## **Responsible New Dog Breeder Checklist**

	Yes	No
Time Dedication		
I am willing to become a member of the national breed club, and to participate in breed activities to support my dog's breed (Conformation Shows, Agility Competitions, etc.)		
I can devote the time to care for the puppies until they are old enough to go to their new homes (typically eight weeks)		
I can cope with a potentially large litter (10 to 15 puppies).		
I am ready and willing to take back or re-home any puppies if it becomes necessary.		
I am willing to take the time to interview and/or visit prospective purchasers.		
Knowledge		
I know enough about my breed of dogs to advise new owners on all aspects of care for their new puppies, including diet, training, health issues, and general rearing tips.		
I know enough about my dogs breed to be able to rear a new litter properly, including worming, vaccinations, and socialization.		
I know enough to be able to help the bitch during whelping, if it becomes necessary.		
Financial		
I am financially able to pay for all recommended hereditary defect testing prior to breeding.		
I am financially able to pay for all recommended health tests for my bitch prior to mating, as well as recommended health tests for her litter.		
I can afford a caesarean if there is difficulty in whelping the litter.		
Other		
I know how to find good homes for the puppies in my area.		