

Policy 3.02.0

Guidelines for anyone who wishes to become a new member of the Nanaimo Kennel Club

Procedure:

- When someone wants to become a member of the Nanaimo Kennel Club, they will need to have a sponsor who is a member in good standing in the Nanaimo Kennel Club.
- It is expected that the sponsor will stay in contact to support and mentor the new member(s).
- The prospective member will be required to attend one Nanaimo Kennel Club General meeting as an observer. At the meeting, if they decide they would like to become a member, they may fill out an application and submit it to the Membership Secretary.
- The Membership Secretary will be required to provide information on the Code of Ethics, Bylaws, Constitution, Policies and make the applicant aware that the NKC follows the Robert's Rules of Order and the BC Societies Act in conducting all of the meetings.
- The NKC membership secretary will send a notice to all NKC members advising them of the new application and requesting any one to provide any reason why this person should or should not become a member. The membership then can write to the Board of Directors before their next executive meeting if they have any concerns and describing what those concerns are.
- The Board of Directors will make a decision based on input from the members.
- At the next General Meeting of the NKC if there are no concerns, the person can pay their fees and be introduced by their sponsor as a new member. The person should tell about their dog(s), dog-related interests and what skills or talents they will bring to the club.
- If the next meeting is an AGM, the person will not become a member or an associate member until the following meeting.
- If the person applies between September 1 and October 31, upon approval of the membership, the person will be an associate member until January 1 of the following year.
- If there is any reason that the person should not become a member, a letter will be provided stating that the member did not meet the club requirements and therefore will not be able to join the NKC.

