

Application for Membership of The Dobermann Club

Membership of the Club is open to all those who subscribe to the objectives and Code of Ethics (attached page) of the Dobermann Club, and are in good standing with the Kennel Club.

To the Committee:

I/We hereby apply for Membership of The Dobermann Club, and if accepted, agree to abide by the Rules and Constitution of The Dobermann Club and by the Code of Ethics.

Name/s **(Please PRINT)**

Address

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Postcode **Tel No. (Including area code)**

Signature/s.....

Email Address

Date Age (if under 18 years)

Please state any Dobermann Club of which you are a member

Have you any particular interest or skills that might be of help to the Club?

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This application must be supported by two current Members of The Dobermann Club.

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Signature

Signature.....

(Please PRINT name clearly)

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The information given on this form will be stored on computer and in accordance with the Data Protection Act and subsequent amendments. I/We have no objection to this information being used in any form in which the Committee of the above Club deem acceptable.

The current subscriptions, renewable annually on April 1st, in all cases are:

Joint (any two members of the same family, or bonafide partnership residing at the same address)	£15.00
Single	£11.00
Senior citizen membership (single or joint) membership (if in joint names either partner to reach 60 years)	£6.00
Junior (under 18 years of age and provided that one parent is a paid-up Member)	£5.00

Please send your subscription with your application to the Membership Secretary, Mrs Barbara Prestwich, 37 Grand Avenue, Worthing, West Sussex BN11 5AS. The Committee will consider your application at its next meeting and will notify you accordingly.

Please make cheques payable to **THE DOBERMANN CLUB**. Applications from outside the UK should be accompanied by a subscription payment in Sterling, either Bank Draft or British Money Order.

THE DOBERMANN CLUB DOES NOT CONDONE OR PROMOTE THE BREEDING OF WHITE DOBERMANNS

THE CODE OF ETHICS

The following sections form the accepted Code of Ethics for Members of The Dobermann Club.

1. Abide by the Rules and Constitution of The Dobermann Club and by the Rules of the Kennel Club.
2. Keep accurate breeding records, registration papers and pedigrees.
3. All stud services and sales arrangements shall be mutually agreed upon, stated in writing and signed by all parties involved. The receipt should be given to the purchaser of a puppy not a bill of sale.
4. All advertising shall be honest and not in any way misrepresentative or fraudulent.
5. Maintain the best possible standards of canine health, cleanliness and care.
6. Encourage the x-raying of Dobermanns for hip dysplasia and for CVI, and the testing of eyes for PHPV.
7. All dogs offered for stud to be in good health and free from communicable disease and obvious faults.
8. Only Kennel Club registered Dobermanns to be used for breeding.
9. No bitch shall be bred on more than one occasion within a period of twelve months, nor prior to two years of age, and should be in good health and free from communicable disease and obvious faults. Maiden bitches are put at risk if mated after five years of age. Veterinary advice should be sought before breeding from proven bitches of seven or more years of age.
10. Honestly evaluate the quality of all Dobermanns, and fairly represent the evaluation at the time of sale.
11. Substandard or inferior animals should either be destroyed or sold with written agreement to have the animal altered or papers are withheld, and a 'no breeding' contract signed. **The Dobermann Club does not condone or promote the breeding of white Dobermanns.**
12. Furnish records to each buyer of all inoculations and worming, pedigree and Kennel Club registration and completed Transfer of Ownership documents, unless written agreement is made at the time of sale that papers are withheld.
13. All Members shall conduct themselves at all times in such a manner as to reflect credit on the ownership of the Dobermann in particular.

The Dobermann Club is the national club for the breed, and was established in 1948. Its objects are to foster and promote the interests, welfare and good name of the breed, bearing in mind that the Dobermann is a working dog.

Each year, the Club holds a Championship Show and one Open Show with Obedience, and other events of interest to Dobermann owners. Help and advice is given on obedience, working and showing with Dobermanns. Normally each subscription carries with it an entitlement to a Yearbook.

New Members can usually purchase a copy of the current Yearbook from the Secretary. The Club also publishes a Newsletter at half yearly intervals. The Club Stand provides a ready source of books, badges and many other items of interest, it is present at most Club functions, and also operates a postal service.

Members may, after three months membership, vote at the AGM for Officers and Committee Members, who direct the day-to-day management of the Club, for the Members of the Obedience, Working Tests and Land Sub-Committees, and for any proposed changes in the running of the Club.

Membership of the Club affords a unique opportunity to meet other Dobermann owners and their dogs.

The Club website is: www.thedobermannclub.co.uk

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