

AKC Purebred Preservation Bank

Recommendations for Parent Club submissions of DONOR questions and criteria

AKC PPB is requesting each Parent Club submit breed-specific questions that can be added, on a separate form, to the general Donor Application and Semen Profile. AKC PPB will work with the Parent Club to optimize wording choices. These are examples and may not apply to every breed. Please send the club's submissions to contact@akcppb.org.

Philosophy for donations of frozen semen

- AKC PPB will want to accept nearly all donations of frozen semen from AKC registered dogs, including that which would otherwise be abandoned or destroyed.
- The value of any donation is enhanced by the quality and quantity of information that accompanies the donation, concerning the sire, his progeny, and his semen.
- This information will be critically useful when, in the future, a prospective breeder would be selecting the frozen semen sample that best meets the preservation objectives of the AKC Parent Club.
- The Donor Application and Semen Profile includes considerable general questions about the sire and semen, so these do not need to be repeated. Link to <u>Donor Application and Semen Profile.</u>
- The key is what breed-specific information would be most appropriate to determine the utility of any specific semen sample to the preservation objectives in the future.
- Ideally, the information would be objectively measurable and verifiable.
- The AKC PPB will validate application submissions against AKC records and public CHIC data.

General Considerations

- What diseases, conditions and characteristics of the sire and his progeny would be valuable for a prospective breeder to know for this breed?
- The Parent Club Health Statements and CHIC requirements provide baselines that are included in the general donor application. <u>Link to Breed Health Testing</u>
- Titles earned provide information on certain traits, and are included in the application.

Health Examples

- History of hereditary or epilepsy related seizures or crippling life-threatening disease
- Hearing status
- Dilated Cardiomyopathy
- Copper Storage Disease
- Urinary stones

- Allergies
- Cancer type, location
- Dysplasia
- Trachea/airway

Conformation Examples

- Disqualifying faults
 - O Note some DQ's are more relevant and important than others
- Non-standard colors or patterns
 - o Requesting color photographs may be appropriate
- Coat type or length
- Dentition
- Movement

Behavior and Performance Examples

- Prey instinct
- Drive
- Hunting ability
- Aggressiveness
- Shyness