

## Application for Membership to the Mile High Weimaraner Club 2010

Please PRINT these pages, include your sponsor's signatures, sign and date the Code of Ethics, and send the pages and a check payable to MHWC:

MHWC  
P.O. Box 1220  
Brighton, CO 80601

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ LastName \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Box/ Apt \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer to receive our newsletter, "Ghost Talk", via mail \_\_\_\_ or email \_\_\_\_?

Would you prefer club communication, via mail \_\_\_\_ or email \_\_\_\_?

Single Membership \$15 (one vote) \_\_\_\_\_ or Family Membership \$20 (two votes) \_\_\_\_\_

Donation to the local rescue fund (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Have you or any member of your family ever been convicted of animal abuse/cruelty? If so explain.

What areas are your interest in? Check as many as applicable.

Pet \_\_\_\_\_ Conformation \_\_\_\_\_ Field Trial \_\_\_\_\_ Hunt Test \_\_\_\_\_

Tracking \_\_\_\_\_ Obedience \_\_\_\_\_ Rally Obedience \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Hunting Companion \_\_\_\_\_ Agility \_\_\_\_\_ Flyball \_\_\_\_\_

Other (list) \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship by two active club members is required for membership. If you do not know any club members, come to a club event, bring your membership form, and meet some club members to find some sponsors.

1) Club Sponsor Name \_\_\_\_\_

1) Club Sponsor Signature \_\_\_\_\_

2) Club Sponsor Name \_\_\_\_\_

2) Club Sponsor Signature \_\_\_\_\_

The MHWC follows the Weimaraner Club of America Code of Ethics (which are as follows). All club members agree to uphold the WCA Code of Ethics.

### **CODE OF ETHICS**

Submitted by the WCA Board of Directors to the membership.

This code is established in accordance with the objectives of the Weimaraner Club of America and is set forth as a guideline to protect and advance the interests of the Weimaraner by maintaining high breeding standards and by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, field trials, obedience trials and tracking tests. Adherence to the code is strongly recommended.

#### **BREEDING**

The breeder shall:

1. Breed only with the intentions of improving the breed, and of finding suitable homes for the puppies.
2. Choose only healthy parents of good temperament and qualities in relation to the Weimaraner's AKC-approved official standard, and whose hips have been X-rayed and certified free from hip dysplasia by either the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) or any ABVR certified veterinarian.
3. Not use dogs with hereditary defects or disqualifying faults for breeding.
4. Breed only mature bitches with excellent pre-natal and post-natal care for the dam and puppies.
5. Refuse to breed a stud to any female which is markedly inferior physically, mentally, or temperamentally.
6. It is the breeder's responsibility to take back or handle the proper placement of any dog they have produced.

#### **HEALTH**

The owner shall maintain the best possible standards of canine health, cleanliness and veterinary care, including mental health such as contact with people and exposure to the outside world.

#### **REGISTRATION**

The owner shall breed only AKC registered or AKC recognized foreign registered Weimaraners with other AKC registered or AKC recognized foreign registered Weimaraners, and keep accurate records of matings and pedigrees.

#### **SALES**

The owner/breeder shall:

1. Not breed, sell or consign puppies or adults to pet shops or other commercial dealers.
2. Urge puppy purchasers to spay or neuter all pets which for any reason will not be used for breeding.
3. Honestly evaluate the quality of the Weimaraner sold and fairly represent that evaluation.
4. Not release puppies before they are seven weeks(\*) of age and furnish details on feeding, general care, medical inoculations and care, pedigrees, etc.
5. Screen all prospective buyers to assure that puppies will have a safe and loving home.
6. Follow up on puppies after the sale to insure their continuing care and to encourage the owners to become involved in Weimaraner activities in show, obedience, field, and tracking.

#### **SPORTSMANSHIP**

The owner shall always conduct himself in a manner which will reflect credit upon himself, his Weimaraner and the Sport of purebred dogs, regardless of the location or circumstance.

(\*) **Note:** Colorado State Law is eight weeks and not seven weeks; the MHWC follows the State Law, for the age of releasing puppies.

Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_