

**The VCA Resolutions and Code of Ethics have been adopted as the VCC Code of Ethics with regards to breeding practices and hence are the basis of our Breeder Referral Program.**

**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.

**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:**

- Maintain the best possible standard of canine health, cleanliness and veterinary care in an atmosphere conducive to the stable development of their dogs.

**Breeding:**

- 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.
- 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 Willebrand's, 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
- 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 - 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.

**VCC MISSION STATEMENT:** To provide guidance, assistance and companionship to Vizsla owners and admirers who wish to explore and experience the versatile aspects of the Hungarian Vizslas