

CODE OF ETHICS

1. All dogs shall be kept under sanitary conditions and shall be given maximum health protection through regular inoculations and proper nutrition. Dogs shall be contained within safe restrictions when the breeder/owner cannot personally supervise their safety.
2. All breeders shall keep accurate and complete personal records of breeding, litters, pedigrees, and puppy owners' names as required by the AKC.
3. All puppies leaving their breeder's possession shall be a minimum of seven (7) weeks of age, except in those breeds where twelve (12) weeks of age is generally accepted.
4. All breeders of purebred dogs shall breed to conform to the AKC's Standard of Excellence for their breed and only from quality, healthy stock. Breeders will screen for inherited diseases as known in their breed.
5. Breeders shall provide the puppy buyer with written details of feeding, general care, dates and type of inoculations, and worming, grooming instructions, etc., and be available to offer future advice as needed.
6. Breeders will not knowingly sell or consign puppies or adult dogs to pet stores, puppy brokers or other commercial dealers.
7. All puppies will be sold with written contracts appropriate for conformation/breeding quality or pet quality specifications, guarantees, and restrictions. The contract will ensure that the breeder will be contacted whenever an owner can no longer keep a dog at any time in the dog's life, and it will be the obligation of the breeder to assist in the placement or disposition of the dog. Puppy purchasers should be urged to spay or neuter all pet quality puppies.
8. Dogs and bitches will not be bred before or after such age as is customary for their breed as outlined by the parent club and AKC guidelines. The breeder will allow proper, healthful spacing between litters.
9. Breeders will permit stud services only to quality, healthy bitches, appropriately screened for inherited diseases/disorders, owned by individuals who give satisfactory evidence that they will give these puppies proper care and attention and who are in agreement with these and the parent club guidelines for responsible breeders.
10. Prospective buyers should be screened as thoroughly as possible to determine their desire and ultimate intent for each puppy or dog, and also for their interest and ability to provide a safe, adequate and loving home for each puppy and dog acquired.

Signature:

Date:

Mason-Dixon German Shorthaired Pointer Club

Membership Application

Application of (please print)

Personal Information

Name

* I own _____ (#) German Shorthaired Pointers

* I own _____ (#) _____ (Breed)

Spouse/Partner

* I am a member of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America (GSPCA). (Y / N)

Street Address

* I am interested in the following activities:

Field Trials

Hunting Tests

Conformation

Obedience

Tracking

Agility

Rescue

NAVHDA

Other _____

City, State and Zip Code

Phone

*AKC Judge Number _____

Email address

I (We) hereby apply for membership to the Mason-Dixon GSP Club, Inc. and enclose \$30 payment for dues (unless after September 1 of the current year, whereby I (we) enclose \$15.) By signing this application, I (we) agree to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the aforesaid club and the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club. The By-Laws are available for review at the Club's website: www.MDGSPC.org. I am in good standing (i.e. not under suspension) with the American Kennel Club and the GSPCA.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

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Please mail this completed form with dues (check or money order) to:

Beth Ritchie, Membership Chair
Mason-Dixon GSP Club, Inc.
2711 Judes Ferry Rd.
Powhatan, VA 23139-5218

Upon receipt of the completed application and dues payment, you will be considered a member in good standing and will receive club correspondence and the newsletter. Visit us at www.MDGSPC.org and on Facebook via [Mason-Dixon GSP Club](#).