General regulations regarding registration of puppies/dogs in Svenska Kennelklubben

The dog is registered in one of the following registers: The SE, the AS, or the X register. The general regulations regarding registration of puppies/dogs apply to all three registers.

In the SE register, dogs with an approved FCI pedigree in three generations are registered. In the AS-register, dogs of a breed not recognized by the FCI but nationally recognized in their country of origin by a kennel club recognized by the SKK, and recognized by Svenska Kennelklubben, are registered. In the X-register, dogs that, for some reason, do not meet the criteria for registration in the SE or AS register are registered; read more about the X register below.

Please note there may also be specific regulations for the breed in question.

- 1. The puppy shall be registrered in the country where the breeder normally has his residence.
- 2. For direct registration the application for registration for a puppy has to be submitted to Svenska Kennelklubben within 5 months from birth and both parents have to be of the same breed and registered in Svenska Kennelklubben.
- 3. In case there are different sizes, coats and/or colour varieties in the breed standard, mating between the variaties is normally allowed. If mating between varieties is prohibited it will be stated under the specific regulations for the breed in question.
- 4. Progeny of a male dog who does not have two apparently normal testicles fully descended into the scrotum cannot be registered. If the father of the puppy which you wish to register does not have an official result at a dog show, or have progeny previously registered in Svenska Kennelklubben, you need to provide a veterinary certificate issued after 6 months of age, stating that both testicles are normal and fully descended into the scrotum.
- 5. It is the breeder only who is entitled to register a puppy within Svenska Kennelklubben. The registration certificate will never be sent to anyone but the breeder. By breeder we mean the person(s) who held the breeding rights of the bitch (mother) at the time of mating.
- 6. The breeder must be a minimum age of 18 years and be member of a club (provincial kennel club or breed club/special club) affiliated to Svenska Kennelklubben.
- The breeder must have applied and paid for a kennel name (prefix) at the latest in connection with the registration application for the breeder's third litter born after 1 January 1985.
- 8. A person may not register a dog within Svenska Kennelklubben, or sign a mating agreement, if he/she has been excluded from the SKK organisation by the SKK Disciplinary Board *or* has been suspended by a Nordic kennel club or the FCI *or* has been suspended from handling and keeping animals by the authorities. This also includes a person who cannot be accepted as a member within Svenska Kennelkubben without the endorsement from the SKK Disciplinary Board.

A person excluded from the SKK organisation, who at the time of the decision of exclusion was entitled to register dogs, still has the right to register puppies born within three months from the date of the decision of the SKK Disciplinary Board. Mating agreement signed by such a person is only accepted for puppies born within the same time limit.

A person who is granted membership within the SKK organisation after the endorsement by the SKK Disciplinary Board is only entitled to register dogs or sign a mating agreement for puppies who are born at the earliest three months after the date of the SKK Disciplinary Board decision. The minimum three months also applies if the person wants to register an imported dog, i.e. the dog can be imported at the earliest three months after three months after the date of the SKK Disciplinary Board decision.

- 9. All of the puppies born in a litter has to be registered, if still alive when the litter is registrated.
- 10. Should there be any puppy in the litter who has had its tail docked, a veterinary certificate stating that it is for veterinary reasons must be enclosed with the application for registration. Any puppy with a docked tail will be automatically banned from participating in dog shows, breeds within FCI-group 7 excepted.
- 11. Both the breeder of the puppies as well as the owner of the stud dog is obliged to cooperate and carry into effect blood samples of the bitch and stud dog in order to decide parentage/pedigree, if Svenska Kennelklubben should so decide.
- 12. Svenska Kennelklubben has the right to reject an application to register a dog, or to register a dog with limitations regarding breeding or participation in shows, trials, tests and competitions, if the general regulations regarding registration of dogs in the SKK are not met, or if the litter has not been bred in accordance with the SKK Code of Ethics, decisions regarding handling and keeping animals from the authorities or if the registration in any other way can be considered unethical.

Application for registration

The applicaton for registration must be made by using the approved form.

The following information has to be provided in the application for registration/mating agreement:

- Name, address, social security number, membership numger and kennel name (prefix) of the breeder.
- Name and address of the owner of the stud dog. By owner of the stud dog we mean the person(s) who held the breeding rights of the stud dog (father) at the time of mating.
- Name and registration number of the mother and father plus date(s) of mating.
- Breed, birth date, sex, coat type, colour and name of the dog/puppy/puppies. Maximum length of each name including kennel name (prefix) and spaces is 35 characters. Characters allowed are letters, hyphens, apostrophes and accents. Any kennel name (prefix) which does not belong to the breeder is not allowed to be included inte the dog's name. If the breeder does not have a kennel name (prefix) the maximum length of each name is 14 characters and

only one name/word is allowed (i.e. spaces are not allowed). If hyphens are used the same "first name" cannot be used for several puppies/dogs. Svenska Kennelklubben reserves the right of final approval of the name.

The application for registration must be signed by the breeder who thereby certify that the information in the application is correct and that the bitch during her heat has not been mated to another dog than the stud dog stated in the application and in case the owner of the bitch is someone else than the breeder that the owner has given consent to the mating. By signing, the breeder confirms that he/she is aware of the SKK Code of Ethics as well as the current Registration regulations. It is the obligation of the breeder to make sure all necessary documents are provided and enclosed with the application.

The mating agreement must be signed by the owner of the stud dog who thereby certify that the stated mother and father has been mated at the date stated and in case there is another owner of the stud dog that he/she has given consent to the mating. By signing, the owner of the stud dog confirms that he/she is aware of the SKK Code of Ethics as well as the current Registration regulations.

In case a dog has more than one owner, all owners must have given their consent to the mating, unless otherwise stated in agreement between the owners.

Changes in the SKK dog register

Any change of a registered dog's name can only be made upon a written request by the breeder within 3 months of the original registration.