THE BULLDOG STANDARD SUPPORTS A HEALTHY BULLDOG

The Bulldog Standard describes the ideal Bulldog as a dog of type that is sound and healthy. The general appearance and attitude of the Bulldog should suggest great stability, vigor and strength. The ideal Bulldog has sturdy and muscular limbs that carry the dog with an unrestrained free and vigorous gait. The nose should be large and broad with wide nostrils. The well-rounded ribs and capacious body lend to a larger lung to facilitate a healthy respiratory system. According to the Standard, type and health are synonymous and essential to perfection.

The BCA supports rescue of Bulldogs who need a new home and loving family.

BCA works with parent clubs of other AKC breeds to constitute the largest rescue network for dogs in the United States. BCA’s rescue affiliate, the Bulldog Club of America Rescue Network (BCARN), a non-profit organization, solicits and accepts tax-deductible donations to rescue Bulldogs throughout the country and to address any health or behavioral issues before placing them.

Causes, treatment and screening for health concerns are being researched and identified. Research efforts funded by the non-profit Bulldog Club of America Charitable Fund and the American Kennel Club Health Foundation are helping make dogs healthier by investigating the genetic sources of health problems and developing ways to reduce their incidence.

Tax-deductible donations may be made to these two groups to help improve our knowledge and to improve the health of our dogs.

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BCA’s Breeder Referral Program is an opt-in member privilege created to assist potential puppy owners to make contact with BCA Member Breeders. Each recommended breeder is a BCA member in good standing who is governed by the BCA Code of Ethics, which can be found on the BCA website.

The BCA strongly encourages any buyer to get to know a breeder before buying a puppy, and to obtain written documentation of all representations, promises, statements, warranties and guarantees made by anyone from whom you get a Bulldog. Both buyer and breeder/seller should sign documentation that covers these points. All parties should be contractually required to fulfill obligations to each dog sold throughout the life of the dog.

While the BCA does not inspect, monitor or regulate the breeding or business practices of its Program participants, we will investigate a written complaint of violation of the BCA Breeder’s Code of Ethics to determine whether or not disciplinary action against the breeder is appropriate. The BCA Breeder complaint form is available on the BCA website.

You may access a Directory of Approved Breeders on the BCA website. The breeders themselves provide the information for inclusion in the Breeder Referral Program.

PUBLIC EDUCATION

BCA Educates Buyers on How and Where to get a Quality Bulldog

How does BCA promote healthier Bulldogs?
In addition to funding research & health studies, BCA encourages breeders to participate in health studies by submitting DNA profiles of their dogs and to health test their dogs before breeding them. Recognition is available for dogs and breeders who provide health data for research and for dogs who have undergone and published health testing results.

Why buy a Bulldog from a BCA breeder?
BCA breeders do not produce enough Bulldogs to meet the public demand. Since it is difficult to make money breeding healthy Bulldogs, other breeders may not health test their breeding dogs or follow up with buyers over the dogs’ lives. They may not care as much if the dog does not meet the rigorous requirements of the Bulldog Breed Standard.

Work with BCA to increase public education.
Join us to keep Bulldogs healthy, well-socialized and in loving homes.
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