

4. Procedure

- 4.1. Each Member is responsible for the content of all text, audio or images that they place send over the Internet.
- 4.2. Fraudulent, harassing or obscene messages are prohibited.
- 4.3. All messages communicated on the Internet should have your name attached.
- 4.4. No messages will be transmitted under an assumed name.
- 4.5. Users may not attempt to obscure the origin of any message.
- 4.6. Information published on the Internet should not violate or infringe upon the rights of others.
- 4.7. No abusive, profane or offensive language is transmitted through the system.
- 4.8. Members who wish to express personal opinions on the Internet are encouraged to obtain their own usernames on the other Internet systems.
- 4.9. Failure to observe copyright (i.e., Judges Education PowerPoint Presentation, Illustrated Standard, etc.) or license agreements may result in disciplinary action from the BRTCA or legal action by the copyright owner.
- 4.10. Harassment of any kind is prohibited.
- 4.11. No messages with derogatory or inflammatory remarks about an individual or group's race, religion, national origin, physical attributes, or sexual preferences will be transmitted.
- 4.12. Violations of any guidelines above may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination of Membership.
- 4.13. If necessary, the BRTCA will advise appropriate legal officials of any illegal violations or activities.
- 4.14. As a Member of the BRTCA all Members understand that:
 - 4.14.1. As a result of the global nature of Internet postings, my postings represent the Black Russian Terrier Breed and in some cases the Members of the BRTCA as well as the breed fanciers throughout the world and that all my communications must be of the highest standards and practices.
 - 4.14.2. By default I am an "Ambassador" for the Black Russian Terrier each and every time I post comments about our breed or BRT fanciers and canines in general.
 - 4.14.3. As a part of my BRTCA Membership, all Members agree to the following:
 - 4.14.3.1. Official BRTCA discussion sites or social media, in whatever form they take (i.e, Facebook pages for Nationals, etc.), are a key part of our Black Russian Terrier Internet Community and are here to encourage discussion, learning, and to promote the Black Russian Terrier Breed.
 - 4.14.3.2. I understand this is not a place to discuss politics, people, or practice free speech of any kind that can be damaging, hurtful, or inappropriate to others.
 - 4.14.3.3. I understand that a healthy exchange of opinions and disagreements is okay.
 - 4.14.3.4. If I disagree with a Member's post or opinion I may indeed challenge the opinion, however, any challenge will be given with a sense of respect.

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