

The Berger Picard Club of America, Inc.



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Active Membership Application

The following information will help the BPCA in its efforts to maintain better records concerning Berger Picards and their ownership. Your cooperation in taking the time to complete this form carefully and accurately is most appreciated. Please submit a separate form for each person who is applying; no family memberships are available.

Name (Please Print) _____ Email _____
Telephone (Home) _____ Other _____
Street _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____ Country (if other than USA) _____

When did you become an Associate member?

Since becoming an Associate member, what club activities or committees have you participated in?

Since becoming an Associate member, have you attended any of the Annual General Membership Meetings? _____

If no, please state your reason for not attending. _____

Why do you wish to become an Active member of the BPCA?

Who are your sponsors and how long have you known each of them?

What do you feel is your primary responsibility as a BP owner, to the breed? _____

Please tell us what your primary interest in the Berger Picard is (i.e. companion, showing, helping with rescue, educating others about the breed, breeding, herding, obedience, etc.) _____

Tell us what you feel has been your most important contribution to the welfare of the Breed: _____

Have you ever bred or been listed as cobreeder on any litter of BPs? [] Yes [] No

If yes, please list the following: Total number of litters _____ Total number of puppies _____

Number of puppies from these litters that you kept: _____ sold; _____

How many BP stud services have you given? (list by years): _____

Do you consign or sell, or have you consigned or sold, dogs to pet stores or to other persons for resale through pet stores or other commercial outlets? If so, explain:

Please list any all breed clubs or other breed clubs to which you belong, and offices that you hold or have held in the past: _____

Please list any activities that you feel the BPCA could provide to help educate prospective owners, new owners, and established breeders:

Are you willing to help in these areas and in what way?

Which club activities do you feel are most important?

Sponsors: Please sign below and fill out the BPCA sponsor questionnaire. Sponsors shall have known the applicant for at least two years and must be Active Members, not of the same family or household. Comments should include how well sponsors know the applicant, whether they have seen applicant's home and /or facilities, whether they know of applicant's breeding practices and how applicant is regarded in the local BP community.

(1) _____ Signature of member; comments attached

(2) _____ Signature of member; comments attached

The objects of the Berger Picard Club of America, Inc. are as follows (as stated in Article 1, Section 2 of the ByLaws):

- (a) to encourage and promote quality in the breeding of pure-bred Berger Picards (“Picard(s)”) and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection;**
- (b) to do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed:**
 - **by guarding against the commercial exploitation of Berger Picards;**
 - **by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at and conduct at conformation, performance, and all club related activities;**
 - **by providing education appropriate to the needs of owners, breeders, judges, potential owners and all others with an interest in the Berger Picard;**
 - **by publishing literature and periodicals in the interest of the Berger Picard;**
- (c) to urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by The American Kennel Club as the standard of excellence by which the Berger Picard shall be judged;**
- (d) to conduct sanctioned matches, specialty shows, obedience trials, tracking tests, agility trials, herding trials and any other events for which the club is eligible under the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club;**
- (e) to promote responsible and ethical breeding practices through a Code of Ethics that will protect the breed’s unique and desired traits, dependability and health;**
- (f) to provide a forum for fellowship, mutual cooperation and development of friendships among owners and fanciers of the Berger Picard breed; and,**
- (g) to promote the Picard, and educate persons interested in the Breed;**
- (h) to encourage the organization of independent local specialty clubs in those localities where there are sufficient fanciers of the breed to meet the requirements of The American Kennel Club.**

I, the applicant, have read and agree to abide by the Constitution, By Laws and Code of Ethics of the BPCA, Inc., and the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club, Inc. I understand that this form must be filled out completely, with all signatures and accompanied by a check for the appropriate dues amount. I agree that any statements submitted in regard to this application become the property of the BPCA and I voluntarily relinquish any right to them.

Date

Signature of Applicant

Application fee: \$30.00 (Dues for current club year)

Please remit payment with application made payable to the BPCA and send to the address on page 1.

You may submit your application fee via paypal to [BPTreasurer2@gmail.com](mailto:BP.Treasurer2@gmail.com) (please remember to include a \$1.00 convenience fee)

Your check (funds) will be accepted and deposited pending your acceptance. In the event you are not offered Active membership, your application fee will be refunded.

Checklist

Completed application along with all required signatures _____

Both completed sponsorship questionnaires _____

Application Fee _____

Check enclosed _____ Fee submitted via Paypal _____ (plus \$1.00 convenience fee)

If you are not contacted within 2 weeks after submitting your application, please contact the Membership Chair.