

French Bull Dog Club of America

Application for Membership

Our application process takes time and it is expected to detail the part Frenchies play in the daily life of the applicant. The membership application process consists of several steps. A complete application for membership packet consists of four (4) documents and two (2) checks or money orders as follows:

PLEASE READ and complete application packet accordingly

1. Complete the application being certain to answer all questions with completely.
2. Two (2) current FBDCA members are required to sponsor each applicant. Sponsors complete, sign, and ***mail the FBDCA Sponsor Form for New Member Applications to you.*** Once received, attach both signed sponsorship forms to your membership application.
3. Sign, date and attach the FBDCA Code of Ethics to your membership application.
4. Submit two (2) checks or money orders – one for \$25.00 annual dues and another for \$25.00 application non-refundable processing fee, made out to “French Bull Dog Club of America” for each membership application.

Each applicant must have two sponsors who are FBDCA members in good standing. Each sponsor must know the applicant for a **minimum of one year** and complete a sponsor questionnaire about the applicant. At least one (1) sponsor is required to complete a home visit and have personal knowledge of how your (the applicant) dogs are housed. The two (2) required sponsors ***may not reside in the same household nor be a married couple living in separate households.*** Signed sponsor forms must be dated no more than 120 days prior to Board of Directors vote.

NOTE: Newly accepted members will be on a 12-month probationary period in which they cannot sponsor applicants.

Please mail the **completed membership application packet** to:

Angela Schleyer
French Bulldog Club of America, Membership Chair
2450 Benz Cir, APT A
Anchorage, AK 99502-4625

*Email applications ARE NOT accepted, however, if you have questions about an application you mailed, work with your sponsor/s or contact Theresa Wilson at FBDCA.theresawilson@gmail.com. **Incomplete application packets will be returned to the applicant for completion.***

Your membership application will be posted for no less than 30 days in the Members Only section of the FBDCA website for input from the membership. Your application is available for review by any FBDCA member in good standing. After this period your application will be considered at the next quarterly board meeting, sometime after the 30-day posting ends. Letters and comments submitted by members will be reviewed by the Board prior to voting on your application. You will be notified of the results.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED FULLY. IF A QUESTION DOES NOT APPLY, NOTE IT. NO INCOMPLETE APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED.

PLEASE **PRINT** or **TYPE** YOUR RESPONSES BELOW:

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ -- _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____, _____ Zip: _____ - _____

Email: _____ Occupation: _____

Year of Birth: _____ (Note: Life memberships are open to persons 70 years of age and older who have been members of the Club for the previous 10 consecutive years.)

How long have you owned French Bulldog? _____

Please list below the following information about each French Bulldog you own or co-own:

<u>Registered Name</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Breeder(s)</u>	<u>Owner(s)/Co-Owner(s)</u>
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_____	_____	_____	_____
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Do you breed or co-breed French Bulldogs? yes () no ()

If yes, how many litters per year for the last five years (counting back from the date of your application), including litters you co-bred. List co-breeders.

Yr.1 (most recent): _____ Yr. 2: _____ Yr. 3: _____ Yr. 4: _____ Yr. 5: _____

If yes, what kennel name do you use? _____

Please list the website addresses for all your French Bulldog websites:

Have you ever been involved in the sale or importation of French Bulldogs or any other breed of dog which were not bred by you? yes () no () If yes, please explain the circumstances:

In the past five years have you allowed any male French Bulldog, owned or co-owned, to be used at stud? yes () no (). If yes, please give details of the stud dog and individuals allowed to breed to your dog. You do not need to list financial terms of any contract:

Do you own other dogs? yes () no (). If so, which breeds and how many of each? If you have bred other breeds, please describe below:

Do you exhibit in Conformation? yes () no () Performance? yes () no () Other? yes () no () Please give specifics on these activities during the past five years:

Please list all dog related activities including dog clubs and organizations, including any offices or positions you hold or have held in the past:

Support of the French Bulldog Club of America is administered by dedicated volunteer members. Please check the committees you are interested in and will volunteer to support. Please check a minimum of two.

- National Specialty Show**
- Breeders Education Committee**
- Communications/Newsletter Committee**
- Event Committee**
- Health & Genetics Committee**
- Historian**
- Honors and Awards Committee**
- International Impact Committee**
- Judges Education Committee**
- Member Outreach**
- Membership Committee**
- Public Relations**
- National Specialty Oversight Committee**
- Policy and Procedures**
- Roving National Location Committee**
- Top Twenty Committee**

Have you ever been suspended by the American Kennel Club, Inc. (AKC) or any club affiliated with the AKC? yes () no (). If yes, please explain the circumstances:

Has any civil or criminal judgment ever been rendered against you or have you ever paid any settlement for any dispute related to your ownership or breeding of French Bulldogs or any other breed of dog? yes () no (). If yes, please explain the circumstances:

Are you aware of any unresolved complaint now pending against you relating to any dispute concerning your ownership, breeding, or sale of French Bulldogs or other breed of dog such as a complaint with the AKC, other dog club, better business bureau, or threatened litigation? yes () no (). If yes, please explain the circumstances:

After reviewing the FBDCA's code of ethics, are you now or, within the last five years, have you engaged in any activity that appears to be a violation of the FBDCA Code of Ethics? yes () no (). If yes, please explain the circumstances:

Each applicant must have two sponsors who are members in good standing of the FBDC. **Each sponsor must know the applicant for a minimum of one year** and complete a sponsor questionnaire about the applicant. Who are your sponsors?

1) _____ When did you meet this sponsor? _____
PLEASE PRINT NAME

2) _____ When did you meet this sponsor? _____
PLEASE PRINT NAME

Acknowledgment & Agreement

I understand and agree by signing I authorize FBDC officers and members to investigate, solicit and discuss information pertaining to my moral and ethical character as it relates to the standards and guidelines set forth by the FBDC. I further understand and agree that failure to give complete and truthful answers on this application is cause for denial of my application and/or membership revocation in the future should my answers later be learned to have been materially incomplete or untruthful.

I understand and agree that by submitting this application for membership consideration, I agree to hold the French Bulldog Club of America, its officers, board members, and its members harmless for any harm or injury I may claim for such a denial. I further understand and agree should my application be denied that I am not entitled to any explanation.

I understand by *completing this FBDC Application for Membership, that this is an application for membership into an AKC Parent Club Membership organization. As such, the FBDC Code of Ethics states:* as a member of the French Bull Dog Club of America, I will encourage and promote quality in the breeding of French Bulldog so that each succeeding generation strives towards attaining the vision set in the American Kennel Club (AKC) Breed Standard, the only standard by which French Bulldogs shall be judged.

I hereby apply for membership in the French Bull Dog Club of America. If accepted, I agree to abide by the Constitution, By-Laws, and Code of Ethics of the Club. I enclose **two \$25.00 checks** for a total of \$50.00 (\$25.00 membership dues for the current year and a \$25.00 non-refundable application fee).

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Dated: _____

By: _____
Applicant