



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
Basset Hound Club of America, Inc.
Member of the American Kennel Club

Type of Membership: Individual _____ Family _____ Junior* _____ (*must indicate Date of Birth: _____)

(Please type or print clearly):

Applicant Name : _____ Co-Applicant Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Province _____ Country _____ Postal Code _____

Phone Number (include area code or country code) : _____ Email: _____

Occupation Applicant (required per BHCA By-Laws) _____

Occupation Co-Applicant _____

Please list any skills or expertise (including professional) which you possess and are willing to make available to the club: _____

I (we) hereby make application for membership in The Basset Hound Club of America, Inc. (BHCA) according to Article II of BHCA's By-Laws, and I (we) agree to abide by the By-laws and Guidelines for Ethical Conduct of BHCA.

Signature of Applicant/ Date _____

Signature of Co-Applicant / Date _____

Additional Required Information:

1. **COMPLETE Guidelines of Ethical Conduct** on reverse side, signed by all applicants
2. **ATTACH** cash, check or money order for one year dues assessment (see dues schedule on back)
3. All applicants to BHCA must have signatures and statements of two sponsors, each of whom must be current voting members of BHCA in good standing and **sponsor forms (2)** attached.

Have you or co-applicant ever been a member of BHCA? Applicant _____ Co-Applicant _____

Indicate your primary interests in Basset Hounds:

() Companion () Rescue () Conformation () Obedience () Field Trial/Hunting () Tracking () Agility () Breeding

When did you obtain your first Basset? _____ Number of Bassets owned in the past: _____
Number of Bassets currently owned by you and your immediate family: _____ (Attach a separate sheet listing information on dogs presently owned including registered name – Registration #, Sire, Dam, birth date, sex, names of co-owners and AKC titles)

From whom did you acquire your Basset Hound(s): _____
() Private breeder () Commercial kennel () Pet shop () Mail Order Did you visit the Kennel? _____

If you have bred Basset Hounds, please indicate the following: Number of litters per year: _____ Total # of Puppies: _____

List total # of AKC registered dogs _____ (use additional sheet if necessary) Have you sold stud services? () yes () no

Do you consign or sell, or have you ever consigned or sold, dogs to pet stores or to other persons for resale through pet stores or And other commercial outlets? _____ If yes, please explain _____

What other breeds do you currently own, or have you owned in the past? _____

Have you ever bred other breeds? () yes () no Number of litters: _____ Number of titled dogs: _____

Do you consider your own breeding of dogs a hobby or a commercial venture? _____

Please list any all-breed kennel clubs or other breed clubs to which you belong, and list offices you have held within these clubs: _____

Please indicate your primary reasons for applying for membership in the BHCA : _____

If you are an AKC or foreign approved breed judge, please give details, i.e., Breed(s), discipline(s), etc.: _____

GUIDELINES OF ETHICAL CONDUCT

Each member of the Basset Hound Club of America will consider the welfare of the breed when engaging in any activities involving the breeding, selling or competition of Basset Hounds. BHCA members, both individuals and member clubs, are urged to comply with the following guidelines:

1. Members of the Basset Hound Club of America will abide by the constitution and by-laws of BHCA and of the American Kennel Club.
2. Members will ensure that all dogs in their care are provided adequate food, water and shelter, opportunity for exercises, veterinary care, and personal attention to monitor their needs.
3. Breeding will be directed toward producing Basset Hounds of exceptional quality in breed temperament, Basset Hound type and ability to hunt game. Only healthy and mature dogs and bitches free of congenital defects and of characteristic breed type, sound structure and temperament shall be bred.
4. Members should not undertake the breeding of a bitch unless they are prepared to act responsibly regarding the disposition of the resultant puppies. Members shall be discriminating in the placing of puppies and adult hounds, choosing environments in which the Basset Hound will receive suitable care and affection and will not be misused.
5. Basset Hounds offered for sale or males offered at stud must be presented honestly regarding their pedigrees, their potential as bred and their faults or the fault possibilities that may develop in maturity.
6. Members of the Basset Hound Club of America will follow good business practices and ethics in breeding and sales contracts and will honor all agreements. Written agreements in all dealings regarding Basset Hounds are strongly encouraged.
7. No member of this club shall engage in the wholesaling of litters or the selling of breeding stock to commercial sales operations ("puppy mills"). No member will offer or supply Basset Hounds for prizes, raffles or lotteries.
8. No member shall engage in false or misleading advertising or misrepresentation of his/her Basset Hounds or those of competitors.
9. Members will practice the principles of good sportsmanship, considering competition to be a challenge, not a threat.
10. All members of the Basset Hound Club of America shall conduct themselves in all aspects of the sport of dogs in a manner designed to reflect credit upon our breed and our club.

I/We have read the Guidelines of Ethical Conduct and agree to abide by them.

Applicant Signature and date: _____

Co-Applicant Signature and date: _____

Membership dues: (Annual membership dues include receipt of the Tally Ho newsletter):

\$38.00 for individual and family memberships; \$15.00 for Juniors; \$48.00 for local clubs. For non-U.S. Residents, add \$23.00 for Canada and \$40 for all other countries for required postage charge to receive the Tally Ho. Remit in U.S. funds only. Make all checks payable to the Basset Hound Club of America, Inc. **NOTE:** Applicants residing outside the U. S. are eligible to vote, but cannot hold office in the BHCA. Junior members cannot vote or hold office.

**The application process may take up to 6 months due to Tally Ho deadlines and BHCA By-Laws requirements.
Please note: Incomplete applications will be returned to sender.**

Mail completed application, two (2) sponsor forms, signed Guidelines of Ethical Conduct and dues to:

Bobbi Brandt, Corresponding Secretary, 11401 Gamache Drive, Anchorage, AK 99516, Tel: (907) 346-1849.

Optional: () I have also enclosed an additional contribution by separate check to the AKC's Basset Hound Donor Advised Fund/Canine Health Foundation in the amount of \$ _____. Contributions to the Fund are tax deductible.

Below for Club use only - (Leave Blank)

Published: _____ Accepted _____ Rejected _____ Date Approved _____

Dues Received: Yes _____ No _____ Total Amount Received \$ _____

Dues Received \$ _____ Basset Donor Advised Fund Contribution: \$ _____

