The Jack Russell Terrier Club of America recognizes as Affiliates local Clubs formed for the purpose of organizing terrier activities and providing breed education for Jack Russell owners on a local level in a specified geographical area, who share the JRTCA’s goals and objectives for the breed. This Agreement outlines the requirements for JRTCA Affiliation.

The organization named below (hereafter called the Affiliate):

which covers the following geographic area:

The Affiliate hereby agrees:

1. To be solely affiliated with the Jack Russell Terrier Club of America (JRTCA), adopt the JRTCA Constitution and uphold its goals, purposes and policies accordingly.

2. To establish its operational guidelines in accordance with the JRTCA’s goals and objectives as stated in the Constitution, and that all officers and/or Board Members of the Affiliate will be current members of the JRTCA. (List of current officers/board members to be submitted with agreement along with a current list of members. A minimum of 25 members is required.)

3. To solely recognize and fully support the JRTCA breed standard, to recognize the JRTCA Registry as the sole registry of Jack Russells in the U.S., and that the Affiliate will not start or maintain any type of Jack Russell Terrier registry.

4. To appoint a delegate, who is a current JRTCA member, to act as liaison with the JRTCA.

5. To encourage all Affiliate members to hold individual memberships in the JRTCA, and to encourage the registration or recording of JRTs in the Jack Russell Terrier Club of America’s Registry/Recording system.

6. That the Affiliate will not name any trial, show, or event as sanctioned unless that trial, show or event is sanctioned by the JRTCA according to the guidelines issued by the JRTCA Trial Committee.
7. That the Affiliate will not sanction or otherwise approve or name any of its members as judges, either sanctioned or unsanctioned, for the purpose of Conformation, Working, or Go-to-Ground. It is recognized and agreed that only the JRTCA will sanction and maintain Go-to-Ground, Working and Conformation Judges.

8. That the Affiliate will use only JRTCA approved Conformation Judges for all competitions; unsanctioned competitions must use JRTCA sanctioned Conformation Judges or any person who is approved as an Applicant in the JRTCA Conformation Judging program.

9. That the Affiliate will not issue Working or Trial Certificates to its members, or to members of the JRTCA, and recognizes only Working/Trial Certificates issued by the JRTCA.

10. To uphold the JRTCA’s policy on kennel club recognition/registration of the Jack Russell Terrier (or any variant thereof). Events sanctioned by or affiliated with conflicting organizations, or events that include or promote kennel club registered terriers will not be included in Affiliate newsletters or other publications, and representatives of conflicting organizations or all-breed kennel clubs will not be used for Seminars or any other Affiliate purpose. The Affiliate will not knowingly permit advertising by members of conflicting organizations or those who register their terriers with conflicting organizations or all-breed registries.

11. To submit a copy of every Affiliate Newsletter to the JRTCA Affiliate contact and the Editor of True Grit, from which articles/information may be reprinted in True Grit. Each newsletter cover must state that this club is an affiliate of the JRTCA.

12. To be signatory to the Affiliation Agreement annually, and to an annual affiliation fee of $25.00.

13. To include in its membership application the disclaimer used by the JRTCA: Persons applying for membership (or renewing a current membership) must not be a member of a conflicting JRT organization as defined by the JRTCA, and must not register their JRTs (or any variant thereof) with any all-breed registry/kennel club.

14. To hold an annual (or biennial) election of officers, electing a minimum of three officers, which includes a democratic nominating process and voting open to the entire membership. Officers must be current members in good standing of the JRTCA.

15. To publish the JRTCA membership application form in each issue of its newsletter.

16. To hold a minimum of two local activities per year and host the JRTCA seminar at some point during their first two years.

17. Submit any changes to your Affiliate Bylaws with this agreement.

The Jack Russell Terrier Club of America agrees to:

1. Include Affiliate’s name, with address and phone number of contact, in a listing in every issue of True Grit and on the JRTCA web site.

2. Include a summary of activities, with the exception of unsanctioned trials, in each issue of True Grit as desired by the Affiliate, up to one-quarter page.

3. To provide JRTCA membership mailing labels for surrounding states for use at Affiliate events at the club’s cost to print and mail.

4. To provide educational brochures, registration forms, or any other Club literature as needed. Large quantities of any educational Club literature will be provided at no cost to the Affiliate.

5. To permit the reprinting of any articles or information published in True Grit in the Affiliate newsletter.

6. To provide one general JRTCA seminar for new Affiliates, designed to educate Affiliate members on Club policy and procedures for registration, trials, working certificates, etc., and on conformation and working aspects of the breed. This educational seminar is offered to all
Affiliates on a one-time only basis, and is planned, funded, and implemented by the JRTCA Board of Directors. A request for this seminar, with a preferred date selected, should be submitted to the JRTCA Affiliate contact a minimum of 90 days in advance of the date requested. It is recommended that this Seminar be held in conjunction with a Fun Day or other local gathering, not in conjunction with a sanctioned trial.

7. To provide advice and guidance in any area regarding the Jack Russell Terrier and Affiliate activities as requested; requests to be made through the JRTCA Affiliate contact.

8. To use reasonable efforts to respond to the Affiliate’s request for assistance, providing the request is to be in the best interest of the Jack Russell Terrier.

Contact Name: __________________________________________

Contact Address: __________________________________________

Contact Telephone: _________________________________________

Contact Email: _____________________________________________

I have thoroughly reviewed the above Agreement, and hereby agree to the requirements set forth therein. I understand that this Agreement will be strictly enforced, and that violation of the Affiliate Agreement may result in disciplinary action or disqualification. This Affiliation Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the rights of the parties shall be governed by, the laws of the State of Maryland, exclusive of its conflict of law rules. All parties to this Affiliation Agreement hereby agree to be subject to the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court for Baltimore County in the State of Maryland and/or the United States Federal District Court located in Baltimore for the State of Maryland.

Contact’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: ________________

Sign and return this Agreement with payment to the JRTCA Club Office by January 1, 2019
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