

Northern California Irish Wolfhound Club  
THE CODE OF ETHICAL CONDUCT FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Code of Ethical Conduct (herein referred to as Code) is a guide for members of the NCIWC Board of Directors (henceforth the "Board") and candidates for office. It is not intended to be exhaustive nor to provide specific guidance covering every conceivable circumstance that a member of the Board may encounter in their official capacity as a Board member. It shall be each Board member's responsibility to adhere to these guidelines. Nor should the absence of direct guidance in this Code be seen as excusing a Board member from considering the appropriate action or inaction.

Each Board member shall abide by this Code, the NCIWC Bylaws, all other rules and regulations of the NCIWC including those pertaining to the protection of the Irish Wolfhound breed, California Mutual Benefit Non-Corporation law, and the Rules and Regulations of the AKC. The Board will conduct the affairs entrusted to it in good faith, with honesty, due diligence, and reasonable competence.

Each member of the Board shall uphold the confidentiality of the Board of Directors with particular reference to any discussions conducted in an executive or closed session.

The Board shall exercise proper authority and good judgment in its dealings with the membership, general public, and organizations, and will respond to the needs of all in a responsible, respectful, and professional manner.

At the end of their term of office, a retiring Board member shall surrender to their successor within thirty days, club properties entrusted to them during their term. Such return shall not excuse the retiring member from their continuing obligations of confidentiality regarding information acquired during their tenure on the Board.

As a member of the NCIWC Board of Directors, I shall :

- Listen carefully to my fellow Board members, and carefully consider and respect their opinions.
- Act with integrity, ensuring that personal interests are placed secondary to the best interests of the Club.
- Participate actively in Board meetings, discussions, and actions, and not discuss elsewhere what I am unwilling to discuss before the Board.
- Maintain regular contact with the committees to which I am assigned.
- In the spirit of recognizing the authority of the majority, support decisions of the Board even while respectfully advocating change regarding decisions with which I am not in complete agreement.
- Manage the club's resources effectively by responsible fiscal planning and due diligence.

Signature : \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Title : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_