

The Mainland Staffordshire Bull Terrier Society



CODE OF CONDUCT

Members:

I will:

- Always treat other members of the club with respect
- Participate in club activities for my own enjoyment and benefit,
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all club members regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- Always ensure the health and welfare of my dogs at all times
- Comply with local authority rules in relation to the health and welfare of my dogs and ensure they are not a nuisance
- Raise any concerns I have about owners with the appropriate authorities if I suspect abuse or neglect of any animal
- Ensure I have obtained professional advice before breeding my Staffordshire Bull Terrier – preferably including DNA testing to eliminate hereditary defects
- Ensure I take full responsibility of any litters should I decide to breed in relation to any of the above

I will not:

- Exhibit any behaviour, online or otherwise that contributes to the negative perception of the Staffordshire Bull Terrier breed, DOGS NZ, The Mainland Staffordshire Bull Terrier Society or its membership.
- Allow any mistreatment of dogs and any such incident shall be reported to the NZKC and or local authorities where appropriate
- Use bad language, nor will I harass club members, prospective members or members of the committee
- Breed my dog(s) irresponsibly, without ensuring the health and welfare of any future litters.

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Committee:

I will:

- Abide by the rules set out by the constitution of the TMSBTS (referred to as the “club” for the remainder of this document)
- Display professional and fair behavior at all times representing the “club”
- Ensure that all “club” members are treated equally and fairly and are given correct information relating to their dogs
- Remember that members participate for their enjoyment and benefit
- Help other members of the committee highlight appropriate behavior, and help to improve and promote the “club”
- Ensure that everyone involved in the club emphasises positive representation of the Staffordshire Bull Terrier
- Distribute a code of conduct to all new members and encourage them to follow it
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all members involved in the club, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background
- Promote adherence to the ongoing welfare of the Staffordshire Bull Terrier
- Provide information about breeding and de-sexing when requested to encourage the appropriate continuation of the Staffordshire Bull Terrier

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- Use bad language, nor will I harass club members, prospective members or members of the committee
- Use my position as a member of the committee to promote my own personal opinions or financial gain/business ventures