

To indicate that a puppy is to be registered with Limited status, breeders must check the box on a dog's individual registration application.

### Spay/Neuter Contracts

Some breeders choose to sell some of their puppies on Spay-Neuter Contracts, which require that the dog be spayed or neutered by a certain age. Spay-Neuter contracts may be used in conjunction with, or independently of, Limited Registration designation. Breeders and owners should be aware that the AKC does not and cannot enter into arbitration when an understanding such as a Spay-Neuter contract between buyers, sellers, or co-owners goes wrong. The AKC will abide by the decision of the court if the case is litigated. The only way breeders can be assured that the offspring of their puppies will not be AKC-registrable is by specifying Limited Registration on the registration application.

The AKC encourages breeders and owners to discuss in full and reach agreement on all conditions of the sale of puppies before the purchase is finalized.

After all, a new owner's relationship with his or her puppy's breeder should be as long and happy as the relationship with the puppy itself.

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OFFSPRING OF THIS DOG NOT ELIGIBLE FOR REGISTRATION

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NAME: JANIES YOUNGER AND FASTER OFA24E CERF25 AKC DNA #V654321  
BREED: COCKER SPANIEL  
COLOR: BLK WH & TN, RN  
SIRE: NGDC JASON FENDER RY SZ054321/02 (09-98) OFA26E OFEL36 CERF32 AKC DNA #V123456  
DAM: CH IRMAS CHARMING RENNINGER TO, CD SZ098765/01 (10-01) OFA30S OFEL30  
BREEDER: JAN SAMPLE & IRMA SAMPLE  
OWNER: JAN SAMPLE & IRMA SAMPLE  
123 SAMPLE STREET  
SAMPLEVILLE, SA 99999-9999

NUMBER: SZ1234568/01  
SEX: FEMALE  
DATE OF BIRTH: NOV 15 1999  
CERTIFICATE ISSUED: NOV 20 2001

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB LIMITED REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

If a date appears after the name and number of the sire and dam, it indicates the issue of the Stud Book Register in which the sire or dam is published.  
For Transfer Instructions, see back of Certificate.  
This Certificate issued with the right to correct or revoke by the American Kennel Club.

Example of Limited Registration Papers

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Your Life Is Never  
The Same"

## Limited vs. Full AKC Registration



If You Have Any Questions, Please  
Don't Hesitate To Ask

The American Kennel Club has always recognized the role of the responsible breeder in preserving the integrity of its registry and the quality of the purebred dog in this country. In June of 1989, the delegates of the AKC voted to give breeders a valuable tool to protect their programs--the option of selling their puppies under Full or Limited Registration.

Dogs with Full Registration privileges can compete in all AKC events, and their offspring can be registered with the AKC.

Dogs with Limited Registration privileges are allowed to compete in all AKC Companion and Performance events, but not in Conformation events (dog shows). Additionally, no puppies produced by a dog with Limited Registration are eligible for AKC registration.

The choice to register a dog with Full or Limited privileges is solely in the hands of the dog's breeder. The breeder indicates the Full or Limited designation by completing a section of the dog's individual registration application. The breeder's designation is entered into the AKC registration system along with the dog's name, sex, color, and number, and becomes part of the dog's permanent registration record. If the dog is entered in an AKC event, or if it appears as a sire or a dam on a litter application, it is checked for eligibility against its Full or Limited Registration status.

### Benefits for Breeders

Limited registration honors the prerogative of knowledgeable, responsible breeders to decide which dogs in a litter may later be bred to produce AKC-registered dogs and which may not. By indicating Limited Registration on a dog's applica-

tion and explaining the conditions to the new owners, the breeder can be confident that the owner cannot use the dog to produce and sell AKC-registerable puppies that may not meet the standards of the breeder's program.

If the breeder later decides that the dog has developed in such a way that its registration status should be changed, the breeder has the right to change the status from Limited to Full. Only the breeder has the power to make that change, and, in the case of multiple breeders, all breeders must agree. The owner cannot make any changes to the dog's registration status.

By using Limited Registration, breeders can provide AKC papers to all of their puppy owners, while still controlling which puppies will be bred. It is an excellent tool to demonstrate breeders' concern for the future of their lines and their commitment to preserving excellence within their breed.

### Benefits for Owners

Owners should know that the Limited Registration status has no bearing on a dog's potential to be an excellent representative of its breed, a wonderful pet, and a standout participant in most AKC events. In fact, having a "Limited" dog can be very liberating; as owners don't have to wrestle with the question "to breed or not to breed"-that decision is made by the breeder when the Limited option is indicated on the registration application.

Dogs with Limited Registration can compete in every AKC event except Conformation (because the latter is an evaluation of breeding stock). These include the Companion

Events--Obedience, Rally, Agility and Tracking--which are open to all breeds, and the Performance Events--Field Trials, Hunting, Lure Coursing, Herding, Earthdog and Coonhound--which are open to specific breeds only.

Training for and participating in these events promotes a special bond between dogs and owners. Together, dogs and owners learn new skills; spend quality time together, and--who knows? --May even achieve great success in their chosen sport.

When it comes to being a great competitor or just a lifelong friend, a dog with Limited Registration has no limits at all.

