10/2022:  AKC Open Registration for Chinooks Continues!​

**Procedures for AKC Registration of Chinooks**  
Open Registration Explained

October 2022:  Chinook Club of America Board of Directors petitioned the American Kennel Club (AKC) to extend the open registration program for Chinooks for two more years.

The Board found that more time is needed to contract Chinook owners and breeders and notify them of this program and encourage participation.  CCA hopes to include all purebred Chinooks in AKC’s Chinook Registry which will offer breeders the largest choices in their breeding selections, helping to improve the breed’s health and diversity.

Board member and Registrar [Shelly Londer](mailto:chinookclubofamerica.director@gmail.com)has volunteered to run the extended program and will help with the registration process. The following information explains how to register your Chinook with AKC.  
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Please Note: AKC will be accepting UKC registrations for AKC registration purposes until Jan 1, 2025.   CCA is covering the registration fees for these Chinooks.  For free registrations,  send your paperwork to Shelly who will submit the forms to AKC.  If you mail your paperwork to AKC instead of to Shelly, you’ll need to also include payment.  
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**What is Open Registration?**

​Open Registration is an AKC program that allows ALL United Kennel Club (UKC) registered Chinooks inclusion in the AKC’s Chinook registration database. This program ends January 2025 so the clock is ticking!

There are still many Chinooks that are not registered with AKC. CCA hopes that members and owners will reach out to breeders and littermates to generate interest in AKC registration. Chinooks have a small population and every Chinook is important to be included in the AKC database. In order to help to preserve our breed, we need as many Chinooks registered as possible!

If your Chinook has a pedigree issued from the United Kennel Club (UKC) but has no AKC registration, the [Open Registration Program](https://www.akc.org/register/information/open-registration/) is for you, and CCA will pick up the tab!

**How to Register your Chinook?**

1.  Fill out the AKC’s [Open Registration Application](http://images.akc.org/pdf/ADOPEN.pdf).  
   
2.  Provide an 8.5” x 11” copy of your Chinook’s UKC Registration certificate, front and back.  
   
3.  Include two color images of your dog standing: one front view and one side view and include your dog's name and UKC registration number on the back of each image.  
   
4.  Send the packet to [Shelly Londer](mailto:chinookclubofamerica.director@gmail.com), CCA Registrar, for processing, submission, and CCA’s payment.  (No money needed as CCA will pay for each Chinook registered through the Open Dog Program.)  
   
You can contact Shelly with your questions and comments. Shelly is happy to assist you!

**Registration tips for offspring of AKC registered parents**

If your Chinook is not AKC registered, but your dog’s parents are AKC registered, or your dog’s litter has been AKC registered, you can register your Chinook directly with AKC.  (Shelly can help you with this.)  You can easily register your Chinook online:  [Register Your Dog With the American Kennel Club Today (akc.org)](https://www.akc.org/register/dog/)

**Errors in Paperwork**

When papers arrive, please check your papers carefully - make sure dates and spelling are correct. If not, contact AKC Registration and they will issue a corrected registration.​

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