

## Government Relations

The AKC Government Relations department monitors and provides input for federal, state and local legislation governing responsible dog ownership. Sign up for legislative alerts about dog laws that may affect you at the "Legislative Alerts" section of [akc.org](http://akc.org).

## DNA Profiling

The AKC has built the world's largest database of canine DNA profiles for the purposes of parentage verification and genetic identity. AKC uses DNA certification to ensure reliable registration records vital to the preservation and advancement of purebred dogs.

## AKC Museum of the Dog

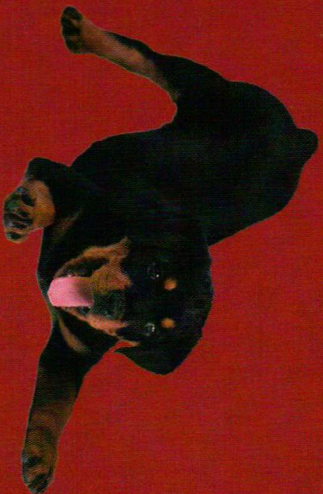
The AKC Museum of the Dog, in St. Louis, MO, maintains one of the world's largest collections of dog-related fine art and artifacts. Founded and supported by the AKC, the museum is open year-round to the public and offers many educational programs and special exhibitions.

## And much more!

To learn more about how easy it is to register and the many programs and services offered by the AKC, visit [akc.org](http://akc.org) or call (919) 233-9767.

## Reuniting Lost Pets with Owners

AKC Companion Animal Recovery (AKC CAR), an affiliate of the American Kennel Club®, is the largest non-profit pet recovery service provider in North America. Established in 1995 as a public service to help pet owners reunite with their lost animals via identification and live operators, AKC CAR provides recovery services 24-hours-a-day, 365-days-a-year. An owner's name, address, and telephone number are linked to the pet's unique identification number, whether it is a microchip, tattoo, or AKC CAR-issued collar tag. In 2007, AKC CAR introduced the AKC CAR ID System™, which consists of microchips, scanners and prepaid enrollments. Coupled with its pet recovery service, AKC CAR offers a complete recovery solution. For more information visit [akccar.org](http://akccar.org), call 1-800-252-7894 or email [found@akccar.org](mailto:found@akccar.org).



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## MISSION STATEMENT

The American Kennel Club is dedicated to upholding the integrity of its Registry, promoting the sport of purebred dogs and breeding for type and function.

Founded in 1884, the AKC and its affiliated organizations advocate for the purebred dog as a family companion, advance canine health and well-being, work to protect the rights of all dog owners and promote responsible dog ownership.

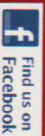


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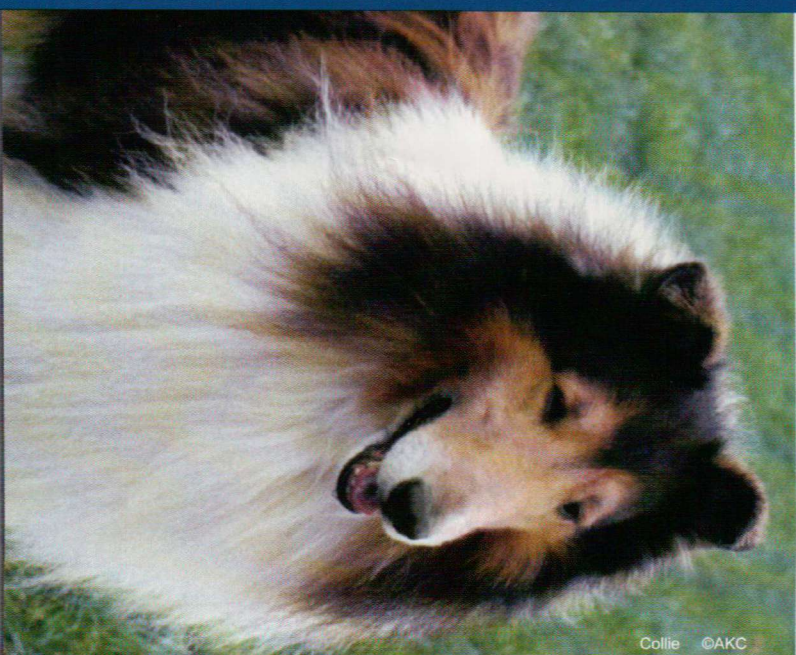
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