoculation records and suggestions for the care and feeding.
11. Require a spay/neuter contract with the sale of all non-show/non-breeding quality dogs, retain all papers until proof of the spay/neuter is furnished, or register as non-breeding stock (limited registration) any puppies or adults with known physical defects or which show definite departure from the AKC Standard.
12. Not engage in wholesaling, distributing or selling any Cairn Terrier to pet dealers, catalog houses or other commercial sources, nor supply any Cairn Terrier for raffles, lotteries or laboratory experimentation.
13. Refrain from any activities that would not be in the best interest of the breed and the Cairn Terrier Club of Denver.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_