



BERNESE MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.
Membership Application

The BMDCA Membership process may take as long as 6 months. Applicant's name, address and telephone number, together with the names of the sponsors shall be published in the Club's next scheduled Bulletin. Members will be allowed 30 days to file an objection in writing to any individual's membership application. Applicants will be elected by the Board at the next scheduled meeting following the 30 day review period or by written vote of the Board of Directors. Please be thorough and use as many pages as is necessary as this is your opportunity to express yourself accurately and completely and to show understanding of the responsibility that comes along with BMDCA membership.

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Address: _____ Email: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Kennel name: _____ Website: _____

Occupation: (if retired indicate pre-retirement occupation) _____

Check where applicable: Dog owner Exhibitor Breeder Rescue

1. When did you first acquire a BMD? _____

2. Please indicate your reasons for requesting membership in the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America: _____

3. What do you hope to gain from your membership in the BMDCA? _____

4. Would you be interested in serving the BMDCA in some voluntary capacity: Yes No
What are your strengths and/or interests (dog-related or other): _____

5. How many Bernese Mountain Dogs do you or your immediate family own? _____
How many dogs reside with you? ____ Of these, how many have you raised from puppyhood? _____

6. List by year the number of Bernese Mountain Dog litters you have registered with the AKC or other organization. Please give the names of organizations where registered: _____

7. How many times has your BMD(s) supplied stud services to other Bernese Mountain Dogs? _____

8. Have you ever bred a litter of dogs – or provided stud services to BMDs – that was not registered with the AKC, or was not registered with any organization? Yes No

If yes, please explain circumstances and/or provide names of organization where litter was registered: _____

9. Briefly state your philosophy as a breeder and/or stud dog owner: _____

10. Do you perform and submit for evaluation hip and elbow radiographic examinations (OFA) on all your BMDs? Yes No . If not, please explain: _____

11. Do you perform and submit for evaluation annual ophthalmologic examinations (CERF/SHOR), Cardiac exams, and von Willebrands testing on all your BMDs? Yes No

If not, please explain: _____

12. Name other breeds you own, and how many litters you have bred with these other breeds: _____

13. Within the last 3 years have you exhibited or participated with your dogs in (circle all that apply):

Conformation Obedience Agility Tracking Herding Drafting Therapy Other: _____

14. Please list any AKC titles your dogs have earned: _____

15. Are your dogs spayed/neutered? Yes No

If not, please explain: _____

16. Name of organized Bernese Mountain Dog Club(s) of which you are a member and positions you have held: _____

17. Name of AKC recognized all-breed kennel, obedience or agility club(s) of which you are a member and positions you have held: _____

18. If you are a member of a local all-breed, obedience, specialty or national club, are you currently in good standing with that organization? Yes No

If no, please explain: _____

19. Have you ever been suspended or disciplined by a local all-breed, obedience, specialty or national breed club? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

20. Have you ever been denied membership to any dog-related club? Yes No

If you answered yes, please attach an explanation.

21. Are you an AKC licensed judge? Yes No Are you a professional handler? Yes No

22. Are you currently in good standing with the AKC? Yes No

If you answered no, please attach an explanation.

23. Have your privileges ever been suspended by the AKC? Yes No

If you answered yes, please attach an explanation.

24. Have you ever been charged with animal cruelty by any agency? Yes No

If you answered yes, please attach an explanation.

25. Are you now or have you ever been associated with a wholesale or retail canine operation?

Yes No If yes, please attach an explanation.

26. Do you sell, or have you sold, dogs to pet stores or other persons, for resale through pet stores or other commercial outlets? Yes No If so, explain: _____

27. Are you or any member of your household engaged in a dog or pet-related business?

Yes No If yes, please indicate the type and services provided: _____

28. List any hobbies other than your dogs: _____

29. Describe any experience or training you may have that might be helpful to the BMDCA in developing meetings, programs, publicity or public relations, art, public speaking, etc. or any other fields in which you feel you have qualifications not referenced above and that you would be willing to share as a volunteer:

30. What activities do you and your dog(s) enjoy doing together? _____

Bernese Mountain Dogs Currently Owned: (Please list all additional dogs on a separate sheet)

Note: If this information is current in the Berner-Garde database you do not need to complete this table. Please print and attach a copy of your Berner-Garde People page showing your dogs.

Registered Name	AKC Number	Sex (M/F)	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	BG Number	Breeder

Berner-Garde Health and Litter Database

What is your Berner-Garde People ID? _____

Health information on all of the dogs I own/co-own has has not been submitted to the Berner-Garde Database. If not, please explain: _____

Litter information on all litters I have bred/co-bred has has not been submitted to the Berner-Garde Database. If not, please explain: _____

Please add any additional comments you feel are relevant to your application for membership to the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America: _____

Sponsors

Two (2) current BMDCA Members in good standing for two consecutive years must endorse all applicants. The two sponsors must be unrelated, from separate households and must have known the applicant for at least one year. If possible, one BMDCA member should have visited the applicant’s home. Please indicate the members who will be sponsoring your application for membership.

Sponsor #1 _____ Sponsor #2 _____

I, the undersigned, hereby apply for membership in the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc., and hereby agree to abide by the Constitution and the Bylaws of the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc., and by the rules and regulations of the Club and of the American Kennel Club now and hereafter made. I further agree to abide by the Club’s Code of Conduct. I have read the questions set forth on this application and have answered the same truthfully and completely. I understand that should this application be denied, the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America, Inc., is not obligated to make known the reasons to me.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date: _____

Please make a check or money order (in U.S. funds only) payable to the BMDCA.

Send your completed application materials to:
Barb LeTourneau
BMDCA New Member Chair
33587 Eagle Court
Elizabeth, CO 80107

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