

# **BREEDER DIRECTORY & EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**To be listed in the Breeder Directory, please indicate below how you would like your listing to be printed on the Breeders' Directory and include your \$30.00 payment with remittance:** (Name, Kennel Name, Address, Phone Number, E-mail, etc.)

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**Check all that apply (see descriptions below):**

H       E       K       P       A       S       R       W   
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H	Breeders using this designation certify that their breeding stock has been x-rayed, and certified by either the <u>OFA (Orthopedic Foundation for Animals)</u> or <u>PennHip</u> . For OFA certifications, breeders agree to use Shibas with a rating of "Fair" or better in all their breeding programs. Those utilizing the PennHip method only breed Shibas with "Better than Average" ratings.
E	Breeders using this designation use Shibas that have had eyes cleared of any hereditary defects by a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists (ACVO) or if a foreign breeder, by the appropriate counterpart in his country. Many breeders also register this verification with the <u>Canine Eye Registry Foundation (CERF)</u> . Breeders have agreed to do this examination at least once every two years for this designation.
K	Breeders, who use this designation, certify that breeding Shibas have been checked and rated normal for patellae (knees) by a licensed veterinarian.
P	Puppies available occasionally. Seldom do breeders have puppies just sitting around waiting for adoption. You should know that you might need to put a deposit on a planned, upcoming litter. If feasible, it is best to visit more than one breeder prior to putting down a deposit.
A	Adults available occasionally. Sometimes there is that "show prospect" that a breeder keeps for their own, that for one reason or other doesn't quite meet the breeder's high standards for a show pup, and they may wish to place them. Or a breeder has a finished champion Shiba that would be best suited in a new home where they could become the center of attention. Generally speaking, these are Shibas from 1-6 years of age. In both cases these Shibas are usually well trained, housebroken, and make exceptional companions.
S	Stud service available to approved Shiba bitches.
R	Rescue Shibas available occasionally.
W	All adoptions are done by written placement agreement signed by breeder and purchaser
G	Breeders using this designation agree to provide a health guarantee for all placements. Any known health defects are disclosed in writing prior to sale or placement.
C	Breeders using this designation indicate that they do exhibit their Shibas occasionally (or use Professional Handlers) in Conformation, to receive AKC Championship status on their breeding stock.
O	Breeders using this designation occasionally exhibit their Shibas in AKC shows of obedience, agility, canine good citizen, etc.