



## PEDIGREE PAPERS

# What's the difference?



A pedigree is essentially a birth certificate for your dog, showing the 3 generation family tree which proves that your dog is in fact a purebred.

**The Australian National Canine Council (ANKC) is the only internationally recognised registry able to issue certified pedigrees for purebred dogs.**

**All ANKC breeders must abide the Code of Ethics outlined on the ANKC website.**

The ANKC issues two types of registration papers, (pictured above) and each puppy bought from an ANKC breeder will come with its own pedigree, either Main or Limited Registration. If a breeder has issued **Main Register** (blue) papers for your dog, it can be exhibited at a Conformation Show, used for breeding purposes or exported overseas.

If the breeder has issued **Limited Register** papers (orange) it cannot be exhibited at a Conformation Show, used for breeding purposes or exported overseas.

ANKC Certified pedigrees are also recognised pedigrees with the State Government and local councils.

All other registries, such as the MDBA, ABR, Australian Canine Registry, ICBS, etc are NOT affiliated with the ANKC and CANNOT issue Certified Pedigrees.

**If you have doubts about whether a breeder is registered, please contact your ANKC State Office to confirm:**

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Dogs VIC [www.dogsvictoria.org.au](http://www.dogsvictoria.org.au) (03) 9788 2500  
DOGS NSW [www.dogsnsw.org.au](http://www.dogsnsw.org.au) (02) 9834 3022  
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