## *The Chihuahua Club of Michigan Code of Ethics*

1. I agree to follow the rules and regulations as set forth by the American Kennel Club as they pertain to my purebred dog operations.

2. I will furnish a signed registration application or transfer with each puppy sold within a time period of two weeks when possible unless a written agreement is made with the purchaser at the time of sale that the papers will be withheld.

*3. I* will not sell my puppies to pet shops or commercial pet mill establishments, nor will I donate puppies for raffles or auctions.

4. I will not crossbreed or advertise for sale puppies that have been crossbred.

5. I will not give stud service to unregistered bitches.

6. I will advise the purchaser of my puppy to have the puppy checked within 2 days (48 hours) of the sale. (Additional time will be allowed if the puppy is sold on Friday or Saturday.) I will refund the purchase price or take the puppy back and replace it, if it is found to be unfit.

7. Except for unusual situations, I will not sell my puppies at less than eight (8) weeks of age.

8. I will maintain the best possible standard of health and care in all of my dogs and see that puppies are immunized and checked for parasites.

9. In my breeding program I will keep alert for and work to control and/or eradicate inherited problems and conditions that are particular to Chihuahuas, and breed as closely as possible to the Standard of the Breed.

10. I will represent my dogs a s honestly as possible to prospective buyers and try to assist the serious novice in his/her understanding of the Chihuahua.

11. I will try at all times to show good sportsmanship and keep in mind that the good of the Breed comes before any personal benefits.