**PENSACOLA DOG FANCIER’S ASSOCIATION, INC. (PDFA)**

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Pensacola Dog Fancier Association takes membership in our club very seriously. The Club offers several types of membership to individuals, all of which require sponsorship by two current Regular Members and a vote of acceptance by a majority of the Club.

New individuals wishing to apply must start as Juniors or Associate membership applicant. Regular membership is open only to those who are residents of the United States, in good standing with the American Kennel Club, who display a sincere, continuing interest in bettering the Sports of Purebred Dogs, and who have been an Associate Member for one year or more. Applicants must attend two (2) regular meetings within a three (3) month period.

Club meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm and our Potluck Meetings at 6:30pm (Potluck dinners, members bring a covered dish). Our annual meeting with elections of officers and board members is held in November at 7:00 pm. We urge everyone to attend our member meetings and encourage club participation in events. Our end of year party is held in December with time, date and location announced at our November meeting. Board Meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm (except Dec). Members are welcome to attend. If members wish to speak or add a topic to the board meeting agenda contact the president with the topic 1-week prior to the meeting.

All Meetings are currently held at The Garden Center at **1850 N 9th Ave, Pensacola, FL 32503.**

**The primary objectives of PDFA are as follows:**

* To further the advancement of all purebred breeds of dogs while creating a warm atmosphere

for friendship and sportsmanship within PDFA.

* To protect and advance the interests of all purebred dog breeds as well as to encourage utmost sportsmanship at our dog competitions, trials, and events.
* To conduct Matches, Conformation Shows, Obedience Trials, Rally Trials and other

AKC events in accordance with the rules governed by AKC.

* To initiate continuing competition as well as educational programs and promotional events
* To encourage and maintain public interest and appreciation of quality purebred dogs.
* PDFA promotes dog shows, matches/trials, seminars, training, and many dog programs as part of the Club's public education program which is an integral part of increasing appreciation for our purebred dogs.

The club website is [www.pensacoladogs.org](http://www.pensacoladogs.org/) .

PDFA also has a Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/PDFAdogclub>

Instagram page <https://www.instagram.com/pdfadogclub/> .

Please like and share with friends and family. Participation and promotion of our Club is key to the growth and success of PDFA.

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| PDFA Board Use only | | | |
| Date of 1st read: |  | Cash |  |
| Date of 2nd read: |  | Check # |  |
| Amount Paid: |  | Other |  |

**Applicant**: We are pleased to present you with this application for membership to our club. Since we would like to aid you in becoming a member, please call on any member for assistance. Please bring the completed application to a member meeting (2nd Wednesday of each month) Application will be reviewed by the board after submission. Dues are due at the end of the second (2nd) reading/meeting that you attend. Applicants must attend two (2) meetings within a three (3) month period. ***Please print and use black or blue ink***

Type of Membership: (check one) Make checks payable to Pensacola Dog Fancier’s Association (PDFA)

Individual ($25.00) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Family \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ($35.00) Associate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (25.00)

Juniors \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Free)

**Membership Definition: All Members Must Volunteer at least one Club Event per calendar year.**

* **Individual**: One adult, over 18 (Eligible to hold office, right to one vote
* **Family**: Two adults living in the same household (Eligible to hold office, right to 2 votes.
* **Associate**: Have all rights and privileges, except no right to vote or hold office.
* **Juniors**: Same as Associate but **MUST** be under the age of 18, with parent consent. (Volunteer for events optional).

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Primary Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Your Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Special Skills: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you now or have you been in the past 5 years, a member of other dog clubs or judging? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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(Please note club, year join, and any positions, offices, committees, Judging experience etc.)

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What kind of purebred dogs you own: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Call name and titles optional, use back of form if more space is needed)

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Do you breed? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Your Kennel: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you in good standing with the AKC? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in joining PDFA? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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I am interested in the following activities (Check all that apply):

\_\_\_\_Conformation \_\_\_\_Rally \_\_\_\_Obedience \_\_\_\_Breeding \_\_\_Grooming

\_\_\_General Knowledge \_\_\_\_Scent Work \_\_\_\_\_Fit Dog \_\_\_\_Trick Dog \_\_\_\_Other

List other interest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, hereby apply for membership in the Pensacola Dog Fancier Association and agree to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Pensacola Dog Fancier Association, and the American Kennel Club now and hereafter made. I have read the questions set forth on this application and answered the same truthfully and fully.

Signature of Applicant(s):

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**AKC** **Code** **of** **Sportsmanship**

* Sportsmen respect the history, traditions, and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
* Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
* Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
* The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
* The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
* The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge’s placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
* The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
* The sportsman respects the AKC by-laws, rules, regulations, and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
* Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
* Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
* Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
* Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
* Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
* Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
* Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.

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**Release** **of** **Liability**

I (we) agree to hold Pensacola Dog Fancier’s Association, Inc. (PDFA), its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, show secretary, and the owner or lessor of the premises and any employees of the aforementioned parties, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the site, grounds, trial premises or grounds near any entrance there to in which any club function or activity is held, and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes.

I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation at any club function or activity, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by or may be alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

As a fancier of Purebred dogs, I/we wish to apply for membership to this club. I/we the undersigned do agree to abide by the constitution & Bylaws of the Pensacola Dog Fanciers’ Association, Inc., the PDFA Code of Ethics and the rules of the American Kennel Club.

Signature of Applicant:

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Return to membership chair*

Participation and promotion of our Club is key to the growth and success of PDFA. All club members need to volunteer. This is just a few ideas; we need your help in all areas of the club. Please check all that you would be interested in or add any ideas that you might have.

**Members Services**

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|  | Membership |  | Dog Trainer |  | Dog Trainer Assistant |
|  | Annual Member Awards |  | Seminars |  | Meeting Program |
|  | News Bulletin/Newsletter |  | Library/Historian |  | AKC Delegate |
|  | Meeting Hospitality |  | Christmas/Holiday Party |  | Membership Picnic |
|  | Equipment |  | Nomination Committee |  | Sunshine |
|  | Photographer |  |  |  | Any open Committee Position |

**PUBLIC SERVICES**

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|  | Fundraiser |  | Special events/Demos |  |  |
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**Show Committee**

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|  | Gate (collecting admissions at entrance gate) |  | Steward (experienced or willing to learn) |  |  |
|  | Taking entries |  | Trophies (planning, and or buying) |  | Trophies (presenting) |
|  | Grounds (Setting up and/or tearing down on the day of the event, show, or trial; parking, posting signs and arrows) |  | Breed Education Booth |  | Hospitality & Transportation |
|  | Catalog Sales |  | Catalog Advertising |  | Vendors |
|  | Show Chair |  | Show/Assistant Chair |  |  |
|  | Awards |  | Judge Selection |  |  |
|  | AKC Shows |  | Rally Trials |  | Obedience Trials |
|  | Other: (where can you help, any special skills) |  |  |  |  |
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**Board Member**

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|  | President |  | Vice President |  | Treasurer |
|  | Recording Secretary |  | Corresponding Secretary |  | Board Member |
|  | Delegate |  |  |  |  |

**COMMUNICATIONS**

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|  | Website |  | Publicity/Advertising |  | Legislative |
|  | Public Information/Social Media |  |  |  |  |
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**Return this form to the Membership Chair:**

Penny Hamilton

7406 Hidden Valley RD

Pensacola, FL 32526