



# FINNISH LAPPHUND — CLUB OF AMERICA —

## Application for Membership

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

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#### Primary Applicant

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

Kennel Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### Secondary Applicant

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

(Second household member, if applicable. Junior members must complete their own separate application)

Relationship to Primary Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Member Name, Email Address, and Kennel Name are shared in the club directory for members only.*

### DOG INFORMATION

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List the name and registration number of a Finnish Lapphund owned, co-owned, or residing in the same home as each applicant. This section not required for Associate Applicants.

Primary Applicant's Dog Name

\_\_\_\_\_ AKC Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Applicant's Dog Name, if applicable

\_\_\_\_\_ AKC Registration # \_\_\_\_\_

### CLUB SPONSORS

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Applicant(s) must be sponsored by two full members in good standing with the FLCA who know the Applicant(s). Sponsors may not reside at the same address nor be related to the Applicant(s). Only one Sponsor can be the breeder or co-breeder of any Finnish Lapphund owned by the Applicant(s). **Sponsors please complete the separate New Member Sponsor Form.**



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### **TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP** Please choose one.

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**Regular (Individual) (\$30.00).** Open to any resident of the United States 18 years of age and older who owns or co-owns an AKC registered Finnish Lapphund. Individual members enjoy all club privileges including the right to vote.

**Household (\$40.00).** Open to two adults who qualify as a Regular (Individual) member and reside in the same household. Each person has one vote and each may hold office.

**Associate (\$10.00).** Open to persons 18 years of age and older but are not required to own a Finnish Lapphund at the time of application. This type of membership is not allowed to hold office or vote. An Associate Member must reapply to convert to any other form of membership.

**Associate Household (\$15.00).** Open to two adults of the same family or two persons of different names who reside at the same address who do not a Finnish Lapphund. This membership is not allowed to vote or hold office.

**Junior (\$0.00).** Open to an individual under 18 years of age. A Junior may continue in this classification until the end of the calendar year in which they reach age 18. Junior members cannot hold office or vote.

**Foreign (\$10.00).** Open to individuals who are not U.S. residents (or its territories and possessions). Shall be entitled to all club privileges except voting and holding office.

**Honorary and Life Member(s).** Please contact corresponding secretary for information.

**Note:** The membership fee shall be pro-rated at time of submission of your application.

### **FINNISH LAPPHUND CLUB OF AMERICA CODE OF ETHICS**

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The members of the Finnish Lapphund Club of America are committed to the preservation and improvement of the breed. In applying for and maintaining membership, the applicant agrees to further the FLCA's objectives-as stated in the Constitution and Bylaws and conduct themselves in all activities in connection with the breed in accordance with this Code of Ethics.

1. The FLCA member accurately registers Finnish Lapphunds with the American Kennel Club and abides by American Kennel Club rules and regulations. The member keeps accurate records of their dogs and breedings.
2. The FLCA member is a responsible dog owner who will provide a loving home, with adequate care, nutrition, veterinary services, and cleanliness. Breeders actively work to place all puppies in loving homes and are committed to the health and safety of all dogs they produce for the entirety of the dog's life, including taking dogs back or assisting with rehoming as necessary.
3. A responsible breeder makes every effort to learn about genetics, reproduction, effective puppy raising, and seeks to continue learning. Prospective breeders should seek out a mentor and experienced breeders should share their knowledge.



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4. Breedings should only be done with the purpose of preserving the breed to the standard with mature (at least 18 months, preferably 24 months) dogs in good health. Both dogs should be health tested to their country of origin’s standards. Hips should be free of dysplasia as determined by OFA, PennHip, equivalent foreign registry, or Board Certified Veterinary Radiologist. Eyes should be examined by a Veterinary Ophthalmologist and any defects noted should be considered in breeding decisions. Other genetic defects and diseases that should be considered in breeding decisions include, PRA, elbows, patellas, DM, Pompe’s and others as available. Breeders will perform genetic tests, making the results publicly available, and make informed decisions about breedings, including providing results and information to potential puppy buyers.
5. The FLCA recommends contracts between all parties involved in breedings and sale of puppies.
6. The FLCA member does not supply puppies or adults to pet shops, brokers, puppy mills, research laboratories, raffles and auctions, or other contests. When advertising, the FLCA member is factual about their Finnish Lapphunds.
7. The FLCA member exhibits Finnish Lapphunds in conformation, companion, and performance events in conformity with the rules for the American Kennel Club as well as other breed and canine performance organizations and in the spirit of good sportsmanship. When traveling with Finnish Lapphunds, the FLCA member makes reasonable efforts to maintain hotels and show grounds in a clean condition.
8. When confronted by a situation not covered by this Code of Ethics, the FLCA member conducts oneself in the best interest of the breed and club and as they would like to be treated in a similar circumstance.

Failure to conduct oneself in compliance with this Code of Ethics shall be considered prejudicial to the best interests of the Finnish Lapphund breed. Upon receipt of sufficient written proof of violation of this Code of Ethics, the Board of Directors will proceed according to the Constitution and Bylaws of the FLCA.

**Applicant(s) Please Read and Sign the Following Statements.**

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By signing below, I/We hereby apply for membership in the FLCA. If accepted, I/We agree to abide by its Constitution, Bylaws, rules, regulations and Code of Ethics. I/We also agree to accept the FLCA Board of Directors jurisdiction in the above.

Primary Applicant’s Signature

Date

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Secondary Applicant’s Signature

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Date

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**Submit Your Application**

Please return all pages of your completed application to:

Nancy Kaye, Corresponding Secretary  
**wakspak@gmail.com**

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**Submit Your Payment**

Payment instructions for membership fees will follow upon receipt of your completed application.