

NEW Membership Application to Oak Ridge Kennel Club

Thank you for your interest in joining the Kennel Club.

Membership is open to all persons eighteen (18) years of age or older who are in good standing with the American Kennel Club (AKC).

Requirements for membership include the following:

1. Submission of completed application
2. Agreement to Code of Ethics of the Oak Ridge Kennel Club
3. Attend a club meeting, virtually or in person
4. Sponsorship of two current ORKC members
 - If you are new to the area, one member and one personal reference will suffice
5. Membership dues of \$25.00, submitted via check or cash with application
6. Approval by majority vote of the general membership

What you receive with your membership immediately:

1. Voting privilege
2. Early Registration for classes
3. Monthly Electronic Version of *The Woofers*, our monthly newsletter

After one year of membership:

1. Voting privilege
2. Early Registration for classes
3. Hold Executive Office or Board Member at Large

After one year of membership, you may also receive **reduced class fees** and **access to the ORKC campus** IF the following are additionally completed:

1. Ten (10) hours of volunteer service which can be achieved by serving on committees, volunteering at events, serving as a Board Member, teaching classes, etc. (hours must be submitted to the Training Chair)
2. Attend two (2) club meetings annually

Please submit completed new member application to Membership Chair with \$25 annual dues.

ORKC Membership Chair
Cindi Chilbert
2633 Claysville Rd
Crossville, TN 37851

Please make check payable to Oak Ridge Kennel Club

Questions: orkcmembership@gmail.com or seughof@aol.com

OAK RIDGE KENNEL CLUB CODE OF ETHICS

To maintain the goals and standards of the Club, members of The Oak Ridge Kennel Club agree to adhere to By-Laws, Rules, Regulations, and Policies of the Club and to also follow the Code of Ethics as listed below:

Club Members shall:

1. Be dedicated to creating an environment at the Club that is friendly, fun, inviting, educational and supportive.
2. Strive to always serve the best interests of the Club.
3. Always remember that they and their dogs are representatives of the Club both private and public events.
4. Conduct themselves in a fashion that upholds the goals and standards of ORKC.
5. Ensure that their dogs are always kept safe and under control.
6. Properly train their dogs so that they are not a nuisance or disturbance to other dogs and handlers when attending Club or any functions, but rather exemplify canine good citizen behavior and are an asset to the community
7. Appreciate the efforts of all club members.
8. Are supportive of new and current members of the Club.
9. Deal fairly and considerately **at all times** with members, handlers and dogs as well as those who participate in the Club's programs and events.
10. Harassment, abusive language and abusive behavior will not be tolerated by either members or non-members. Abusive behavior and cruelty to animals will not be tolerated.

Members who are in violation of the Code of Ethics and/or Good Sportsmanship as set forth by AKC, are subject to disciplinary action per Article VI of the Constitution.



Oak Ridge Kennel Club NEW Member Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Cell () Home ()

Occupation: _____

List below the breed(s) of dog you own and the number of each breed. Please indicate if they are AKC registered.

Please list any titles you have earned with your dog(s).

What are your interests:

Agility: _____ Barn Hunt: _____ Breeding: _____ Conformation: _____

DiscDog: _____ Dockdiving: _____ Field Trials: _____ Flyball: _____

Herding: _____ Obedience: _____ Rally: _____ Scentwork: _____

Therapy: _____ Tracking: _____ Tricks: _____ Teaching: _____

Pets: _____ Other: _____

Have you taken any training classes at ORKC? _____

If so, please list: _____

Have you taken training classes elsewhere: _____

If so, please list: _____

Have you been or are you currently a member of another similar club: _____

Please include name, location and any offices held: _____

Do you have any skills or talents to share with the Club? _____

Please explain briefly why you would like to join ORKC: _____

I have attended a club meeting on : _____ In person _____ or virtually _____

Have you ever been suspended by the AKC? _____

If so please explain. Use a separate piece of paper if necessary.

Two Signature Endorsements are required of all applicants. Both endorsements must be ORKC members of different households and in good standing with ORKC and have first-hand knowledge of the applicant and their dogs.

Sponsor Name: (printed) _____

Sponsor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Sponsor Name: (printed) _____

Sponsor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Outside Reference Name: _____

Affiliation: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

I, the undersigned, understand that my signature constitutes an agreement to abide by the regulations, constitution, and bylaws. _____ (initials)

I agree not to hold the Club, its agents, nor the owners of property or buildings where Club events are held, liable for any loss or damage that may occur to my person, family, or property as a result of my participation in Club Activities. _____ (initials)

I acknowledge that I have read and agree to abide by the ORKC code of Ethics
_____ (initials)

Individual Membership (one vote) \$25 annual membership _____

Trophy Donation: _____

Total Included: _____

Printed Name:

Signature: _____ Date: _____