

#### **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

The Golden Retriever Club of Columbus, Ohio, Inc. (GRCCO) was formed to:

- Help raise the standard of Golden Retriever breeding to a professional level through education;
- Encourage sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, field and obedience trials;
- Conduct sanctioned matches and specialty shows under the rules of the American Kennel Club (AKC) and the Golden Retriever Club of America (GRCA).

#### **ELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP**

#### **MEMBERSHIP TYPES:**

The club offers a Family or Single Membership that is renewed on a yearly basis.

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Membership in GRCCO is open to all persons 18 years of age and older who are in good standing with the American Kennel Club.

Persons do not need to be members of the AKC or have AKC registered Golden Retrievers to become a member of GRCCO.

Membership in the GRCA is encouraged, but not required.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

An applicant to GRCCO must attend three meetings to complete the application process.

Meeting 1 - The applicant may take this application pamphlet and fill it out at their leisure.

<u>Meeting 2</u> - The applicant must return the completed application to the membership chairperson. At that time, the membership chairperson and one GRCCO Board member will hold an informal interview with the applicant.

<u>Meeting 3</u> - During the "members only" portion of the meeting, the application will be discussed and voted on by the general membership in attendance.

#### DUES:

Dues are \$25 for a family membership or \$20 for a single. By the close of the applicant's 3rd meeting, the newly elected member must pay the dues for the appropriate membership type to the treasurer. All further annual dues will be payable on or before the 1st of January of each year. Dues are not prorated for partial years.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### **GRCCO CODE OF ETHICS**

Each member of GRCCO is bound to adhere to the Club's code of ethics, which defines:

- responsible Golden Retriever breeding practices;
- o Golden Retriever ownership responsibilities;
- good sportsmanship required at any dog show, tracking test, field or obedience trial.

#### ATTENDANCE:

Regular members are encouraged to attend all monthly general meetings. The trustees and officers of GRCCO shall be elected in November at the Annual Meeting. Each regular member is EXPECTED to attend and only regular members may hold an office and vote.

#### PARTICIPATION:

GRCCO sponsors many activities and public services in which ALL members are encouraged to participate:

- training classes for field and obedience;
- all breed clinics for eye, cardiology, tattoo, microchip, heartworm,
  Von Willebrand's disease and thyroid;
- breeder education and litter referrals;
- GRCA Working Certificate (WC) and Working Certificate
  Excellent (WCX) field tests;
- specialty shows;
- Members-Only match;
- o GRCCO newsletter;
- GRCCO library;
- o discount on GRCCO-taught training classes.

#### Send inquires to:

Megan McClung GRCCO Membership Coordinator Mkmcclun@gmail.com

- OR -

Check out GRCCO on the web at www.grcco.org

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Type of Membership:	Family: Single:	_
Name(s):		
Address:		
City,State,Zip:		
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
Email Address:		
Number of Goldens Owned:		
Dog's registered name, sex and call na	me:	
References (Veterinarian may be used)	::	
Name	Phone Number	Relationship
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### **Application Interview**

This section is	to be	completed	by the	membership	chairperson.

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0	Is the applicant a member of GRCA?			
0	List the applicant's previous experience with Golden Retrievers conformation, obedience, etc.).	(i.e., breeding, field,		
0	Why is the applicant interested in becoming a member of GRC0	00?		
I apply for membership to the Golden Retriever Club of Columbus, Ohio, Inc. I agree to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Club. I understand there are attendance requirements for regular members to participate in receiving awards offered by the Club for member's dogs, to which I will be bound.				
Signati	ure of Applicant(s)	Date		
		Date		
Membe	ership Chairman Signature	Date		
Board	Member's Signature	Date		