

VIZSLA CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.  
NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

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Effective date: 10/10/2016 Do not submit any prior versions  
Memberships are for a calendar year; members approved in the 4<sup>th</sup>  
quarter of a year will have membership through the end of the next  
year

Applicant 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Country \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP+ 4/mail code \_\_\_\_\_

I/We am/are applying for \_\_\_Regular \_\_\_Associate \_\_\_Junior (dob \_\_\_\_\_) membership.

Phone 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Home Cell Work FAX OK to publish in Directory? Y/N

Phone 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Home Cell Work FAX OK to publish in Directory? Y/N

Email applicant 1 \_\_\_\_\_ OK to publish in Directory? Y/N OK

Email applicant 2 \_\_\_\_\_ to publish in Directory? Y/N OK to

Web site \_\_\_\_\_ publish in Directory? Y/N OK to

Kennel Name \_\_\_\_\_ publish in Directory? Y/N

Skills/hobbies/interests that you could volunteer to help VCA \_\_\_\_\_

List any regional Vizsla clubs of which you are a member: \_\_\_\_\_

I (We) currently own: # male # female Vizslas

I/We currently participate in the following activities with our dog(s). (Circle all that apply.)

agility breeding conformation tracking field trials hunt tests hunting obedience  
rally therapy tracking other

Please answer the following questions:

- Please email a pdf copy of the current membership directory when published. Y/N
- I/we authorize and approve to accept electronic mail (email) notification of Club business. Declined [ ]
- I/we authorize and approve of electronic balloting for Club elections and other Club business that requires a vote of the membership. Declined [ ]

All notifications and balloting shall be done according to the club's bylaws. Both of the above authorizations are revocable by written notification. The Club is released from liability should an email or USPS mailed ballot or notification be received late or not received by the Member due to circumstances beyond the Club's control. The VCA's new privacy policy is available on the VCA web site ([www.vcaweb.org](http://www.vcaweb.org)). You will receive an invitation to join the VCA News Yahoo Group after your application is approved by the VCA Board.

I hereby apply for membership in the Vizsla Club of America, Inc. and by signing this application, I agree to support the Constitution and Bylaws of the Club, the Code of Ethics as given below, and the resolutions of the Board of Directors; to encourage high standards in breeding, training and showing Vizslas, and to promote the welfare of the Vizsla breed. (Constitution and Bylaws available at [www.vcaweb.org](http://www.vcaweb.org)). Membership in the Vizsla Club of America entitles me to a subscription to the Vizsla News and the rights of the Membership Category I am entering.

**US residents may choose Associate, Regular or Junior membership (Jr. membership under 18 years old). Regular members have voting privileges, may hold office, chair committees and first class mailing of The Vizsla News.**

**Associate and Junior members are mailed The Vizsla News standard rate, but may upgrade postage and may serve on committees.** Members may change their type of membership during the annual renewal period (Juniors may change only after their 18th birthday.) Discuss the appropriate choice of membership type with your sponsors or email VCA Membership Chairman (contact info on page 3 of application).

**Non-US residents** must apply as Associate or Junior members and may not change to Regular

Code of Ethics

**Sportsmanship:** VCA members shall always conduct themselves in a manner which will reflect credit upon themselves, their Vizslas and the sport of purebred dogs, regardless of the location or circumstance. Protect and advance the development of the Vizsla through continued improvement of soundness, stable temperament, natural hunting ability and conformation as set forth in the official Vizsla Standard.

**Health:** VCA members shall maintain the best possible standard of canine health, cleanliness and veterinary care in an atmosphere conducive to the stable development of their dogs.

**Breeding:** VCA members shall breed only with the intention of improving the breed by breeding only those Vizslas who conform to the standard as recognized by the American Kennel Club, exhibit soundness, stable temperament and natural hunting ability. Further, VCA members shall breed only those dogs who have a DNA number (a DNA number is not required for dogs who passed away prior to 2007) and are free of serious hereditary defects (including epilepsy, progressive retinal atrophy, Von Willebrands, entropion and cranial muscular atrophy), and are over two years of age and have been x-rayed and OFA certified as free from hip dysplasia

VCA members must exhibit a commitment to Vizslas they have bred and sold by supporting rescue through involvement with any Vizsla placed in rescue, produced by either dog or bitch that is member-owned or co-owned. Support may include but is not limited to financial, fostering and/or re-homing.

**Sales:** VCA members shall: not breed, sell, consign puppies or adult dogs to pet shops or other commercial ventures such as lotteries or raffles, honestly evaluate the quality of the Vizsla sold and fairly represent that evaluation and urge puppy purchasers not to breed dogs which for any reason should not be used for breeding, not release puppies under seven weeks old, furnish details on feeding, care, inoculations, pedigrees and written sales agreements, screen all prospective buyers to assure that puppies have safe and loving homes, supply assistance and support to puppy buyers for the life of the dog, encourage owners to become involved in Vizsla activities, the Vizsla Club of America and regional Vizsla clubs.

The breed's parent club, the Vizsla Club of America, in recognizing its responsibility in protecting the breed has also adopted the following resolutions:

**Resolution:** The officers and board of directors of the Vizsla Club of America, in cognizance of the respective responsibilities to protect the breed and foster its development, do hereby condemn crossbreeding of purebred Vizslas and falsification of registration documents. All persons following the Vizsla fancy are enjoined to subscribe to this ethic in the best interest of the breed.

**Resolution:** The Vizsla Club of America calls for ALL breeding stock to be radiographed, and specifies that no dog or bitch with the slightest evidence of hip dysplasia be used for breeding purposes. In keeping with this resolution, and in full support of the Vizsla Club of America Code of Ethics (which states that only those Vizslas that are over two years of age, X-rayed, and OFA certified as free of hip dysplasia get bred), the VCA agrees to accept the removal of OFA listing requirements in advertisements in all official VCA publications, with the exception of Stud Dog listings, and litter announcements.

**Resolution:** The officers and board of directors of the Vizsla Club of America, in cognizance of the respective responsibilities to protect the breed and foster its development, do hereby condemn the breeding of dogs with serious genetic defects including: epilepsy, PRA (Progressive Retinal Atrophy), von Willebrand's Disease, entropion and cranial muscular atrophy.

I (We) have read the above Code of Ethics, agree to follow its direction, and hereby submit my/our names for membership in the Vizsla Club of America.

Applicant #1 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant #2 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Two sponsors are required when submitting a new membership application.**

**Sponsors:** ANY member of the VCA may sponsor applicant(s)

1st Sponsor's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have known applicant(s) for \_\_\_\_\_(years/months/weeks). I interact with the applicant(s) through \_\_\_(training club, kennel club, puppy buyer, conformation shows or other dog-related activity, for example).

Signature(REQUIRED): \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Sponsor's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have known applicant(s) for \_\_\_\_\_(years/months/weeks). I interact with the applicant(s) through \_\_\_(training club, kennel club, puppy buyer, conformation shows or other dog-related activity, for example).

Signature(REQUIRED): \_\_\_\_\_

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**MEMBERSHIP FEES and MAILING FEES:**

Each New Member Applicant must include a \$10.00 non-refundable application fee in addition to the appropriate membership fee. All Payments must be made in U.S. Funds and/or should be submitted via international money order. Make all checks payable to: VCA. Members who live outside of the United States are required to remit the extra postage as indicated below:

<b>VCA WELFARE FOUNDATION DONATION</b> (must be on a separate check)		\$ _____
<b>ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP</b> Associate Single Member	\$45	\$ _____
Associate Household Members (2 adults at one location)	\$50	\$ _____
<b>REGULAR MEMBERSHIP</b> Regular Single Member	\$55	\$ _____
Regular Household Members (2 Adults)	\$60	\$ _____
<b>JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP</b> (under 18 years) Junior Single Member	\$10	\$ _____
<b>ADDITIONAL POSTAGE:</b> First Class <i>Option</i> for Associate or Junior members	\$10	\$ _____
<i>Required</i> for members outside of US: Canada	\$15	\$ _____
All other Countries	\$35	\$ _____

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FEE-  
REQUIRED and NON-REFUNDABLE** **\$10.00**

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send Application (all 3 pages) for Membership and Payment made out to VCA to:

**Vizsla Club of America/VCA Membership  
379 Costa Mesa St  
Costa Mesa, CA 92627**

Payment can also be made via PayPal to: [vcarenewal@gmail.com](mailto:vcarenewal@gmail.com). The additional fee charged by PayPal must be added to the amount.

For questions, more information etc., please email: [vcamembership@gmail.com](mailto:vcamembership@gmail.com)

Do not send applications via any means that requires a signature for delivery. If you have given an email address, your application will be confirmed via email, otherwise please enclose a stamped and addressed envelope/postcard with the application if you wish confirmation.

**Web Listing Application  
For Ask a Member**

The VCA Officers and Board of Directors have voted to allow posting a membership list on the VCA Web Site under the section Ask a Member. see <http://www.vcaweb.org/download/askamember.pdf>

Member information will happen ONLY upon request of the individual member(s).  
There are 7 columns on the web page. There are FIVE (5) columns available for individual information  
Membership type (Associate, Junior or Regular) and Year Joined will be in the other columns.  
All names listed must be accompanied by a signature.

In applying for membership in the VCA, applicants agree to adhere to the Code of Ethics, which is a Guideline for responsible Vizsla ownership sportsmanship and breeding practices. However, publication of VCA membership information does not constitute an endorsement of any individual whose information appears on this site.

The Following Information is REQUIRED for the Web Site Listing:

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

You may choose any THREE (3) of the following to include in the listing:

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Web Site: \_\_\_\_\_

If more than three items are filled in the phone number will automatically be deleted.

**VCA Ask-A-Member Web Posting Release:**

By signing below, I am giving permission for the Vizsla Club of America to post membership information about me on the VCA Web site. I have specified the information that I wish to be posted.

Signature 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature 2: \_\_\_\_\_