

## Bavarian Mountain Scent Hound Society of America Membership Application

### Type of Membership : As defined in the Constitution and By Laws

Single Membership     Family Membership     Junior     Foreign  
\$10.00 a year                      \$15.00 a year                      Free                      \$20.00 a year

Membership dues ( US Dollar amount ) are renewed January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Members joining after that date will be charged the same rate. Juniors are under 19 years of age.

**Sign, date and mail application with check made out to "BMSHSA" to:**  
Olsie Owens, Treasurer; 7699 Jack Adcock Road; Oxford, N.C.; 27565

Note: Dues are not tax deductible and membership approval can take up to 8 weeks.

#### Member Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Single or Foreign Membership  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> if Family Membership  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ **For Junior Only**

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Foreign Address** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Bavarian Mountain Scent Hounds that you currently own and Microchip #  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other Breeds that you own \_\_\_\_\_

Dog Clubs or Organizations you belong to : \_\_\_\_\_

What interested you in the BMSH breed ? \_\_\_\_\_

What Committees or skills do you have to assist the Society with  
\_\_\_\_\_

What activities do you participate in **or** that you're interested in trying :

Show     Tracking     SAR     Agility     Hunting     Obedience  
 Rally     Weight Pull     House Pet     Service Dog     OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Part 2

Please read and sign. This must accompany your membership application and dues when mailed to the Treasurer.

I / We \_\_\_\_\_ hereby submit My / Our application for membership in the Bavarian Mountain Scent Hound Society of America. ( BMSHSA )

**By signing PAGE 3 of this application, I / We agree to the following:**

1. Abide by the rules and policies set forth in the Constitution and By Laws of the BMSHSA and those of the AKC, in all activities and involvement to the betterment of the Bavarian Mountain Scent Hound breed.
2. Abide by the Code of Ethics for this Society listed below.
3. I / We understand that any member of the BMSHSA may be expelled by a majority of the Executive Board voting by secret ballot for conduct by word , deed, and act deemed detrimental to this Society, it's members, and the breed.
4. Agree to hold the best interests of the BMSH and all dogs under My / Our care above all other considerations.

**Members CODE OF ETHICS**

The long term sustainability and health of the BMSH breed in America rests in the hands of those that love, care and breed this dog. Thoughtless or reckless behavior endangers not only the health of personal animals, but the dogs of others, and the future generations to come.

It is for this reason that the BMSHSA sets forth a CODE OF ETHICS that all members strive to achieve.

**Conduct**

To conduct oneself in a professional manner pertaining to all involvement with the BMSHSA, AKC, UKC, and FCI.

Uphold all rules and policies concerning activities sponsored by these organizations.

Avoid intentionally ruining the reputation of other breeders or these organizations.

**Welfare of the Dogs in My Care**

Members make it a priority to provide nutritious food, exercise, socialization, training, Veterinary care, and affection throughout their dog's lifetime.

Puppies are in need of proper socialization and immunity protection. It is therefore important that No puppy be placed, shipped, or transported before 8 weeks of age.

Members must make every effort to ensure their puppies and dogs are placed in homes free of abuse, neglect, and mistreatment.

Dogs and puppies are never to be sold at auction, given as raffle or lottery items, sold to dog fighting brokers, wholesalers, labs, or pet stores.

Members will encourage puppy buyers to uphold the same principles.

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**Breeder's Commitment in Quality and Care**

Member's breeding should be done to improve the best qualities of the BMSH as set forth in the FCI and AKC Breed Standard.

Members will provide buyers with a Veterinarian health and vaccination record. Puppy and dog buyers will be supplied with a written care packet and contract.

Members will only breed mature dogs and bitches that have passed OFA health tests and have a Health Certificate from a licensed Veterinarian.

Members will stay current on any genetic testing or health related problems.

Members must not breed dogs or bitches known to have known genetic diseases.

Member's breeding practices must be done in an honest way that includes discussion of problems or diseases occurring within their line, and being responsible for any health issues that arise from their line.

Members will have written transactions and contracts for buyers stating their policies and conditions for puppies and dogs sold. Use of Non-Breeding contracts for pet quality puppies or dogs. Full Registration should be reserved for show or breeding quality animals.

Members recognize the need for long term care and responsibility of the BMSH they produce. Therefore, Members will take back, re-home, replace, and rehabilitate at their expense dogs they have bred, co-bred, sold, or otherwise have been a party to. Written contracts or agreements with the buyer will state that should the need arise, the animal will be returned to the Member instead of relinquishing to an animal control facility. If an animal is deemed unable to be rehabilitated or re-homed, the Member will advise the owner of humane euthanasia, or will be responsible for having this done if the owner is unable or incapable of doing so.

Accepted by vote of the BMSHSA membership on January 3, 2017

**Please sign as part of your membership application**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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For Membership Committee

Application Received \_\_\_\_\_ Paid by \_\_\_\_\_ Approved Date \_\_\_\_\_