



UNITED STATES NEAPOLITAN MASTIFF CLUB

~ Petition for Reinstatement of Lapsed Membership ~

Please Mail or Scan and Send to:
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New Ulm, 78950

Forms can be scanned and sent to: Dogma908@yahoo.com

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Article 1, Membership Section 4, b) Lapse. A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid thirty (30) days after the 31st day of January of each year. Upon petition and good cause shown, the Board may grant, in its discretion, retroactive relief for a member due to a delinquency beyond the extended deadline. In no case may a person whose dues are owing and unpaid be entitled to vote at any Club or Board meeting, nominate others for office, or run for office.

I, (or) we, _____,
(Petitioner's Printed Name) (2nd Petitioner's Name if Lapsed Membership was Full Family)

~ have let my (our) USNMC Membership lapse due to the delinquency of paying membership dues beyond the extended deadline of thirty (30) days after the 31st of January of the year: _____ ;

~ am (are) in good standing with the American Kennel Club; subscribe to the Constitution of the United States Neapolitan Mastiff Club; whose membership was not terminated by expulsion or resignation;

~ wish to continue USNMC Membership; and hereby Petition the USNMC Board of Directors to grant, in its discretion, retroactive relief i.e.; Reinstatement of my (our) Membership with the requirement of paying dues for this year and then renewing normally next year. No "back dues" are owed.

I (We) agree to abide by the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution, Bylaws and Code of Ethics of the USNMC. I (We) further agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the AKC: the American Kennel Club. I (We) understand that purposeful action in violation of the Rules, Bylaws and Code of Ethics of the USNMC or actions consistently contrary to the support of the USNMC Club or the AKC or the Neapolitan Mastiff Breed will jeopardize my Membership in the USNMC.

SIGNATURE: _____

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(2nd Signature Only if Lapsed Membership was Full Family)

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

ADDRESS: _____ COUNTRY: _____
(Street Address, City, State & Zip Code)

PHONE(s): _____ Other Phone(s) _____

EMAIL: _____

2nd Petitioner's email if for Full Family Membership: _____

KENNEL NAME (If Applicable): _____

YOUR WEBSITE ADDRESS (If Applicable for business or dogs): _____

YOUR FACEBOOK NAME OR ADDRESS (If Applicable): _____

(OPTIONAL) OCCUPATION(s) or Former OCCUPATION(s) IF RETIRED: _____

(OPTIONAL) Past Training; Positions Held; Organizational, Fundraising or Other Skills that might be helpful to a Dog Club or any Club:

_____ Is there anything else you'd like to add about yourself?:

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR FORMER MEMBERSHIP TYPE

<u>*FullIndividualMembership</u> \$35.00	<u>SubscriberMember</u>	\$35.00
<u>*FullFamilyMembership</u> \$50.00	<u>InternationalSubscriberMember</u>	\$60.00
	<u>Jr.Membership</u> (10-17yrs of age)	\$35.00

SPONSOR NAMES & FORMER SPONSOR FORMS SHOULD BE ON FILE ~ PLEASE CHECK WITH THE USNMC SECRETARY

PAYMENT

- 1) Please include your CHECK, POSTAL or MONEY ORDER or PAYPAL RECEIPT and Signed USNMC CODE OF ETHICS ("COE") with this Signed Petition for Reinstatement of Membership Form if mailing through regular mail [non-email]
- 2) Please make out the CHECK, POSTAL or MONEY ORDER to USNMC.
For faster processing use the USNMC Paypal account: usnmcstore@gmail.com (Please include a short note with payment to Paypal)
- 3) Please send all to: USNMC Secretary, P.O. Box 1245, New Ulm, TX 78950
Forms can also be scanned and sent to: Dogma908@yahoo.com

If you have questions about Membership please contact Membership Chair Debbie Priester at fou.paws@yahoo.com

I (We), _____, have enclosed the Check, Postal or Money Order or have paid through Paypal in the amount of \$_____ for the Petition for Reinstatement of Membership indicated above. In the event that the Petition for Reinstatement of Membership is rejected, I (we) understand that this payment will be returned to me (us). I (We) understand that ALL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE RENEWED ON JANUARY 31st OF EACH YEAR, REGARDLESS OF WHEN PAYMENT WAS ACCEPTED BY THE USNMC.

Did your Membership Lapse because (circle all that apply): Procrastination Illness Too Busy
 No Reason Financial Concerns Forgot To Renew Wasn't A Priority In My Life
 Club Was Disorganized Disgruntlement Ineffective Management Club Was Out Of Touch
 Dissatisfaction Frustration Personal Reasons NOT Related To The Club or
 Personal Reasons That WERE Related To The Club

What would make things better? _____

Why are you renewing? _____

How do you think your Membership can make a difference? _____

Members' Names, Membership Type and State of Residence are included in the USNMC Membership Booklet

What other information of yours may be included if your membership is reinstated? *(Please circle all that apply)*

Mailing Address Phone Email Kennel Name Your Website Address

USNMC Website Membership Listing

Members' Verifiable Info for the Public: Name, State of Residence & Membership Type is listed on the USNMC Website

If you become a Member, what information of yours may be included on the USNMC Website and/or other online venues?

Phone Email Kennel Name Your Website Address

About You [Some questions are for statistical purposes only]

I have owned a Neapolitan Mastiff (s) for _____ year(s) or I've owned _____ Neapolitan Mastiff(s) in the past: _____ years ago. How many Neapolitan Mastiffs do you currently own _____ . Are you new to the breed or are you currently thinking of owning a Neapolitan Mastiff? _____ . Are you a breeder? _____ . If you are a breeder, approximately how many litters do you breed per year? _____ . I have been a Neapolitan Mastiff Breeder in the past: _____ years ago and bred _____ litter(s) per year. At present, I register all my Neapolitan Mastiffs with the AKC _____ ; and /or with (if any) _____ registry. As a breeder do you require spay/neuter of pet quality puppies/adults? _____ . Do you register non-breeding puppies/adults with the AKC under Limited Registration? _____ . Do you register your litters with individual AKC puppy registration with your kennel name in addition to litter registration? _____ Do you agree to take back dogs that you have placed or sold if the owner cannot keep them for the life of the dog/puppy? _____ . If you are a breeder or plan to breed, do you or would you cross-breed the Neapolitan Mastiff? _____ . If you're a breeder, do you have your breeding animals DNA'd for future identification if needed? _____ Are you an exhibitor of Neapolitan Mastiffs or other breeds – please state: _____ Are you a Judge: AKC? ___ FCI? ___ Do you own a rescued Neapolitan Mastiff(s)? _____ . Do you offer help to rescue organizations that rescue Neapolitan Mastiffs or other?(please state) _____ . If so, help to Local or National (or both)? _____ . If so, was this help in monetary form, support, foster care, transport, evaluation, fundraising, etc? _____ . If you have not bred or rescued your dog, how did you acquire your Neapolitan Mastiff (s)? _____ . If through a breeder, is/was the breeder a USNMC member ? _____ .

Would you like to volunteer for USNMC Events, Activities or Committee(s)? _____

Would you like to offer a TROPHY(s) or a Rosette(s) for USNMC Regional or National Specialties? _____
 (Trophy Fundraiser: Various Trophy and Rosettes in various dollar amounts are available - \$30 and up. You can team up to donate with a friend, or donate with your name(s), kennel name(s), donate "In Memory Of" or donate with your business name, etc – this is one of the most important fundraisers during the year along with the Annual Auction that takes place at the USNMC National Specialty each year)

For further information on USNMC Specialty Trophies and other Donations

Show Trophies: Rachel Hosking at usnmc_treasurer@gmail.com

Upon receipt of your Membership Application and Code of Ethics Form ("COE"), (And Sponsor Forms if Applicable!), the Membership Committee will send you USNMC Materials through email if you supply one, or through regular post if you do not have email. The *approximate* time-frame is about 5-7 weeks . During holiday seasons or if regular scheduled Board meetings are post-poned, the membership process may take longer. Please contact Membership Chair Debbie Priester at fou.paws@yahoo.com for questions about membership. These materials will be included or your review:

A Copy of the USNMC Constitution and Bylaws
 Information about the Breed and the USNMC
 The AKC Standard for the Neapolitan Mastiff

During the waiting period, you will also receive regular USNMC Newsletters, Publications & Announcements

Please visit the club website at www.neapolitan.org and please visit the USNMC Open Page on Facebook

For Club Use Only – Do not write in this space! Date Application Received: _____ Minutes Date: _____
 Check/M.O. # _____ Paypal?: _____ Amount: \$ _____ Date Accepted: _____
 Date Rejected: _____ Other: _____

ALL MEMBERS AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF ETHICS SET FORTH HERIEIN BY THE MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES NEAPOLITAN MASTIFF CLUB:

- 1) I will provide proper housing, food, health care, safety, training and loving environment for my dog(s).
- 2) I will ensure that the offspring of all my breeding can be properly registered with the AKC. My Neapolitan Mastiff stud dog(s) and brood bitch(es) will be registered before being bred and I will possess proper legal pedigree documentation for each before I breed it (them).
- 3) I will keep the Neapolitan Mastiff purebred and not condone or participate in any cross-breeding. I will not knowingly sell a dog to someone whom I believe or have reason to believe cross-breeds Neapolitan Mastiffs.
- 4) I recognize my own responsibility to directly qualify those who would buy and own puppies produced by my breeding. I will not sell to pet stores, department stores or to or through those who purchase with intention to resell (brokers). I will not sell litters in their entirety.
- 5) I will not knowingly sell to anyone suspected of using dogs for illegal/immoral purposes (i.e. drug affiliated, laboratory use, or fighting)
- 6) If a purchaser wishes to return any dog I have provided to them, whether or not it is of my breeding, I will honor the physical return of the dog to me rather than jeopardize its future in an unwanted home or dog pound. While I am not required to refund money, I will honor all written or verbal contracts or agreements I have made.
- 7) I will not breed males or females before they are physically mature and can be assessed as being worthy of being bred. I will not breed either a male or a female before they are 12 months of age. I will not breed females prior to the second heat cycle. I will not cause a female to whelp litters more than two out of three consecutive heat cycles. I will not breed a female who has already whelped five litters. I will not breed or give stud service to animals I consider unsound or pet-quality.
- 8) I will be honest with each buyer in my representation of each puppy and dog and of its true show or breeding potential as well as of the status of its registration paperwork.
- 9) I will provide each buyer of a puppy or dog from me with proper paperwork and pedigree documentation unless there is a written, signed agreement made before the sale that such paperwork is not to accompany the dog. No puppy will leave the litter before 8 weeks of age.
- 10) When at dog shows and other functions I will behave in a sportsman-like manner and I will dress accordingly. No dog owned or handled by me will be allowed to demonstrate aggressive behavior at show sites. I will not knowingly allow my dogs to cause damage at hotels or other facilities or on the show grounds or in other areas while at a show. I will clean up after my dog.
- 11) I will be knowledgeable about the Neapolitan Mastiff and the needs of my dogs. I will assist those interested in the Neapolitan Mastiff with correct information regarding basic health, safety and welfare of the breed as well as pertaining to the club, shows, meetings and other functions.
- 12) I support the Goals and Objectives of the USNMC which are:
 - a) To support the AKC registry for the Neapolitan Mastiff;
 - b) To maintain a standard for the Neapolitan Mastiff that reflects the standard of the country of origin;
 - c) To provide training to judges of the Neapolitan Mastiff across the country;
 - d) To support and provide forums (shows) across the country for owners and breeders to exhibit their dogs, to have them assessed against the standard and to achieve championships;
 - e) To act as a central source for information and education about the breed.
- 13) I will regard this Code of Ethics as a minimum standard of ethical behavior and I will accept no less in those with whom I do business.
- 14) I will work to the betterment of the club to the best of my ability and I will encourage others to do likewise.

As a member of the USNMC I realize that I represent the club and the breed. I understand that purposeful actions in violation of this code of ethics or actions consistently contrary to the support of the club and the breed may result in suspension or expulsion from the club according to the USNMC Constitution and Bylaws.

Signature of Applicant(s): _____ / _____ Date: _____