

# How to recognize a good breeder?

Summary of the Code of Practice issued by The Academy of Veterinary Medicine of Quebec for breeders (June 2009)

## A GOOD BREEDER IS:



- 🐾 A person who wishes to improve the breed and bloodlines. Adults are mainly pets.
- 🐾 A person who is identified by the quality of its animals, its cattery is well kept and will be happy to show parents of a litter.
- 🐾 A person who has cats and kittens clean, healthy and sociable.
- 🐾 A person who provides proof of vaccinations and health record dated and signed by an authorized veterinarian.
- 🐾 A person who will keep the kittens until 12 weeks of age MINIMUM so that the socialization period is optimal.
- 🐾 A person who does not provide the kittens to petshops.
- 🐾 A person who will provide a written health guarantee, will have a contract or written agreement with the new owner.
- 🐾 a person who has cats with pedigree and will register its progenitors and show cats and all litters to the **Chats Canada Cats (CCC)** or another recognized association.

Note that a purebred cat **MUST** have a certificate of registration and pedigree. In the absence of being registered, the kitten can not be named a purebred cat. Some unrecognized associations issue invalid registration certificates, be careful.



- 🐾 A person who does not sell animals to people looking to make an impulse purchase. Rather, spend time with the customer to ensure that the chosen breed matches consumer expectations.
- 🐾 A person that will sterilize all kittens sold without exception to counter overcrowding and improper breeding.

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