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## CKC WELCOMES HAPPY RATTERS TITLE RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Effective July 1, 2026, the Canadian Kennel Club (CKC) will recognize eligible titles earned through Happy Ratters.

Happy Ratters is a fun, positive sport that enhances the bond between dogs and their owner/handler, while always prioritizing the safety of both dogs and vermin in an urban setting. The program encourages camaraderie, sportsmanship, and support between competitors. The CKC is thrilled to adopt this Title Recognition Program beginning July 1, 2026.

Titles earned through Happy Ratters prior to the launch date will also be eligible for CKC recognition.

### The CKC Office will begin accepting applications on or after July 1, 2026.

The following titles can be earned through this Title Recognition Program:

|        |        |                               |
|--------|--------|-------------------------------|
| XRAT   | SUFFIX | HR Expert                     |
| CHR    | SUFFIX | HR Champion                   |
| REX    | SUFFIX | HR Extraordinaire             |
| HRER   | SUFFIX | HR Earn a Rat Level 1         |
| HRERB  | SUFFIX | HR Earn a Rat Bronze          |
| HRERS  | SUFFIX | HR Earn a Rat Silver          |
| HRRRG  | SUFFIX | HR Earn a Rat Gold            |
| HRRG3  | SUFFIX | HR Rats in the Garden Level 3 |
| HRRG4  | SUFFIX | HR Rats in the Garden Level 4 |
| HRRG5  | SUFFIX | HR Rats in the Garden Level 5 |
| HRRH3  | SUFFIX | HR Rats in the House Level 3  |
| HRRH4  | SUFFIX | HR Rats in the House Level 4  |
| HRRH5  | SUFFIX | HR Rats in the House Level 5  |
| HRRT3  | SUFFIX | HR Rat Trap Level 3           |
| HRRT4  | SUFFIX | HR Rat Trap Level 4           |
| HRRT5  | SUFFIX | HR Rat Trap Level 5           |
| HRUDM  | SUFFIX | HR Ultimate Distance Level 3  |
| HRUDMB | SUFFIX | HR Ultimate Distance Bronze   |
| HRUDMS | SUFFIX | HR Ultimate Distance Silver   |
| HRUDMG | SUFFIX | HR Ultimate Distance Gold     |

For more information on Happy Ratters visit the following website: <https://www.happyratters.com/rules/> or click the button below.

[MORE HERE](#)

For your dog to obtain a CKC Title and Certificate, your dog must have the following:

- A CKC Registration Number,
- A Performance Event Number,
- A Canine Companion Number,
- A Miscellaneous Certification Number or
- An Event Registration Number.

In addition, a completed Happy Ratters Title Application Form and the fee listed on the Schedule of Fees plus applicable tax must be provided to CKC.

**The application form will be available on the CKC Website before July 1, 2026. Watch for an announcement prior to the launch date.**

## CKC EXTENDS PARTNERSHIP WITH TRUPANION TO DELIVER NEW MEMBER BENEFITS IN 2026

We're excited to announce that we are continuing our partnership with **Trupanion, Canada's #1 pet insurance provider.\*** More than 2,000 CKC member breeders have benefited from Trupanion's free Breeder Support Program over the past three years, and we look forward to continuing a partnership that supports your efforts to preserve the breeds you love and promote responsible pet ownership across Canada.

Since our partnership began, more than 26,000 CKC-bred puppies have gone home protected with immediate coverage through Trupanion's Go Home Day Offer, helping pets receive almost \$980,000 CAD in care during their offer period. Additionally, Trupanion has proudly paid more than \$10,000,000 CAD in veterinary invoices for CKC member-bred dogs over the life of their policies, reflecting the lasting value this partnership brings to breeders and their puppies.\*\*

Our members are the backbone of the Canadian Kennel Club, and continuing our partnership with Trupanion allows us to offer meaningful support and added benefits across our entire ecosystem. We look forward to sharing more about our work with Trupanion and the new member benefits coming in 2026.

**Planning a new litter or preparing for puppies on the ground?** Click the button below to visit Trupanion's

Breeder Support Program to discover how our partnership with Trupanion can support your program.

[MORE HERE](#)

## Enroll today!

Designed with you in mind, Trupanion's Breeder Support Program provides valuable tools to support your puppies and their new families – because raising a champion takes a team, and protecting them takes Trupanion.

Join this free program to unleash:

- **30 days of immediate Trupanion coverage**

Through Trupanion's Go Home Day Offer, you can send your litters home with 30 days of world-class protection that kicks in immediately upon activation – no waiting, no delays, just peace of mind for your buyers so they can focus on their puppy's transition into their new home.

- **Data-driven insights for healthier litters**

Trupanion's claims data helps you breed with confidence, providing insights to support your litters' genetic health and keep your program strong.

- **Personalized resources**

From vaccination cards to training tips, we help you set your buyers up for a lifetime of tail wags.

- **Free business development tools**

Unlock access to Trupanion's library of veterinarian-approved social posts, infographics, and other value-add resources to help your program stand out. Plus, join Trupanion's exclusive social media community to connect with other breeders and stay engaged with ideas, support, and inspiration year-round.

- **Enhanced Breeder Support**

Trupanion has expanded their dedicated support team. You can now enjoy personalized assistance 24/7/365 by calling 855.266.2154 or reaching out by email to [Breeder@Trupanion.com](mailto:Breeder@Trupanion.com).

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## 2026 FEE SCHEDULE UPDATE

After careful consideration, the CKC Board approved certain fee adjustments at the December 2025 Board Meeting, **effective January 6, 2026.**

CKC values our members and the trust they place in us to deliver meaningful benefits, resources, and experiences. The fee adjustments are a result of inflation and rising costs. The changes will ensure that we can continue to provide great value while keeping membership accessible.

The following fees will increase:

- Annual Registration fees will increase by 2.5% except the following:
- Fees for both Litter Registration and Individual Canadian Born Dog Registration 121 days and over from date of birth will increase by 5%; and
- Transfer of Ownership 121 days and over from date of sale will increase by 5%
- Registration paper certificate fees will increase by \$1.50 to \$5.00

There will be an increase in recording fees for Shows and Trials of \$0.10 to \$5.00 for events with 125 dogs or less and \$0.10 to \$6.50 for events with 126 dogs or more. These are club fees and not fees for individual exhibitors.

Basic membership fees will increase by \$1 for Canadian residents to \$55.00 and \$1.70 to \$71.00 for non-residents. Membership Plus will increase by \$2 to \$110.00 for Canadian residents and by \$1.50 to \$135.00 for non-residents.

Click the button below to view our full schedule of fees **effective January 6, 2026.**

[SEE 2026 FEES](#)

# REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

**As prescribed in Sections 27.9 and 28.12 of CKC By-laws, the Registration Committee cancelled the following litter records:**

- Cancel litter number EU3994819KJ Retrievers (Golden) for failing to provide DNA Parentage Testing Results.
- Cancel dog's application, Brenheather's Boss Baby, HE4227360, for failing to provide DNA Parentage Testing Results.
- Cancel litter number CA591445FG (Poodle) for failing to provide legible DNA Parentage Testing Results.
- Cancel litter number GN4023721JL (Retriever (Labrador) for failing to provide DNA Parentage Testing Results.

# DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE REPORT

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The following report is of disciplinary action taken by the Discipline Committee at its meeting held on November 29 and 30, 2025. All penalties commenced as of January 6, 2026, unless otherwise stated.

Please note that subsequent infractions, not necessarily of the same offence, will carry penalties of increasing severity. Consequently, in those cases where an individual has been found guilty on a separate offence, the penalty will be more severe than for a first-time offender. The reference to the penalty continuing means that the penalty will continue until such time as the provisions of the Animal Pedigree Act, Club's By-laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures have been satisfied.

### **Peter Cadman, ON, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

|                   |   |          |
|-------------------|---|----------|
| Deprived 5 years. | Selling dogs with the erroneous impression that they are registered or eligible to be registered as purebred with the Club. | \$250.00 |
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### **Derek Comeau, ON, Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

|                                   |  |          |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Terminated membership for 1 year. | Failed to abide by the Code of Practice for CKC Member Breeders. | \$250.00 |
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| Suspended 90 days and continuing. | Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months of the date of sale. | \$150.00 |
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### **Derek Comeau, ON, Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

|                                   |  |          |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Suspended 90 days and continuing. | Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months of the date of sale. | \$150.00 |
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### **Derek Comeau, ON, Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

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|-----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Terminated membership for 1 year. | Failed to abide by the Code of Practice for CKC Member Breeders. | \$250.00 |
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|                                   |  |          |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------|
| Suspended 90 days and continuing. | Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months of the date of sale. | \$150.00 |
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### **Mitchell Davis, AB, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

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|-------------------|--|----------|
| Deprived 90 days. | Failed to provide his breeding records for inspection. | \$250.00 |
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|-------------------|--|----------|
| Deprived 5 years. | Submitted an application which contained a material false statement. | \$250.00 |
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### **Jacki Durocher, ON, Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

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|--------------------|--|----------|
| Suspended 90 days. | Failed to abide by the Code of Practice for CKC Member Breeders.<br>Failed to properly identify a dog prior to leaving her premises.<br>Submitted an application which contained a material false statement. | \$150.00 |
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### **Lauren Grant, ON, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

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| Deprived 180 days. | Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months of the date of sale but was provided at the time matter was heard. | \$250.00 |
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# DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE REPORT

**Jo-Ann Hammond, AB, Member**

(Complainant: Serena Lytwinuk)

Warned. Failed to abide by the Code of Ethics. \$150.00

**Karine Ianniciello, QC, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Deprived 90 days and continuing. Failed to provide her breeding records for inspection.

**Karine Ianniciello, QC, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Deprived 90 days and continuing. Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months of the date of sale.

**Karine Ianniciello, QC, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Deprived 90 days and continuing. Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months of the date of sale.

**Catherine Leblanc, QC, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Deprived 1 year and continuing. Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months of the date of sale. \$250.00

**Veronica Matthews, ON, Member**

(Complainant: Norie Hasspieler)

Reprimand. Violations of the Conformation Show Rules and Regulations. \$150.00

**Wendy Nolan, ON, Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Suspended 90 days and continuing. Failed to provide her breeding records for inspection. \$150.00

**Dominique Pépin, QC, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Deprived 180 days. Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months of the date of sale but was provided at the time matter was heard. \$250.00

**Vladimir Piskay, Slovakia, Non-Member**

(Complainant: Cherish Belleau)

Warned. Violations of the Conformation Show Rules and Regulations.

**Tina Rioux, NB, Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Terminated membership for 3 years. Engaged in the breeding and selling of non-purebred dogs. Acted or performed in a manner which may be deemed as contrary to the basic principles and Objects of the Club and/or in the best interests of the Club and its members. \$250.00

**David Ritchkoff, USA, Non-Member**

(Complainant – CKC)

Reprimand. Failed to sign/consent an Application for Registration of a Litter Born in Canada as the co-owner of the sire.

# DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE REPORT

**Crystal Siemens, SK, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Debarred 6 months  
and wins be canceled.

Violations of the Conformation Show Rules and Regulations.

\$250.00

**Deanna Smith, BC, Member**

(Complainant: Kayla Werezak)

Warned.

Failed to abide by the Code of Ethics.

**Karen Spak, AB, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Terminated membership  
for 5 years.

Failed to abide by the Code of Practice for CKC Member  
Breeders.

\$250.00

**Jacob Suelzle, AB, Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Reprimanded.

Engaged in the breeding and selling of non-purebred dogs.  
Acted or performed in a manner which may be deemed  
as contrary to the basic principles and Objects of the Club  
and/or in the best interests of the Club and its members.

**Cheryl Wheatley, ON, Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Suspended 90 days  
and continuing.

Failed to abide by the Code of Practice for CKC Member  
Breeders.

Failed to provide her breeding records for inspection.

\$150.00

**Mike Wheatley, ON, Non-Member**

(Complainant: CKC)

Deprived 90 days  
and continuing.

Failed to abide by the Code of Practice for CKC Member  
Breeders.

Failed to provide his breeding records for inspection.

\$150.00

**Victoria Wilk, AB, Member**

(Complainant – CKC)

Suspended 90 days.

Failed to properly identify dog.

Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months  
of the date of sale but was provided at the time matter was heard.

\$250.00

**Lorna Wall, MB, Non-Member**

(Complainant – CKC)

Deprived 90 days  
and continuing.

(commenced January 3, 2026)

Failed to properly identify dog.

Failed to provide a certificate of registration within 6 months  
of the date of sale.

\$150.00



## CANADIAN KENNEL CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

### Who We Are

The Canadian Kennel Club (CKC) is the primary registry body for purebred dogs in Canada and currently recognizes 187 breeds. As a non-profit organization, the CKC is dedicated to encouraging, guiding, and advancing the interests of purebred dogs and their responsible owners and breeders in Canada and promoting the knowledge and understanding of the benefits which dogs can bring to Canadian society.

The CKC is incorporated under Animal Pedigree Act, a federal statute under the auspices of the Ministry of Agriculture. The organization includes approximately 20,000 individual members and over 700 breed clubs across Canada. The Club registers purebred dogs, regulates dog shows and performance events, and speaks out on major issues concerning dog ownership and the health & welfare of dogs across Canada.

### Mission

As the prime registry of purebred dogs in Canada, our purpose is to serve our members and the public with education, support, guidance and sanctioning of events for all their canine endeavours. Our goal is the preservation of purebred dogs and the health, well-being and enjoyment of all dogs.

### Vision

The CKC with its members, will be the definitive authority in Canada for purebred dogs, and an advocate for all dogs, setting the standard for the preservation of breeds and continuous improvement of health, wellbeing and enjoyment of purebred dogs.

### Values

**Passion:** We are dedicated to purebred dogs with the belief in the value of dogs as an integral part of our lives, our society and the contributions dogs brings to our humanity.

**Preservation:** We are committed to the preservation of breed characteristics while producing healthy well-socialized dogs, with a commitment to continuous improvement and well-being of purebred dogs.

**Knowledge:** We educate and expand public awareness of the contribution purebred dogs bring to society. This includes the vast array of activities and opportunities for purebred dog enthusiasts... as well as a commitment to the principles of responsible breeding practices and responsible dog ownership.

**Commitment:** We protect and enhance the interests of our members, breeders, associated clubs and the public, supporting them with openness, honesty and compassion.

**Integrity:** We uphold the integrity of our registry, the high standards of governance and management of the Canadian Kennel Club.

AN INFORMATION SUPPLEMENT FROM THE CKC

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