

Dear APONC Member-Breeder:

We appreciate your continued commitment as an ethical PON breeder. Your breeder listing fee is due for renewal for the year 2016. This service is available for APONC members in good standing with the club who have 3 years of current and continuous dues payment.

Fees:

- As of January 1, 2014, the breeder listing fee is \$75.00.
- Fees not received by Jan. 31st will result in removal from the list and in order to be reinstated the breeder application will need to be reviewed and voted on by the Breeder Education committee. Fees will not be returned and are not prorated.

Requirements:

- Members in good standing with the club who have **three (3) years of current and continuous dues payment** are eligible to be listed on the breeders list.
- For members who are requesting to be on the breeders list for the first time, an application must be submitted to the APONC treasurer along with all the required information and a signed Code of Ethics.
 - The treasurer will then forward these documents to the Breeder Education committee chair and co-chair for approval by the Breeder Education committee members.
 - Once accepted the person(s) may remain on the breeders list without reapplying, provided they renew their breeder's list membership and their APONC membership each year, and remain members in good standing
 - The Board has final approval for any member not approved by the Breeder Education committee.

Litter Listing Requirements:

- There is no charge to list litters for sale or advertise stud dogs; however, you must be on the APONC Breeder's List.
- Litters will not be listed until puppies have been whelped.
- Litter listing must be formatted correctly, ready for website posting and will include:
 - sire & dam's full registered name,
 - sire & dam's call names
 - chic number
 - date litter whelped
 - # of males & females
 - up to two pictures.
 - breeder contact information
- Photos may be updated by contacting the webmaster.
- Current health certifications for sire & dam must be on file with CHIC. Copies of documents not yet recorded by CHIC, needed for litter postings, must be sent to the Breeder Committee chair.
- The litter listing will remain on the site for 8 weeks from DOB. If puppies are available after 8 weeks the breeder must contact the webmaster with a current picture of available puppies to extend the listing for an additional month. If puppies are still available at 3 months of age the breeder must once again contact the webmaster to extend one extra month. If the breeder hasn't contacted the webmaster after the puppies turn 8 weeks of age and 3 months of age the posting will be removed. The maximum a litter can be posted is four months.
- The Breeder's List Application must be completed in full.

Health Requirements:

- Hips must be certified by either OFA or PennHIP. For OFA the rating must be a *fair, good* or *excellent*. If the PennHIP method is used both hips must be scored showing *no signs of DJD* and each hip score must be *equal to or tighter than the median DI* listed at which time the x-ray results were provided. PennHIP results must be sent to CHIC.
- As you add or remove dogs to your program current information must be sent into APONC. Updated health info such as eye re-CERF forms must be sent in to either OFA or CERF in order to be documented by CHIC.
- If either a bitch or dog is not yet 24 months old at the time of breeding, they are still required to have “preliminary” passing health tests. These tests must be repeated once they are over 24 months in order to be used for breeding after 24 months of age except for PennHIP which doesn’t need to be repeated.
- If a dog outside the US is used for breeding or semen is imported from another country documentation must be provided showing said dog passed hip and eye exams. Owner of the dam is responsible for providing APONC with the information on the sire of the litter if it is not already on file with CHIC.
- A passing eye exam is required within the last 24 months or 24 months prior to breeding date for dogs/bitches less **than 5 years of age**. For dogs/bitches 5 years and older a passing eye exam is required that was done within the last 12 months or 12 months prior to breeding date.
- For dual-sires, the health information must be completed by each of the stud dog owners/co-owners.

Health Recommendations:

- It is also strongly suggested that a thyroid panel be done on all PONs in your breeding program before being used for breeding.

All current member-breeders not completing the stated requirements will be deleted from the Breeders List until such time that the requirements are fulfilled and the Breeders Education committee reapproves them.

Additional Requirements:

- National Specialty - must attend **one (1)** APONC National Specialties within a 5 year period.
- All Breeders’ List members must have acquired a title on a Polish Lowland Sheepdog. If you are the owner of more than one (1) Polish Lowland Sheepdog, an AKC conformation or obedience/agility/tracking/herding title must be earned on at least one of your PONs. Current Breeder’s List members have 2 years to fulfill this requirement.
- Brokering of puppies is cause for immediate removal from the Breeder’s List. A broker is an agent, not the breeder of said dog, who buys or sells on behalf of someone else without having title to the dog/puppy.

Additional Recommendations:

- It is recommended that all breeders participate in health research for the betterment of the breed. Ex: PRA, Thyroid, etc. Health records will be maintained via CHIC; therefore, it is the breeders’ responsibility to provide updated documentation to CHIC.
- The APONC Board believes a responsible breeder is one that takes responsibility for a puppy they have produced for the life of that puppy. With this in mind, if one of your Polish Lowland Sheepdogs is in need of rescue, it’s the breeder’s responsibility to find the dog a new home. Stud owners assistance is encouraged.

- In addition it is strongly requested that Breeders List members support the National Specialty by either donating time to help with a Specialty activity, or support the Specialty with a trophy, raffle, silent auction, or a gift bag item.

Please let us know on the attached form if you have any additions/deletions to your breeding program and that you agree to abide by the Code of Ethics you signed when first applying for the Breeder's List.

Return this form along with your check for \$75.00 made payable to APONC at your earliest convenience to the current APONC treasurer:

Att: APONC Treasurer

Cindy Czerechowicz

2155 Stonington Ave, Suite 119

Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Payment for continued listing is due by January 31st, 2016 or you will be removed from the Breeder's List.

APONC™ BREEDER'S LIST APPLICATION

Only APONC members with **three (3)** years of current and continuous dues payment are eligible to apply for inclusion to the Breeder's List.

Complete as many items as are applicable. Form may be returned for additional information before processing if not properly filled out.

Name _____

Kennel Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

List your PONs: (Use back of form if needed) Attach a copy of Registration papers or fill out below.

AKC Registered Name & Number	Call Name	Birth Date	Titles Earned
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Requirements:

- Health records will be maintained via CHIC so it's the responsibility of the breeder to provide updated information to CHIC.
- OFA results (with a rating of *fair, good or excellent*) and/or PennHIP evaluation are required. If only using PennHIP each hip must be scored showing *no signs of DJD* and each hip *score must be equal to or tighter than the median DI* listed at which time the x-ray results were provided. PennHIP scores must be sent into CHIC with a \$25.00 fee.
- If either a bitch or dog is not yet 24 months old at the time of breeding, they are still required to have "preliminary" passing health tests. These tests must be repeated once they are over 24 months in order to be used for breeding after 24 months of age except for PennHIP which doesn't need to be repeated.
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Recommendations:

- It is recommended that the applicant provides all paperwork at the time of sale of puppy to new owners, including - COE, APONC membership application, AKC registration papers for the individual dog unless a mutual contract is in place which states otherwise, health and veterinary care history, the individual's and/or sire and dam's health certifications or evaluations, a four-generation pedigree, and recommendations for general care and training.
- A written contract detailing all guarantees, obligations, and expectations of sellers, buyers, receivers and providers of services is strongly recommended.
- Breeders are also encouraged to microchip all puppies before they go to their new homes.

Enclose a check/money order for \$75.00 (payable to APONC), which will be returned if application is not approved. This is an annual charge due January 1st of each year, good as long as membership is current and continuous and the member is a member in good standing with APONC.

The Breeders Education committee will present this document with any revisions to the Board by Oct. 30 of every odd year for approval.

I affirm that the above statements are true and correct.

National Specialty attended in the last five years: _____

APONC member since: _____

Signed: _____ Date _____

Revised/Approved November 30, 2013