

# **AUSTRALIAN BULLDOG SOCIETY INC.**

## **CODE OF ETHICS**

Each member upon signing an application for membership of the ABS Inc is bound by the Code of Ethics of the ABS Inc.

1. I shall ensure that all dogs in my care are properly housed, fed, watered and exercised and receive proper veterinary care if required.
2. I shall breed for the improvement of the breed and not knowingly breed from any dog with a flaw that is life limiting or expected to cause chronic disability or disease throughout the dog's lifespan.
3. I shall not breed from any bitch under the age of 12 months.
4. I shall not breed from any bitch more than twice in 18 months.
5. I shall not breed more than four litters from any bitch without veterinary certification of fitness for further breeding.
6. I shall not dock the tails of any pup/dog unless recommended and carried out by a veterinarian for a diagnosed physical ailment.
7. I shall not permit any Australian/ 'Aussie' Bulldog in my care to be mated with a dog of any other breed.
8. I shall not release any pups from my care under the age of 8 weeks.
9. I shall not export any pups under the age of 12 weeks.
10. I shall register pups bred by me with the ABS Inc. and provide Registration certificates to buyers.
11. I shall vaccinate all pups bred by me between 6 and 8 weeks of age and provide current vaccination certificates with all pups/dogs when placed into new homes.

12. I shall worm all pups/dogs in my care at appropriate times and provide information of medication used and next due date when placed into new homes by me.
13. I shall provide dietary information for all pups/dogs in my care when being placed into new homes by me.
14. I shall not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed or provide false information to members of the public or the ABS Inc.