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AKC's designated Alaskan Klee Kai National Parent Club

#### **ALASKAN KLEE KAI CLUB OF AMERICA**

**AKC FSS Open Show Breed Specialty** (For Alaskan Klee Kai Only)

> Saturday, February 24, 2024 Show Hours: 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. All Judging will be Indoors.

**Del Mar Fairgrounds** 22260 Jimmy Durante Blvd. **Del Mar, CA 92014** 

Judge: Mrs. Edy Dykstra-Blum (AKC#20342)



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### AKC Code of Sportsmanship

PREFACE: The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companion. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.

- · Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
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- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
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- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
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This event is open to all dogs four (4) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate. No Champions of Record may compete in and Open Show. Professional handlers or agents are only permitted to exhibit in FSS Open Shows if they are listed as an owner of record of the dog being exhibited.

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#### Ring 16 No Earlier than 2:30 P.M. Pick up armbands at ring 16, before the show.

There are 18 Alaskan Klee Kai entered in this show with a total of 18 entries.

#### 4/12; Veterans 1/1

6-9 Months Puppy Dogs
 Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs
 Open Dogs
 Open Bitches

1 7 years and older Veteran Dogs

1 7 years and older Veteran Bitches

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Puppy, 4 & Under 6 Months Dogs. First, Rosette offered by Terry Wright.

Puppy, 6 & Under 9 Months Dogs. First, Rosette offered by AKKCOA Education Comm.

Puppy, 9 & Under 12 Months Dogs. First, Rosette offered by April Yoser.

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Puppy, 6 & Under 9 Months Bitches. First, Rosette offered by AKKCOA Education Comm.

Puppy, 9 & Under 12 Months Bitches. First, Rosette offered by April Yoser.

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Open Bitches. First, Rosette offered by Zack Simpson.

Veterans Bitch. First, Rosette offered by Zack Simpson.

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#### Alaskan Klee Kai. Puppy, 6 months and under 9 months Dogs.

**1 5** Hope's Rightful Heir V Nornir, NP86935401. 06/27/2023.

Breeder: Jacki & Clayton Pauley. By Hope's Something to Shout About – Nordic's State Fair @ Hope. **Owner: Alexandra Kimbrough.** 

#### Alaskan Klee Kai. Bred-By-Exhibitor Dogs.

**1 9 Del Mar's Benjiro, NP78373002.** 04/20/2022.

Breeder: Aprilfawn White. By ICE Del Mar's Maverick - Mikka-Dekk's

Bristow @ Del Mar. Owner: Aprilfawn White.

#### Alaskan Klee Kai. Open Dogs.

**1 11 Nordic's Mr.Big Fluff, NP89234901.** 09/17/2021.

Breeder: Brenda Tobin. By Nordic's Jupiter - Nordic's Fluff Fluff.

Owner: Erika David.

2 13 Alasco's Chukchi, NP67647201. 08/02/2015.

Breeder: Eileen Gregory. By Alasco's Fanshaw - Alasco's Orca.

Owner: Eileen Gregory, Agent Seppe Bodequin.

#### Alaskan Klee Kai. 9 months and under 12 months Bitches.

2 DK's Sakuya-Hime @ Ikigai, NP86150503. 04/20/2023.

Breeder: Anthony Gomez. By Cali's Dark Knight Rises—Galaxy's Radiant Phoenix @ Cali. Owner: Sandra Del Rio & Anthony Gomez.

**3 26 ICE's Angels Starseed, NP84911002.** 03/05/2023.

Breeder: Alaskan Klee Kai ICE. By Nordic's Steele @ Diamond E—ICE's Lady Leoti. **Owner: Michelle Short, Agent Anastasia Lee.** 

**1 30 Nordic's Brigid, NP89372901.** 04/30/2023.

Breeder: Brenda Tobin. By Nordic's Eros-Nordic's Fornax.

Owner: Brenda Tobin.

#### Alaskan Klee Kai. Bred-By-Exhibitor Bitches.

2 12 Thurisia's Rooted in Victory, NP72668301. 01/29/2022.

Breeder: Jennifer Hsia. By Thurisia's Darkk Rd To Reading—Thurisia's Legend of Evenstar. Owner: Jennifer Hsia & Jade Goh.

1 18 Galaxys Radiant Phoenix @ Cali, NP66527001. 08/28/2018.

Breeder: Anthony Gomez. By Mikkas Atlas Super Nova—Calis Luna Nebula Owner: Anthony Gomez.

3 28 Kleekaiveldeke Umi, NP89367501. 07/06/2021.

Breeder: Seppe Bodequin. By Schojan Rebel—Pure Austrian Wilderness Skya. **Owner: Seppe Bodequin.** 

#### Alaskan Klee Kai. Open Bitches.

- **6 Thurisia's Voice of Reason,** NP68467603. 04/20/2021.

  Breeder: Thurisia's Kennels. By Pocket's Kaskae Ikkuma Cascade—
  Aliak's Her Darkk Materials. **Owner: Cheryl Simpson & Jennifer Hsia.**
- **8 Ice's Perfect Moon Gem @ Regal,** NP81379501. 11/17/2021.

  Breeder: Michelle Short. By Cali's Mile High Denver @ Ice—Kikid's Sedalia @ ICE. **Owner: Elisa Rataczak.**
- 4 10 Thurisia's Legend of Evenstar, NP64274901. 09/08/2019.
  Breeder: Jennifer Hsia. By Allerian's Legendarium V Aliak—Severnaya Luna Covert Affairs. Owner: Jennife Hsia & Jade Goh.
- 2 16 Ikigais Montanera De Kita @ Cali, NP71241402. 10/03/2021.
  Breeder: Sandra Del Rio. By Del Mars Shogun—Del Mars Geisha.
  Owner: Anthony Gomez.
  - **22 Mikka-Dekk's Bristow @ Del Mar,** NP74601001. 07/12/2018. Breeder: Aprilfawn White. By DelMar Maximum Jax @ Diamond E—Foxx-Mikka's Dancing Queen. **Owner: Aprilfawn White.**
- 1 24 Nordic's Guinevere, NP88961001. 04/08/2022.

  Breeder: Brenda Tobin. By Nordic's Eros—Nordic's Minerva.

  Owner: Erika David.

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#### Alaskan Klee Kai. Veteran, 7 Years or Older Dogs

7 Del Mar's Shogun, NP66528001. 11/08/2012.
Breeder: Aprilfawn White. By Aliak's Lokstok N Smokn Del Mar-Del Mar-Wow Snow Furian. Owner: Sandra Del Rio.

#### Alaskan Klee Kai. Veteran, 7 Years or Older Bitches

1 4 Aliak's Her Darkk Materials, NP64275101. 06/02/2015. Breeder: Karen Street. By Boston's I M Iron Man of Aliak-Aliak Darkk Splash Of Cream. Owner: Jennifer Hsia

#### \*\*\*\*\* BEST OF VETERAN, 7 Years or Older \*\*\*\*\*

Best of Veteran, 7 Years or Older \_\_\_7\_\_\_

(Judge called for veteran to be in "best of" instead of fun match after.) Dog is intact

### Congratulations Everyone!!

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#### Alaskan Klee Kai Breed Standard

#### General Appearance:

The Alaskan Klee Kai is a small sized companion dog that is alert, energetic, and curious, yet reserved with unfamiliar people and situations. The body is well proportioned, with a level topline and a length slightly longer than height. The gait is smooth, agile, and well balanced. The wedge-shaped head, erect triangle shaped ears, well furred double coat, and loosely curled tail reflect its arctic heritage. The most distinctive characteristic of the Alaskan Klee Kai is the contrasting symmetrical facial mask and body markings.

This standard is the description of the ideal Alaskan Klee Kai. Any deviation from this description is considered a fault, the seriousness with which the fault is regarded should be in proportion to the extent of the deviation. Faults common to all breeds are as undesirable to the Alaskan Klee Kai as in any other breed, even though such faults may not be specifically mentioned in this standard.

#### Size, Proportion, Substance:

Size – Alaskan Klee Kai height is 12 to 17 inches at the withers.

Disqualifications- over 17 1/2 inches in height.

**Proportion** – In profile, the length of the body, from the point of the shoulder to the point of the buttocks, is slightly longer than the height of the body from the ground to the withers, making the dog slightly longer than tall.

Substance - Weight and bone are in proportion to the overall dog.

#### Head

Expression is alert, keen, and intelligent.

**Eyes** are of medium size and may be any color or combination of colors. Almond-shaped eyes are the most desirable, followed in order of preference by oval and then round. The eyes are moderately spaced, not set too wide or too close together. Dogs with coat colors in shades of black with white or gray with white have eye rims that are black; and dogs with coat colors in shades of red with white have eye rims that are liver/brown colored.

Serious Faults- Bulging eyes; Eyes set too deep.

Disqualifications- Partial or completely black eye rims on dogs with coat colors in shades of red with white. Ears are strongly erect and triangle in shape with slightly rounded tips. They are set high yet well apart and are

**Ears** are strongly erect and triangle in shape with slightly rounded tips. They are set high yet well apart and are slightly large in proportion to the size of the head. The leather is thick from base to tip and well furred. The ears are extremely mobile and reactive.

Disqualifications- Hanging or drop ears.

**Skull** is slightly rounded and somewhat broad, neither too flat nor too domed. It tapers gradually from the widest point to the eyes. The stop is moderate and slightly sloping. The head is in proportion to the size of the body, and it is neither too narrow nor too thick. The skull and muzzle taper toward the nose to form a broad -based wedge shape.

**Muzzle** tapers slightly from the stop to the nose, with a straight bridge, and is well filled in under the eyes. The lower jaw is strong but not protruding. The length of the muzzle from stop to nose is equal to, or slightly shorter than, the length of the skull from occiput to stop. Lips are tight. Dogs with coat colors in shades of black with white or gray with white have black lip color; and dogs with coat colors in shades of red with white, have liver/brown lip color.

Faults- Pinched or snipy muzzle.

Disqualifications- Partial or completely black lips on dogs with coat colors in shades of red with white.

**Nose** in profile, is on the same line as the top of the muzzle and extends just slightly beyond the lower jaw. Dogs with coat colors in shades of black with white or gray with white have a nose that is black; and dogs with coat colors in shades of red with white have a nose that is liver/brown colored. A streaked "snow nose" is less desirable, but acceptable.

Disqualifications- Partial or completely black nose on dog with coat colors in shades of red with white.

Bite- Strong white evenly aligned teeth close in a tight scissors bite.

Faults- level bite

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Disqualifications- Overshot or undershot bite; wry mouth.

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#### Neck, Topline and Body:

**Neck** is medium in length, arched and carried proudly erect when the dog is standing. When moving at a trot, the neck is extended so that the head is carried slightly forward.

**Body** is moderately muscled with a level **topline** from the withers to the croup.

**Chest** is muscular and moderately broad with a slightly pronounced prosternum clearly defined between the points of the shoulders. The lowest point of the chest does not extend below the elbows and is just behind the forelegs.

**Ribs** are well sprung, forming a strong back, then curving down and inward to form a body that would be nearly heart-shaped if viewed in cross-section.

Loin is strong and short, narrower than the rib cage, and has a slight tuck-up.

Croup is broad and very slightly sloping.

**Tail** is well furred and set on or just slightly below the level of the topline. The tail is carried in a loose, natural curl which falls to the center of the back or drapes down against either side when the dog is alert or moving. When the tail is curled, it does not stand away from the back or sides of the body. When the dog is relaxed, the tail may hang down.

Disqualifications- Kinked tail; Tail too short to naturally curl over and touch the back.

#### Forequarters:

Angulation- The forequarters are well angulated.

Shoulders are well laid back to allow for good reach and freedom of movement.

The **shoulder blade** and **upper arm** are approximately equal in length.

**Forelegs**, when viewed from the front, are straight, parallel, and moderately spaced with bone in proportion to the dog, appearing neither fragile nor heavy.

**Elbows** are set close to the body and turned neither in nor out. The length of the leg from the ground to the elbow is slightly longer than the length from the elbow to the withers.

Pasterns are flexible and strong, moderately short, and slightly angled.

Dewclaws removal is optional.

**Feet** are oval in shape, yet not long. The paws are sized in proportion to the bone of the individual dog and turn neither in nor out. The toes are well arched. The pads are thickly cushioned and furred between the toes and pads.

Faults- Splayed feet.

#### Hindquarters:

Angulation- The hindquarters are well angulated.

*Hind legs*, when viewed from the rear, are moderately spaced and parallel, turning neither in nor out. The bone is in proportion to the dog, appearing neither fragile nor heavy.

Upper thighs are moderately muscled.

Stifles are well bent.

Hock joints are well let down. Pasterns are straight.

Dewclaws removal is optional.

**Feet** are as described in forequarters.

Serious Faults- Over angulation; Under angulation of stifles or hocks.

#### Coat:

The Alaskan Klee Kai is double coated with the hair being medium length, giving a well-furred appearance reminiscent of the breed's Arctic heritage. The coat is never so long as to obscure the outline of the dog. The outer coat guard hairs are straight and somewhat smooth lying, never harsh nor extremely soft. The dense, soft undercoat is of sufficient length to support the outer coat. The absence of an undercoat should not be penalized during shedding season.

The neck is well-furred with hair which forms a protective ruff blending into the coat. The tail I s also well-furred with longer hair at the base and underside of the tail.

Serious faults- Coat that is so long as to obscure the outline of the body.

The Alaskan Klee Kai is shown in its natural state and the only trimming permissible is around the foot area to present a clean/neat appearance. Any trimming of the whiskers, or the fur on any other part of the dog, is to be severely penalized.

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#### Color:

The Alaskan Klee Kai has <u>symmetrical</u> and <u>distinctive</u> dark and white contrasting-colored markings. The three allowable coat colors are in shades of black, gray or red.

- White is required on all coat colors in the following areas: inside the ears, on the lower portion
  of the face and jaw, on the sides of the muzzle, on the cheeks, on the throat, on the chest, on
  the abdomen, on the legs, on the feet, around the vent and on the underside of the tail.
- The darker coat color extends down the sides of the body, shoulders, and hips. It may also
  extend partially down the outside of the forelegs and hindlegs, and/or reach down and around
  the upper chest in a symmetrical pattern
- The darker coat color extends down the top side of the tail. It is preferred that the tip of the tail
  is the same dark color or darker.

The **facial mask** is a distinctive trait of this breed and must be <a href="symmetrical">symmetrical</a> and clearly visible due to the contrasting colors. Different combinations of markings are possible on the mask, ranging from the full mask (described below) which is the most desirable, to the color going down the top/bridge of the muzzle having a symmetrical split, where a narrow white colored strip evenly divides the dark colored strip, which is less desirable, to the widow's peak which is the least desirable. The acceptable masks can have any combination of markings as long as they are <a href="symmetrical">symmetrical</a> and have the contrasting white color prominent in the areas listed above. Absence of the darker color forward of the ears is to be considered as having no mask at all.

The **full mask** is the most desired for the Alaskan Klee Kai. It includes the dark coloration on the head extending continuously down the top/bridge of the muzzle to the nose, and also under or around the eyes. The darker color below the eyes does not extend more than a quarter way down the cheek. The darker color down the top/bridge of the muzzle does not extend more than a quarter of the way off the sides of the muzzle. The color going down the top/bridge of the muzzle is solid. White colored markings above the eyes completes the most desired full mask.

Serious Faults- Darker color below the eyes extending more than halfway down the cheek; Darker color down the top/bridge of the muzzle extending more than halfway off the sides of the muzzle.

#### Disqualifications-

- Asymmetrical markings;
- Absence of distinct mask;
- Any solid coat color lacking distinct and contrasting markings;
- Absence of required white contrasting color as described in the color section;
- Distinct dark area, spots or speckles in the white areas, other than the tip of the tail, and the symmetrical markings on the facial mask, chest, and legs as described;
- Distinct white area or spots in the dark areas, other than the tip of the tail, and the symmetrical markings on the facial mask, chest, and legs as described.

#### Gait:

The characteristic gait of the Alaskan Klee Kai is seemingly effortless, smooth, agile, and well balanced, with neither crossing nor crabbing. It has good reach in the forequarters and good drive in the hindquarters with the top line remaining firm and level. Shown on a loose lead at a moderately fast trot, the dog will single track as their speed increases and their legs gradually angle inward until the pads are falling on a line directly under the longitudinal center of the body, single tracking. The forelegs and hind legs are carried straight forward, with neither the elbows nor stifles turning in or out.

#### Temperament:

The Alaskan Klee Kai is intelligent, alert, curious and talkative. T hey enjoy being physically and mentally challenged and have an energetic eagerness to participate in a broad array of activities. A perceptive yet mischievous nature, and an adaptability to most lifestyles, make them a loving and devoted companion. The Alaskan Klee Kai has a sensitive and reserved nature so positive reinforcement and proper socialization from an early age is important.

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Summary of Faults: This standard is the description of the ideal Alaskan Klee Kai. Any deviation from this description should be considered a fault, the seriousness with which the fault should be regarded should be in proportion to the extent of the deviation. Faults common to all breeds are as undesirable to the Alaskan Klee Kai as in any other breed, even though such faults may not be specifically mentioned in this standard.

#### Faults-

- Pinched or snipy muzzle;
- level bite:
- Splayed feet.

#### Serious Faults-

- Bulging eyes;
- Eyes set too deep;
- Over angulation;
- Under angulation of stifles or hocks;
- Coat that is so long as to obscure the outline of the body;
- Darker color below the eyes extending more than halfway down the cheek;
- Darker color down the top/bridge of the muzzle extending more than halfway
  off the sides of the muzzle.

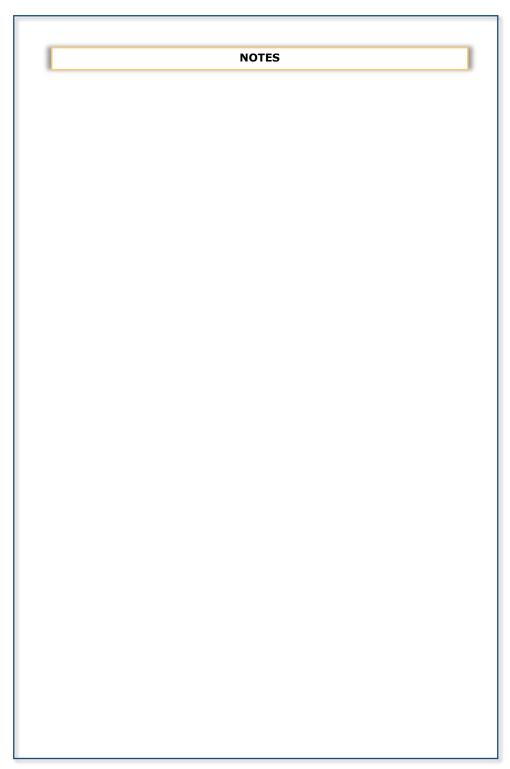
#### **Disqualifications**:

- Over 17 ½ inches in height;
- Partial or completely black eye rims, lips, or nose on dog with coat colors in shades of red with white;
- Hanging or drop ears;
- Overshot or undershot bite;
- Wry mouth;
- Kinked tail;
- Tail too short to naturally curl over and touch the back;
- Asymmetrical markings;
- Absence of distinct mask;
- any solid coat color lacking distinct and contrasting markings;
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  as described;
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The Alaskan Klee Kai Club of America was founded in 2002 as a volunteer, nonprofit organization to help guide and educate owners, breeders, exhibitors, enthusiasts, judges, and the general public about the breed, their history, and their future.

The purpose of AKKCOA is to encourage, promote, protect, and preserve the highest standards improving the pure-bred Alaskan Klee Kai to the breed developer's original vision of the best of the best for appearance, soundness, structure, temperament, and health.

The Alaskan Klee Kai (AKK) was accepted into the American Kennel Club's Foundation Stock Services (AKC FSS) in October of 2020. AKKCOA was approved as the AKC Alaskan Klee Kai National Parent Club in April 2022.

Thank you to the American Kennel Club Foundation Stock Service, Mari-Beth O'Neill and Christine Weisse for your help in working with us as we seek AKC recognition for our breed.

Thank you to the Silver Bay Kennel Club for your generosity in working with us and the American Kennel Club to add our AKC FSS Open Breed Specialty on February 24, 2024 to your AKC FSS Open and All Breed Shows on February 23-25, 2024; We appreciate your help so very much!

Thank you to all our Volunteers, Exhibitors, Donators, Committee Members, Breeders, Club Members, and families that continue to support the Alaskan Klee Kai Club of America, the Alaskan Klee Kai breed, and our journey to full AKC recognition.

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