

Clumber Spaniel Rescue

Under the auspices of the Clumber Spaniel Club

Procedures

1. The Clumber Spaniel Club shall organise a breed rescue scheme for Clumber Spaniels which have not got a home and cannot be taken back by the breeder. This will be known as 'Clumber Spaniel Rescue'.
A Co-ordinator shall be elected by the members, at the AGM of the Clumber Spaniel Club with the responsibility for organising the volunteers who help with the work of Clumber Spaniel Rescue and for keeping records of the dogs helped and monies expended.
Medical expenses and boarding fees for rescued Clumber Spaniels and reasonable expenses incurred in collection and delivery will be paid from the Rescue fund while the dog is in the care of Clumber Spaniel Rescue.
2. The Co-ordinator will produce guidelines for vetting homes and assessing dogs so that all helpers follow a standard method to be approved by the committee of the Clumber Spaniel Club.
3. Clumber Spaniels may be accepted from any source and the Co-ordinator will try to find new homes for all dogs assessed as suitable for re-homing. Such homes should always be in the UK.
4. Anyone who knows of a potential owner for a rescued Clumber should direct such persons to the Co-ordinator.
5. Clumber Spaniel Rescue may not buy or sell Clumber Spaniels but is empowered to pay release fees or boarding fees.
Donations may be accepted from new owners but are not to be demanded as a condition of the re-homing.
6. Accounts of all monies pertaining to Clumber Spaniel Rescue are to be maintained by the Co-ordinator and passed to the Treasurer of the Clumber Spaniel Club for auditing and inclusion with the clubs annual accounts.
7. The Co-ordinator may attend the committee meetings of the Clumber Spaniel Club to report on the work of Clumber Spaniel Rescue.
8. The Clumber Spaniel Club will provide Public Liability insurance and Personal Accident insurance for any member while helping with the work of Clumber Spaniel Rescue.
9. Dogs to be rescued, and their situation, should be assessed, where possible, by a home visit.
It may be possible for a dog to stay with its current owner until a new home can be found after assessment.
10. If a dog is believed to have behavioural problems then it is recommended that two experienced people should assess the dog.
11. If in the opinion of the assessor the dog is unsuitable for re-homing then, in the first instance, it should be suggested that the owner has the dog put to sleep but if that proves impossible then the assessor should accept the dog on behalf of Clumber Spaniel Rescue for euthanasia.
12. If a dog is to be euthanized then the Co-ordinator must be informed.
13. A rescued dog may be placed in kennels while awaiting a new home and Clumber Spaniel Rescue will pay the fees.
The Co-ordinator must be kept informed.

14. Any reasonable claims for expenses by the volunteers of Clumber Spaniel Rescue, while carrying out its work, will be paid by Clumber Spaniel Rescue.
15. New homes must be checked for suitability by an appointed person and under no circumstances should the old owner be told the location of the new home.
16. When a dog is collected, the current owner will, where possible, be asked to complete a Rescue Declaration form.
When it goes to a new owner, they should complete a Transfer form and after a trial period, they should complete an Acceptance form.
17. Registration papers will be retained by the Clumber Spaniel Club save in exceptional circumstances and then only with the approval of the committee of the Clumber Spaniel Club.
18. Owners putting their dog into rescue should be encouraged and advised to contact the dog's breeder in the first instance.
If this is not possible then Clumber Spaniel Rescue should contact the breeder if known except where the owner has explicitly asked that this should not be done.
19. Clumber Spaniel Rescue is allowed to seek funding from any sources including donations from the old and new owners, members of the Clumber Spaniel Club and the public at large.
20. The phone number of the Co-ordinator should be available for publishing in any suitable place including the Clumber Spaniel Club's web site.
21. The Co-ordinator will report to the Clumber Spaniel Club's committee meetings regarding dogs waiting to be re-homed, those that have been re-homed and the current expenses.
Records should be retained for seven years before destruction.
22. Any disputes involving Clumber Spaniel Rescue should immediately be notified to the Secretary of the Clumber Spaniel Club to be dealt with by the committee.