

AKC DELEGATE

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I. INTRODUCTION

The AKC Delegate is the primary interface between the American Kennel Club and the American Bouvier des Flandres Club. The delegate shall represent the Club at all meetings of the AKC and shall vote thereat in accordance with the best interests of the Club and, as appropriate, as instructed by the Board of Governors.

A delegate is elected annually and serves until the successor is qualified by the AKC. The delegate may, but not need be, a Governor or Officer of the Club. A delegate who is not a Governor or Officer is expected to attend meetings of the ABdFC Board of Governors but shall not be eligible to vote.

II. The AKC Delegate shall:

- A. Attend all quarterly meetings of the AKC in New York City and represent the interests of the ABdFC. The ABdFC Board of Governors may occasionally state their official position.
- B. Act as a liaison between the AKC and the members and officers of the American Bouvier des Flandres Club.
- C. Serve as an advisor to the regional clubs and to individual Bouvier owners on matters pertaining to the AKC. It must be noted that the delegate is the elected representative of the ABdFC and as such must consider the opinion of the ABdFC above those of regional clubs and individual Bouvier owners when voting on or debating an issue before the AKC.
- D. Make the following information available to the ABdFC Board of Governors and membership:
 1. That which was disseminated at the quarterly delegate meetings,
 2. The outcome of all votes,
 3. Changes to legislation, AKC policies, AKC rules and other items which may have an impact on Bouvier owners, the ABdFC or the dog fancy in general.
- E. Attend all meetings of the ABdFC Board of Governors. The delegate does not have a vote in the business of the board, but may offer information and opinions pertinent to the issue at hand.
- F. Receive a copy of all information distributed to officers and governors for each Board of Governors meeting.
- G. Serve as an advisor on various committees at the request of the Board of Governors. The main reason for the delegate's involvement is to provide

information on AKC rules and policies, to share ideas gleaned from fellow delegates and alert the committees to possible conflicts with current AKC policies and rules in the committee's work.