



AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA®

DNA COMPLAINT RESOLUTION FORM

Whenever possible, please resolve problems yourself, without a formal complaint. Failing that, this form is to be used by anyone who believes that an ASCA registered Australian Shepherd has been registered with an incorrect sire or dam. Complete this form and submit it with the appropriate filing fee to bring this complaint before the ASCA Board of Directors under ASCA's Corrective Measures Rule, Part II: Involuntary (SEE REVERSE FOR COMPLETE RULES)

**COMPLETE THE FORM IN ITS ENTIRETY OR IT WILL BE RETURNED
USE ONLY ONE FORM PER DOG**

If the dog in question is found to be incorrectly registered, your filing fee will be returned and the Corrective Measures Rule Part II: Involuntary will be initiated

Date of Complaint		Complainant's ASCA Membership Number (if applicable)	
Owner of Dog in Question		Complaint Filed By	
Name		Name	
Address		Address	
City/State/Zip		City/State/Zip	
Phone		Phone	
Co-Owner(s) of dog in question (if any)			
Name		Name	
Address		Address	
City/State/Zip		City/State/Zip	
Phone		Phone	
Dog in Question			
ASCA Registered Name		ASCA Registration #	
Currently Registered Sire			
ASCA Registered Name		ASCA Registration #	
Currently Registered Dam			
ASCA Registered Name		ASCA Registration #	
State the reason and grounds for your complaint			
Signature		Fee	

ASCA DNA CORRECTIVE MEASURES RULE

Part II: Involuntary DNA Corrective Measures

(Discovery of incorrectly registered genetic relationships through involuntary investigative procedures.)

Rule: For any DNA investigation procedure initiated by any means other than ASCA's Voluntary DNA Program, the following will apply. Should it be determined as a result of an involuntary DNA investigative procedure that dogs have been incorrectly registered within the official ASCA Registry, the following criteria and associated actions will apply to the individual(s) responsible for the registry error.

- 1) If, as a result of one or more cumulative investigation processes, a single litter has been determined to have been registered incorrectly by a Breeder of Record, Stud Owner, and/or other responsible individual within a 5 year period, the following shall apply:
 - a) The Breeder of Record, Stud Owner, and/or other responsible individual will be required to DNA profile all current breeding stock (including progeny produced from breedings between dogs owned by themselves or resulting from breeding between their dogs and dogs owned by others) which are owned, co-owned, leased, or in any other way in the legal custody of said person and/or associated in any other way with breeding of such dogs. Profiling of dogs must be performed within 6 months of custodial care and/or production of stock, whether custodial care and/or production of progeny resulted from purchase or other means of custody, control or other means of influence, including but not limited to: collaboration, collusion, coercion, conspiracy, verbal agreement, and intent to falsify or defraud.
 - b) All costs incurred by any party to discover the correct relationships of such dog(s) will be paid for by the individual(s) responsible for such errors as determined through the investigative process. Failure to cover such costs will result in immediate revocation of all ASCA privileges until and unless such obligations are met.
- 2) If, as a result of one or more cumulative investigative processes, two litters have been determined to have been registered incorrectly by a Breeder of Record, Stud Owner, and/or other responsible individual within a 5 year period, the following shall apply:
 - a) The responsible individual(s) will be required to DNA profile all current AND future breeding stock for a period of 5 years (including progeny produced from breedings between dogs owned by themselves or resulting from breeding between their dogs and dogs owned by others) which are owned, co-owned, leased, or in any other way in the legal custody of said person and/or associated in any other way with breeding of such dogs. Profiling of dogs must be performed within 6 months of custodial care and/or production of stock, whether custodial care and/or production of progeny resulted from purchase or other means of custody, control or other means of influence, including but not limited to: collaboration, collusion, coercion, conspiracy, verbal agreement, and intent to falsify or defraud.
 - b) The individual(s) responsible for such registration errors will be subject to a \$250 fine and 3 months suspension from all ASCA privileges.
 - c) All costs incurred by any party to discover the correct relationships of such dog(s) will be paid for by the individual(s) responsible for such errors as determined through the investigative process. Failure to cover such costs will result in immediate revocation of all ASCA privileges until and unless such obligations are met.
- 3) If, as a result of one or more cumulative investigative processes, three or more litters have been determined to have been registered incorrectly by a Breeder of Record, Stud Owner, and/or other responsible individual within a 5 year period, the following shall apply:
 - a) The responsible individual(s) will be required to DNA profile all current AND future breeding stock for a period of 10 years (including progeny produced from breedings between dogs owned by themselves or resulting from breeding between their dogs and dogs owned by others) which are owned, co-owned, leased, or in any other way in the legal custody of said person and/or associated in any other way with breeding of such dogs. Profiling of dogs must be performed within 6 months of custodial care and/or production of stock, whether custodial care and/or production of progeny resulted from purchase or other means of custody, control or other means of influence, including but not limited to: collaboration, collusion, coercion, conspiracy, verbal agreement, and intent to falsify or defraud.
 - b) The individual(s) responsible for such registration errors will be subject to a \$500 fine and 6 months suspension from all ASCA privileges.
 - c) All costs incurred by any party to discover the correct relationships of such dog(s) will be paid for by the individual(s) responsible for such errors as determined through the investigative process. Failure to cover such costs will result in immediate revocation of all ASCA privileges until and unless such obligations are met.