

## ALAA Rules and Regulations

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### **RULE #1**

A breeder must join the ALAA as a Member Breeder. A breeder pays an annual membership fee in order to maintain membership status with the ALAA. Membership renewals are due by the last day of the member's anniversary month. If a membership is deactivated for non-renewal, the member has 60 days to renew and pay the current published rate for reactivation. If a membership lapses, the breeder must rejoin the ALAA and pay the then-current published rates for both joining and membership.

- A 1st renewal notice on the first of the month they are due.
- A 2nd renewal notice on the first of the month after renewal month.
- A 3rd renewal notice is a deactivation notice. (Note: a Member Breeder's renewal month is the month they first applied to the ALAA for membership, not the month they are accepted.)

\*As of 7/1/22, All breeders applying for membership must own 1 intact Australian Labradoodle. In addition any Labradoodle, Labrador Retriever, Poodle, Cocker Spaniel, or Cockapoo used in the breeder's Australian Labradoodle breeding program must also be registered with the ALAA to remain active or apply to be a Member Breeder. An active breeding program must have a working website and produce litters or maintain a stud service program.

### **RULE #2**

A Member Breeder must abide by the ALAA Code of Ethics.

### **Rule #3**

A Member Breeder must request a Kennel Prefix and pay the applicable fee. A Kennel Prefix is the name that will appear at the beginning of a puppy's Registered Name to identify a puppy's breeding kennel. For example, if a Kennel Prefix is "Cedar Park," a newly registered puppy named Rufus would be officially known as "Cedar Park Rufus." A Kennel Prefix may not be duplicated. If a Member Breeder is already using the prefix requested, then the applicant must select another.

### **Rule #4**

A Breeder must register all breeding dogs owned or leased that are used in their Australian Labradoodle breeding program including Labradoodles, Poodles, Labrador Retrievers, Cocker Spaniels, Cockapoos and any derivatives. Dogs must be registered before they may be bred. Instructions and forms can be found on the ALAA website at: [alaa-labradoodles.com/for-breeders/breeder-registration-and-fees/](http://alaa-labradoodles.com/for-breeders/breeder-registration-and-fees/)

### **Rule #5**

For any dog owned by or bred by an ALAA Member Breeder, including outside stud dogs or leased bitches, required health testing must be submitted and met before the dog may be bred.

### **Rule #6**

A Member Breeder must register all litters produced in their breeding program within 120 days of whelp with the correct dam and sire listed. Breeders are required to provide correct information on pedigree and parentage. Failure to comply results in immediate dismissal from the ALAA. DNA parentage must be proven for all puppies in the litter of dual sired litters. Knowing falsifying the sire of a litter will result in immediate and permanent termination from the ALAA.

### **Rule #7**

A breeder must submit a Health Warranty/Guarantee to the ALAA registrar at [registrar@alaalabradoodles.com](mailto:registrar@alaalabradoodles.com). That Warranty/Guarantee must be given to clients for all puppies sold. It is the responsibility of the Member Breeder to draft a health warranty/guarantee in accordance with a specific state, county, or country legal requirements in which they live. The ALAA disclaims any liability from the use of such a document.

### **Rule #8**

A Member Breeder must supply his clients with the appropriate ALAA documents for each dog or puppy sold, lent, given, or leased to other parties within 90 days of the date of completion of the sales contract or after proof of spay/neuter has been provided by those on contracts. These documents include:

- For Puppies Sold as Pets:
  - ALAA Puppy Registration Certificate
- For Puppies or dogs sold as Breeding Stock:
  - Signed Transfer of Ownership Form
  - Any available testing results
  - Official ALAA Pedigree

### **Rule #9**

Each Member Breeder must provide a DNA profile from PawPrint Genetics for all breeding stock prior to the dog being bred and grants the ALAA a perpetual, royalty-free, non-exclusive license to retain, share, sub-license, use, and exploit the DNA Profile in connection with any effort by the ALAA or other parties to verify, examine, or authenticate parentage, lineage, or any aspect of any dog's genetics, heritage or background.

### **Rule #10**

The Member, immediately following the possible infraction with a formal request for assistance, response, and action, should report infractions to the Rules and Regulations and/or Code of Ethics to the ALAA Quality Assurance Officer. This immediate request will be reviewed, and the ALAA response to the infraction may result in deactivation, suspension, fine and/or probation.

### **Rule #11**

A Member Breeder must indicate the breed and description of the breeding dogs on their website according to the ALAA Grading Scheme.

### **Rule #12**

Member Breeders must not use their ALAA website to market non-ALAA registerable dogs.

### **Rule #13**

A Member Breeder participating in the Paw Rewards testing program must indicate in the litter description on their website if they hire an outside stud that is not tested to the same Paw level as the dogs in their own program. A minimum of hips and elbows are required for all dogs used in a Member Breeder's program.

### **Rule #14**

A Member Breeder must display ALAA registered names and numbers and all call names for all breeding dogs on their website.

### **Rule #15**

A Member Breeder seeking to register a dog not already in the ALAA database can qualify their dog under a "traceable" format.

The "100% traceable" registration requirements are:

- American Kennel Club or Canadian Kennel Club registration names must be provided on all purebred dogs (Labrador Retrievers, Poodles, and Cocker Spaniels) in a six-generation pedigree.

### **Rule #16**

A Member Breeder seeking to breed Cockapoo or Cocker Spaniel Infusion litters must follow all rules and requirements of the ALAA Infusion Program: <https://alaa-labradoodles.com/forbreeders/breeder-faq/#infusion>

### **Rule #17**

Breeders may not intentionally breed Merle patterned dogs. If a Merle patterned dog is unknowingly produced, the Member Breeder must agree to spay/neuter all Merle patterned dogs produced before they leave the Breeder's premises and they must be registered with "Limited" registration.

### **Rule #18**

Member Breeders are required to display the individualized ALAA Logo listing their ALAA Member Breeder Number and a valid date provided by ALAA. Any old ALAA, ILA, and Silver/Gold Paw Logos are never to be used in advertisements again. If you are found to have the old logos or any outdated individualized logos (ALAA, Gold, or Silver) in your advertising, you will be deactivated from the current Member Breeder listing until this ruling is complied with. In order to expand the reach of the ALAA and to foster good relations with the recognition of our organization, Member Breeders are required to link their individualized ALAA Logo back to the Member Breeders Listing page on the ALAA website:  
<https://ilainc.net/guest/breedersearch.aspx>

### **Rule #19**

I agree to test all breeding stock for hip dysplasia prior to breeding and I shall not breed with a dog that does not meet the minimum health testing requirements for membership. Dogs registered after 1/1/23 must also submit PRA and EIC dna tests results to meet the minimum health testing requirements for membership.

### **Rule #20**

I will not sell or trade my dogs to any commercial animal wholesalers, brokers, or retail pet dealers/traders.

### **Rule #21**

I shall not sell or place a puppy younger than 8 weeks.

### **Rule #22**

I will desex or place under a spay/neuter contract all non-breeding puppies.

### **Rule #23**

I shall tag all puppies I produce, sell or trade with permanent identification in the form of a microchip.

### **Rule #24**

I agree to a kennel inspection and audit if requested by ALAA officers or their regional representatives.

### **Rule #25**

I will supply the purchaser and the ALAA with a copy of my program's guarantee (The ALAA understands that the extent of each breeder's guarantee will be different, but it requires that all buyers become familiar with a breeder's guarantee before any booking/deposit/purchase has been completed).

### **Rule #26**

I am aware that it is a criminal act to use an ALAA banner or logos if I am not accredited or if I am suspended or awaiting suspension.

**Rule #27**

I shall not purposefully breed from any bitch before she has reached twelve months of age and complete breeding prior to her 7th birthday.

**Rule #28**

I recognize that to be reinstated, any member who has been suspended, has voluntarily removed themselves or has requested to leave the ALAA must be approved by a unanimous vote of ALAA officers, as well as meet all basic membership requirements.

**Rule #29**

Members may not share their login information to the ALAA proprietary database, password protected intellectual property and member only communications unless they have received authorization from the Board.