

DOGS Victoria



THE DOGS VICTORIA REGISTERS

Registration with DOGS Victoria is different to Council registration, which is required by law. Please ensure you register your new dog with the Council in which you reside.

Any dog can be registered with DOGS Victoria.

The differences between the Purebred Register and the Associate Register is that to be on the Purebred Register your dog has to be of known, recognised and registered parentage of the same breed.

A pedigreed purebred dog can be listed on either the Main Register (blue certificate) or Limited Register (orange certificate)

A dog on the Main Register (blue certificate) has full rights. The dogs on this register can be shown in conformation shows in order to gain titles and may be bred from to other Main Register dogs of the same breed and have their progeny registered as purebreds.

The Limited Register (orange certificate) indicates that dog is pedigreed but cannot be shown at conformation shows nor can the dog be bred with and have the progeny registered as pedigreed puppies.

To be on the Associate Register a dog does not need to have known parentage. Dogs on any of these Registers are eligible to compete in Obedience, Agility and many other trials and dog sports. Dogs must be desexed to be included on the Associate Register.

Certificate of Registration
and Pedigree



Certificate of Registration and Pedigree
Limited Register



WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Now that you've purchased a pedigreed puppy, you will notice it has quite a big name for such a cute little furball.



All pedigreed dogs are named as Prefix Dogname. For example, let's use the name "Rantino Adevl N Disguise". Rantino is the prefix, similar to a thoroughbred's stud name or a person's surname. All dogs bred by that particular kennel will have that name first. In order to be granted a prefix, a breeder must pass a test to show their knowledge, agree to adhere to a strict code of ethics and perform health tests on all breeding stock, depending on the breed of dog.

The second part of the name, Adevl N Disguise is the name of the dog. This can be any name the breeder chooses within a certain amount of characters. All dogs with the same prefix must have different names and a dog's name cannot contain someone else's prefix.

You are certainly not bound to this name and can call your dog anything you like as its call name. Some people choose this based on the registered name and others don't. The dog in the above example might be called Devil or it might be known as Jemma (or any name) simply because the owner likes that name and chooses it for the dog.

Non-pedigreed dogs are registered on the Associate Register using the name the owner has chosen for it. An associate dog can be registered as Fido, or Jack or Queenie and there is no prefix. No two associate dogs can have the same name, so even these dogs may have a registered name different to its call name.

TITLES

Only dogs on the main register can earn champion titles in the show ring, but dogs on any register can earn titles in other sports.

For example Ch Prefix Dogname UDX CDX JDX ET has earned a "Utility Excellence" title in Obedience (UDX), but on his way there he would have earned a CD, CDX and UD. As a higher title is earned in each discipline, it replaces the lower title as the dog must earn the titles in a particular order. The other titles are for Agility, Jumping, and Endurance.

The Ch refers to championship points earned in the show ring, so not only is this dog versatile and skilled, but he is a great example of his breed as well.

If the dog in the previous example was not a pedigreed dog, he couldn't have earned the Ch title, but if he were an associate he could still have been "Dogname UDX ADX JDX ET."

Once you become a member of DOGS Victoria and have your puppy transferred onto your membership, your dog can begin earning titles, too!

For more information please contact DOGS Victoria on 9788 2500 or visit our website at www.dogsvictoria.org.au

