



# 2009 ESAA NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FORM

## ESAA CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

I hereby make application for membership in the English Setter Association of America, Inc. and enclose dues in accordance with the ESAA Constitution and By-Laws and the ESAA Code of Ethics (see reverse side). I also agree to abide by the ESAA Constitution and By-Laws, ESAA Code of Ethics, and the Rules of the American Kennel Club.

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. \_\_\_\_\_  
Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr.&Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss/Ms. \_\_\_\_\_  
(If family, include all adults' names)

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

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

I/we have read the ESAA Code of Ethics shown on the back side of this application and agree with its contents. If signature is not included, application cannot be accepted and will be returned.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Member/s Name/s - PRINT PLAINLY) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Member/s Signature)

Endorsed by Two ESAA Members (over 18 years of age - not of same household):

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sponsor's Name - PRINT PLAINLY) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Sponsor's Name - PRINT PLAINLY)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sponsor's Signature) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Sponsor's Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ CLUBS ----- \$50.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY ----- \$50.00 — (2 Adults/Children under 18 years or 1 Adult/Children under 18)  
\_\_\_\_\_ SINGLE ----- \$40.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ JUNIOR ----- \$ 5.00 Date of Birth \_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Surcharge for Members residing in Canada or Mexico (Non-U.S. North American Continent)...\$15.00\*  
\_\_\_\_\_ Surcharge for At Large Members (non-North American Continent)...\$30.00\*

(\*Applicants who do not reside in the Continental U.S., Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico **MUST PAY A SURCHARGE** if they wish to receive a paper copy of the ESAA Newsletter. Any non-Continental U.S., Hawaii, Alaska and Puerto Rico member who opts to receive their newsletter electronically will not be charged a surcharge)

\_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you do not want to receive a paper copy of the ESAA newsletter and wish to receive your ESAA newsletter electronically (a check in this column will negate the need for a surcharge)

RESCUE FUND DONATION \$ \_\_\_\_\_ All funds **MUST BE** in U.S. Currency.

HEALTH/GENETIC DONATION \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ESAA dues are **NOT** tax deductible.

**Make checks payable to ESAA and mail to the ESAA Membership Chairman:**  
**Sandy Miller - 127 Glenwood Road - Rossford OH 43460**

**WHEN SENDING FED-EX—UPS—PRIORITY OR EXPRESS MAIL—WAIVE SIGNATURE**

**MUST INCLUDE BOTH PAGES WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR RENEWAL FORM.**

## BY-LAWS—Article I—Membership

SECTION 1. Eligibility. There shall be one type of voting membership, open to all persons eighteen years of age and older who are in good standing with the American Kennel Club and who subscribe to the purposes of this Association. Additionally, non-voting memberships shall be available to Juniors (under the age of eighteen) and to local English Setter Clubs recognized by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2. Dues. Membership dues in an amount established prior to the month of November by the Board of Directors are payable on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January each year. The Board may establish a special family-dues rate for two adults and children under the age of eighteen and/or one adult and children under the age of eighteen. Any member whose dues are not paid for the current year shall be considered not in good standing and shall not be entitled to nominate candidates for office, be a candidate for office, hold office, vote or receive any privileges of Association membership. A statement of his dues for ensuing year shall be sent to each member no later than December 1<sup>st</sup>.

SECTION 3. Election to Membership. 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 these Constitution and By-Laws and the rules of the American Kennel Club. The application shall state the name and address of the applicant and shall carry the endorsement of two members, not of the same household. Accompanying the application, the prospective member shall submit dues payment for the current year.

Upon receipt of the application, the applicant's name and address shall be printed in the Association Newsletter. Unless an objection in writing is received by the Secretary within thirty (30) days of the mailing date of the Newsletter, the applicant shall become a member of the Association. If such objection is received, no later than sixty (60) days following receipt of such objection, the Board of Directors by written mail vote shall pass on the applicant. Affirmative votes by 2/3 of the Board members voting shall be required to elect such applicant.

An application which has failed acceptance by the Board may be presented by one of the applicant's endorsers at the next meeting of the Association and the Association may elect such applicant by favorable vote of 75% of the members present.

SECTION 4. Termination of Membership. Membership may be terminated:

- (a.) By Resignation. Any member in good standing may resign from the Association upon written notice to the Secretary; but no member may resign when in debt to the Association. Dues obligations are considered a debt to the Association and they become incurred on the first day of each fiscal year.
- (b.) By Lapsing. A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid thirty (30) days after the first day of the fiscal year; however, the Board may grant an additional thirty (30) days of grace to such delinquent members in meritorious cases.
- (c.) By expulsion. A membership may be terminated by expulsion as provided in Article VI of these By-laws.

## CODE OF ETHICS

I understand that membership in the English Setter Association of America is a pledge of sportsmanship, ethics, and responsibility and that as a member:

- I am the caretaker not only of the individual dog but of the reputation and welfare of the breed as a whole.
- It is my responsibility to educate the public and to explain, define, and protect the breed.
- It is incumbent upon me to set the example of each dog being individually cherished but only the physically and temperamentally sound being bred.
- I accept the premise that if I breed a litter those dogs are my responsibility throughout their lifetime.
- My conduct and actions in the sport should reflect positively upon the Association and other fanciers of the breed.
- I will volunteer my time and talents in Association works and endeavors.
- I will encourage the novice, guide the beginner, and school the student while myself seeking to exhibit the friendly sportsmanship that befits this gentlemen's breed.

