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## BASIC COURSE FOR BREEDERS

**Your Prefix Application will take approximately 12 weeks for approval.  
Apply for your Prefix in plenty of time before mating your bitch.**

**As of 30 June 2016 – Prefixes will only be issued to members who have had 6 months continuous membership with DogsNT or a recognized ANKC affiliate.**

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE BREEDER'S COURSE BOOK

1. The document is required to be completed with Microsoft Word.
2. The areas in which text are to be entered is automatically expanding to allow the capture of your text input.
3. Additional pages will be added automatically to allow for the entry.
4. Ensure your details are clearly marked on the course book and that all contact details are included.
5. Payment must be made prior to or at the same time of submission.
6. Incomplete sections will receive no score.
7. Passing score is 85%.
8. Questions requiring checked boxes will respond to a click and allow you to 'check/uncheck' the box.
9. Questions that require a 'YES/NO' response will show a drop down box allowing you to select 'YES' or 'NO'.
10. Question that require a 'TRUE/FALSE' response will show a drop down box allowing you to select 'TRUE' or 'FALSE'.
11. If you experience difficulty in completing the electronic form, you may use additional paper, clearly nominate the question and write your answer on the paper.
12. The completed work book and exam must be submitted together to DogsNT.

**Note:** When selecting between say a checkbox or a yes/no combo box and a text entry box, you may need to re-focus the mouse by clicking/double clicking some of the question text. Usually this will allow you to enter text in the document again.

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If a Prefix is to be in joint names BOTH parties must complete and submit a separate exam paper. Attach both exam papers to the one Prefix Application form.

<b>FULL NAME</b>	Click here to enter text
<b>SIGNATURE</b>	
<b>MEMBERSHIP NUMBER</b>	Click here to enter text
<b>BREED</b>	Click here to enter text
<b>ADDRESS</b>	Click here to enter text

The answer to most of the questions in the following Open Book Questionnaire can be found in the Breeders Education Booklet. Please ensure that you read **the entire Booklet** carefully and understand fully what you have read.

Please note Dogs NT Rules 7.2 KENNEL PREFIX

<i>Office Use Only</i>	
<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>	
<b>MARKED</b>	

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## WHY BREED?

1. What must be our first consideration in breeding?

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2. Should you attempt to breed from a dog of poor type in order to recoup financial outlay?

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3. What three major considerations would you be sure your dogs possessed in order to confidently breed a litter?

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*Answer the following question by placing an X in one box*

4. In breeding pure bred dogs do you:

- |  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| a) Want to breed quality dogs?                           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) Want to make profits?                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Want to let children see a litter born?               | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Want your bitch to have a litter before being spayed? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Want to share the joy your bitch has brought to you?  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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## HEALTH & CARE OF BREEDING STOCK

5. What special attention should the bitch receive up to and immediately prior to breeding?

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6. What is the main cause for lack of conception?

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*Answer the following questions by placing an X in one box*

7. Is it appropriate for the bitch to have her first litter

- a) On her first season?
- b) At maturity?
- c) Under 12 months?
- d) Over six years?

8. What is the gestation period (term of pregnancy) in dogs?

- a) Approximately 9 weeks?
- b) Approximately 90 days?
- c) Approximately 9 months?
- d) Between 30-35 days?

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## HEREDITARY DISEASES

9. Which heritable defects are known to most commonly affect your own breed?

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10. What steps should you take to ensure that you will not be the breeder of affected stock?

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11. What steps should you take if one of your own dogs or a dog bred by you develops a serious hereditary defect?

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## GENETICS

12. Complete the following:

a) BEGETS LIKE

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b) BEGETS QUALITY

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c) Which genes can appear in visible form in each second generation?

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d) Which factors suppress the expression of recessive factors?

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*Answer the following questions by placing an X in one box*

13. What proportion of the pups' genetic material is derived from their mother?

a) 50%

b) 75%

c) All

d) None

*Answer questions 14 – 16 YES or NO*

14. Should you breed a dog and a bitch with the same genetic faults?

YES

NO

15. If any close ancestors of your dog or bitch have died young or from some serious inherited defect, should you breed from them?

YES

NO

16. Should you inform prospective puppy purchasers about hereditary problems in your breed?

YES

NO

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## THE BROOD BITCH

17. Which four major features must be present in a breeding bitch of stud ability?

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18. Why does the brood bitch have more influence on her puppies than the sire?

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## CONCEPTION, PREGNANCY & WHELPING

*Answer the following question by placing an X in one (1) box*

23. Is the first day of your bitch's season when?
- a) You notice your male taking more notice than usual
  - b) First show of colour
  - c) When the Vulva swells

24. Should you exercise your bitch in the latter stages of pregnancy?

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*Answer questions 25 - 28 YES or NO*

25. Should you breed an obese or unfit bitch?

YES   
NO

26. Should the bitch be bred on consecutive seasons

YES   
NO

27. Should you breed with an orphaned or hand reared pup if you do not know the background circumstances?

YES   
NO

28. Should you breed a dog or bitch with an aggressive temperament?

YES   
NO



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*Answer the following question by placing an X in one box*

33. How long should you allow your bitch to labour over the birth of a puppy before calling the Vet?

- a) One hour
- b) Three Hours
- c) Five Hours
- d) Twenty Four Hours

34. Should bitches be allowed to eat placentas?

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35. Within what time after whelping are colostrums available to the puppies from the bitch?

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## WEANING, SELECTION AND SALE OF PUPPIES

36. At what age should weaning commence?

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37. When should worming take place?

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*Answer the following question by placing an X in one box*

38. At what age should puppies first be vaccinated?

- a) Five weeks
- b) Six weeks
- c) Eight weeks
- d) Twelve weeks

39. At what age do puppies teeth begin to occur?

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40. At what age can your puppy leave home?

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41. What are some of the things you can do to socialize puppies before they leave home?

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42. What important things should you ascertain from the buyers of your pups?

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43. What information and paperwork should you provide to the purchaser of one of your pups.

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44. Would you offer a submissive puppy to a family with boisterous children?

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