The American Kennel Club
Everything We Do, We Do For Dogs

The American Kennel Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting responsible dog ownership, preserving purebred dogs, the health and well-being of all dogs, and advocating for science-based canine policy that is reasonable, enforceable and non-discriminatory.

Did you know?

- **AKC is the world's largest all-breed dog registry and dog sport organization.**
- **AKC has approximately 5,000 local and breed-based dog clubs throughout the U.S.**
- **AKC sanctions over *29,000 dog events per year with more than 3.5 million entries,* including breed conformation, agility, obedience, field trials, and more.**
- **AKC events can *inject on average more than $2.15 million into the community* during each event.**
- **Nationwide, AKC dog events can *generate more than $2.7 billion a year* in local spending.**
- **AKC's *Detection Dog Task Force* works to help address the shortage of high-quality U.S. -bred and -trained explosive detection dogs to protect public safety and national security.**
- **For more than 15 years, AKC Humane Fund has provided *grants to shelters that house victims of domestic abuse with their pets.***
- ***The AKC Museum of the Dog preserves, interprets, and celebrates the role of dogs in society and educates the public about the human-canine bond through its 1,700-piece rotating collection and 4,000-volume library.***
- **AKC Pet Disaster Relief program helps local Emergency Management *provide animal care services immediately following a disaster,* including a donation of a trailer stocked with essential supplies to *house over 65 pets in the critical first few days* following a disaster. To date, more than 114 *emergency relief trailers* have been donated to communities around the nation.**
- **AKC Canine Health Foundation *funds research projects* that focus on all aspects of the physical, mental, and social well-being of dogs. AKC CHF's *more than $75 million in grants* has resulted in o*ver 1,214 research grants*, countless canine health projects, and over 1,033 *peer-reviewed publications.***
- **AKC Reunite has reunited more than *700,000 lost pets with their owners, donates microchip scanners to shelters,* and helps reunite pets displaced by storms and other disasters. The Adopt A K9 Cop Program has *donated funding for more than 800 police K-9s.***
- **AKC's Rescue Network provides *financial assistance to non-profit rescue groups. More than 450 AKC Rescue Network groups* are located across the U.S.; the largest rescue network in America.**
- **AKC has a dedicated team of field agents who *visit and inspect kennels to educate breeders and ensure proper care and conditions* of AKC-registered dogs and accurate record keeping. Since 2000, AKC field agents have conducted over 83*,000 inspections nationwide.***
- **AKC created the Canine Good Citizen program - A 10-step test that encourages and certifies dogs who have good manners. *Over 1,287,000 dogs* have earned CGC certification.**
- **AKC provides teachers nationwide with academically rigorous lesson plans and activities that incorporate core subject areas for grades K-12 and teach about responsible dog ownership.**
- **AKC, in 2023, created the not-for-profit Purebred Preservation Bank (AKC PPB), an endeavor to assist in the preservation of purebred dogs, maintain genetic materials and continue the breeding of healthy litters.**
- **And much more!**

AKC professional policy staff are available to assist you with any canine issues or questions.
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