

# Boykin Spaniel Society® Preferred Breeder Program Application

Applicant Name

Mailing Address

Telephone Number(s)

Email address

Office Use Only

- Regular Member  
Expires \_\_\_\_\_
- Sponsor Member  
Expires \_\_\_\_\_
- Life Member
- Member Information File checked
- Office needs to be contacted

This application is for:

Silver Level

Gold Level

***This is a 2 page document***

## All Applicants Complete this Section

- In **every** breeding in which I participate as owner of the sire or the dam or both, I hereby attest that **both** breeding mates shall first have been DNA tested by an OFA-recognized genetics testing laboratory for Exercise Induced Collapse and also for Collie Eye Anomaly. If one of the mating pair is not documented as Clear for any one of those two particular traits, the other dog shall be documented as Clear for that same particular trait.<sup>1 2</sup>
- In every breeding in which I participate as owner of the sire or the dam or both, I hereby attest that **both** breeding mates shall first have been classified by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) as Fair or better for hip joint structure (hip dysplasia appraisal).<sup>3</sup>
- In every breeding in which I participate as owner of the sire or the dam or both, I hereby attest that both breeding mates shall first have been OFA-certified as Normal for heart disease and eye disease. In lieu of OFA certification, I will fulfill the above cardiac and eye requirements by attaching to this Preferred Breeder Program application the same appropriate original documentation prepared by veterinarians as would be required by the OFA in order to obtain an OFA clearance certificate for that dog.<sup>4</sup>
- In every breeding in which I participate as owner of the sire or the dam or both, I hereby attest that clear and concise written contracts of sale shall be utilized to document the transfer of every puppy, that every contract is signed by breeder and buyer, and that the contract language states that the buyer must obtain a valid Boykin Spaniel Society Certificate of Registration.<sup>5</sup>
- I agree that whether I am the owner of the sire or as of the dam, I will record (a) all Boykin spaniel litters which I produce, (b) the puppies, and (c) the purchasers of those puppies. I will retain those records for a minimum of five (5) years after the date of whelping.<sup>6</sup>

*Silver Level applicants complete the following section*

*Gold Level applicants skip to the next section*

## Silver Level Application

- In every breeding in which I participate as owner of the sire or the dam or both, I hereby acknowledge that I am expected to verify that both breeding mates shall have been DNA tested by an OFA-recognized genetics testing laboratory for Degenerative Myelopathy (DM) and that at least one of the mating pair will have been documented as Clear for DM.<sup>7</sup>
- In every breeding in which I participate as owner of the sire or the dam or both, I hereby acknowledge that I am expected to verify that both breeding mates shall have been veterinarian-certified as Normal for Patellar Luxation according to OFA protocol. I attach the same appropriate original documentation prepared by veterinarians as would be required by the OFA in order to obtain an OFA clearance certificate for that dog.<sup>8</sup>
- I consent to be audited or inspected by a Society Director at any time, for any reason.<sup>9</sup>

### Gold Level Application

- In every breeding in which I participate as owner of the sire or the dam or both, I hereby attest that both breeding mates shall have been DNA tested by an OFA-recognized genetics testing laboratory for Degenerative Myelopathy (DM) and that at least one of the mating pair will have been documented as Clear for DM.<sup>10</sup>
- In every breeding in which I participate as owner of the sire or the dam or both, I hereby attest that both breeding mates shall have been veterinarian-certified as Normal for Patellar Luxation according to OFA protocol. I attach the same appropriate original documentation prepared by veterinarians as would be required by the OFA in order to obtain an OFA clearance certificate for that dog, or the OFA certificate.<sup>11</sup>
- I hereby attest that I have a historical record of breeding Boykin spaniels for a minimum of 5 years, registering their litters with the Society, and have no documented Code of Ethics violations during that time. I understand that this does not mean that my 5 years must be consecutive years, nor does it necessarily mean breeding in the most-previous 5 years.<sup>12</sup>
- I hereby attest that at least one of the breeding dogs registered in my name with the Society, or that a Society-registered direct offspring from one of my breedings, has earned a title in a field trial or hunt test of a performance program recognized by the Society.<sup>13</sup>
- I will allow customers and potential customers to visit my kennels (that portion of my property where breeding dogs and puppy litters are regularly kept), and I will actively encourage them to do so.<sup>14</sup>
- I consent to be audited or inspected by a Society Director at any time, for any reason.<sup>15</sup>

### All Applicants Complete this Section

- I hereby acknowledge that a condition of my Society membership-in-good-standing is my agreement to adhere to the standards of conduct mandated by the Society's Constitution, By-Laws and Code of Ethics; and that the Board of Directors retains the authority and the discretion to suspend or remove any breeder from the Preferred Breeders Program upon the filing of a complaint or a finding of a violation of the Society's Code of Ethics.<sup>16</sup>
- I hereby acknowledge that Board of Directors may, at its discretion, amend the Preferred Breeders Program at any time.<sup>17</sup>
- I understand that if I am accepted into the Preferred Breeders Program, that re-application is required every two years, but that I may submit an application for a change in level at any time.<sup>18</sup>
- If I am accepted into the Preferred Breeders Program, I agree to the publication and any other release of my identity in The Boykin Spaniel Society Magazine, as content of the Society's websites or social media sites, or through all manner of communication by Society employees and/or Directors to prospective buyers of puppies.<sup>19</sup>

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Applicant Signature

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Date

### Attachment Checklist

- Attachment 1 Dog Information
- Gold Level applicants: A written statement which describes how you meet the "five year past history" requirement. Include the registration number of the sire or dam, and the year(s) in which the breeding occurred.
- Any/all required supplements to Attachment 1 info
- Gold Level applicants: Photocopy of the performance title certificate meeting the requirement (only provide one) and mark on the photocopy a complete description of this dog's relationship to your breeding program

| <b>Attachment 1 Dog Information</b> |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| Name on Registration                |  |  |
| Registration Number                 |  |  |
| Male or Female?                     |  |  |
| OFA Hips cert. number*              |  |  |
| OFA Eyes cert. number**             |  |  |
| OFA Heart cert. number***           |  |  |
| OFA Patella cert. number***         |  |  |
| OFA DNA – EIC cert. number          |  |  |
| OFA DNA – CEA cert. number          |  |  |
| OFA DNA – DM cert. number           |  |  |
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| OFA DNA – CEA cert. number          |  |  |
| OFA DNA – DM cert. number           |  |  |

Use this sheet to list all of the dogs registered in your name which might be used by you for breeding. **Complete additional copies if necessary.** You may add more dogs to your record at any time by re-submitting this form with the relevant information pertaining to that dog or those dogs only.

\* Alternatives to OFA's hip classification process are not acceptable, even if OFA assigns a number.

\*\* If an OFA eye certification does not exist for this dog, you **must** attach the same original certification paper completed by the DACVO ophthalmologist at the time of the examination. Although the position of ACVO is that eye examination reports are only valid for one year, and repeated exams will better assure that inheritable eye diseases do not exist, your failure to have current eye examinations will not automatically disqualify you.

\*\*\* In lieu of OFA certification numbers, you may attach the relevant OFA certification form(s) with the original signature of the examining veterinarian (no copies) and his/her contact information.

REGARDING DNA ANALYSIS FOR DISEASE: If you do not have OFA certificates for any of these three items, you **must** attach a certificate of authenticity from the DNA testing laboratory **and** have given the testing lab your permission to discuss your dog's test results with us. We **will** contact the lab to verify.