



# Membership Application Great Dane Club of California, Inc.

Type or print full name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone (include area code) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

	Yes	No
1. Are you between 9 and 17 years of age? (Junior Member)		
2. Are you 18 years of age or older? (Regular Member)		
2. Have your privileges, now or ever, been suspended or revoked by the AKC?		
3. Has your membership, now or ever, been suspended or revoked by any Breed and/or All-Breed Club?		
4. Are you willing as a member/individual, to volunteer your services to the Club, to assist with its functions, to further the interests of the Great Dane?		
5. Will you comply with and uphold the Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules of the Club?		
6. Do you now, or have you ever owned a Great Dane?		
7. Do you plan to exhibit your Great Dane in conformation or a performance activity?		
8. Do you plan to breed your Great Dane?		

Each applicant for membership shall apply on a form as approved by the board of directors and which shall provide that the applicant agrees to abide by the constitution and bylaws and the rules of The American Kennel Club.

**Application for Membership.** Any qualified person interested in membership in the Great Dane Club of California, Inc., must attend two (2) meetings as a guest prior to entering his application for membership. To be considered, these meetings must fall within a twelve (12) month period. Application must be made on the form supplied by the Club. Each applicant must have two (2) sponsors. The applicant's name will be published two (2) times in the Club Bulletin and his membership will be voted upon at the next closed meeting following the 2nd publication. At least one of the two sponsors must be present and an oral report of said applicant shall be given by at least one of the sponsors. Two-thirds majority of the votes cast shall be required for election to regular membership.

**Application form** must be signed by two (2) sponsors, not of the same household, members in good standing of the GDCC for one (1) year, eligible to vote. Both sponsoring members shall be personally acquainted with the applicant and sponsor forms shall be completed and filed with the membership chairman prior to voting. Sponsors must be eligible to vote and may sponsor up to two (2) applications per fiscal year accepted for membership.

**Accompanying the application, the prospective member shall submit dues payment for the current year.** Should the applicant fail to gain membership said dues would be returned, provided no fraudulent statements are contained in said application in which case the dues would be forfeited. Married couples applying simultaneously shall be voted on as 1 unit, regardless of whether application is made on 1 or 2 forms, but thereafter will be considered individual members in every way.

**Submit complete application with current year's dues to the Membership Chairperson.** The dues for regular members are \$35.00 per year; for couples \$50.00 per year; for juniors \$10.00. Joint application may be submitted by husband and wife. Junior applications should be submitted separately.

**Each member or applicant must include a requirement in their sales contract that any Great Dane puppy or adult Great Dane sold from their breeding/co-breeding must be returned to them if the owner no longer wishes or is unable to keep it, and an attempt at finding a mutually agreed upon rehoming is unsuccessful.** The failure of a member to take responsibility for a first-generation Great Dane born in a member's home or co-bred by a member will result in an automatic inquiry by the GDCC Board, with the possibility of charges being filed.

**Each member or applicant must microchip all the puppies or adult Great Danes sold and send in the paperwork to the appropriate site,** listing themselves as primary contact. This assures that, in the event the new owners become irresponsible, the breeder will be notified and able to respond if the animal is lost or stolen. Stud dog owners must strongly suggest that microchipping be done on any litter sired by their dog.

I (we) have read, understand, and agree to the provisions stated above.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Two meetings attended (indicate month & year): 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

Two Sponsor Signatures: 1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA. THE MEMBERS WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR FRANK RESPONSE TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

1. For what reasons do you wish to join this club?
  
2. What special interests, skills, talents, etc. could you bring to the club?
  
3. In what ways do you think you could contribute to making this club become even better?
  
4. On which of the following committees would you be willing to work? (Please circle one or more)

Historian	Education	Canine Health
Betterment of the Breed	Bulletin	Puppy Match
Specialties	Dane Rescue	Political Watch Dog
Programs	Ways and Means	Membership
Breeder Referral	Club Awards	Awards Dinner
Equipment	Meeting Sites	

What personal information do you want published on the GDCC website ? <http://gdcc.org/members.html>

Name	
Email Address	
Kennel Name	
Phone Number	
Fax Number	

**GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA  
SPONSOR CHECK LIST**

**(1 check list from each sponsor should be filled out & submitted to Membership Chairperson)**

**The following is suggested information for sponsors to consider and share with the membership as they present a potential member's name to the club for a vote.**

1. I have known this person for\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Are they currently members of another club? Have they ever lost membership in a club or been suspended by the AKC?
3. I have been to their home (Y) or (N). Is this environment conducive to the raising of healthy, happy dogs?
4. How would you describe their Dane's environment? How are they exercised? Are they housed indoors or outdoors or both, or constantly kenneled?
5. How many Danes have they had? How long have they been in Danes? How many dogs do they have at the present?
6. They have bred\_\_\_\_\_litters. How were their buyers screened? Does this person ask puppy buyers to sign contracts? Do they take the puppies back if there is a problem?
7. Do they now or in the future plan to show their dogs in conformation, obedience, agility, etc? If not shown, what activities are they involved in with their dogs?
8. Give your opinion on the condition an temperament of their dogs.
9. Would you sell this person one of your puppies?
10. Are they willing to sign onto a club committee and eventually work into a board position?
11. Do they clearly understand that club members are the sole support of all club activities?

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_