

Applying for Membership

Whether you are a first time borzoi owner who has been encouraged by your pup's breeder to join BCOA or a longtime lover of Borzoi who has decided it's time to join with others who share that love, there are a few things to consider before completing the application.

Before you even looking at the application,

1. Read carefully
 - a. Code of Ethics <http://borzoiclubofamerica.org/pdfs/BCOA-CodeofEthics.pdf>
 - b. Guidelines for Breeders of Borzoi <http://borzoiclubofamerica.org/pdfs/breederguidelines.pdf>
2. Your signature on the application signifies acceptance of the Code and Guidelines in their entirety.
3. Any documented violation of the Code or Guidelines shall be dealt with as provided for in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Borzoi Club of America, Inc.
4. Members of the Club accepts the responsibility to protect the interests of the breed by conducting themselves in a manner designed to reflect credit upon them as an individual, the Borzoi breed, and on the Borzoi Club of America, Inc.
5. After your application, dues check, & two sponsor forms have been received,
 - a. Your application will be read at the next BCOA board meeting.
 - b. Your name will be published in the Board meeting minutes.
 - c. If no letters are received protesting your application, you will be approved as a member at the following Board meeting.
 - d. The BCOA Recording Secretary will notify you when you are approved.
6. Your privileges as a member, including counting the wins of your dogs for top awards, start on the date you are approved as a member. The application process may take 4-6 months. The process is expedited when all materials are received by the recording secretary in a timely manner.

The Process

1. Applicants need two current BCOA members (who do not reside in the same household) to fill out a Sponsor Form.
2. A BCOA member must have visited the applicant's home within the past two years. Sponsors & home visits are not required for foreign applicants.
3. If you wish to join BCOA and have trouble locating somebody to do the home visit, contact any board member to request help.
3. Complete the fillable pdf
 - a. Download it to your computer and email to the Recording Secretary, recsec@borzoiclubofamerica.org and use the BCOA Store <http://borzoiclubofamerica.org/cart-dues.php> to pay your first year's dues + \$5 fee.

OR

- b. Send the completed application with your check, payable to BCOA, to:
Joy Windle, 2255 Strasburg Road, East Fallowfield PA 19320-4437 (610) 380-0850
\$40 (Single membership) or \$45 (Household membership) or \$45 Foreign membership (outside North America).