

# **NOTICE TO INTERGROOM 2010 ATTENDEES & COMPETITORS**

## ***Please read these rules carefully***

The dogs entered in our competitions and involved in the programs are essential to the success of our show. Since special arrangements have been made with the Holiday Inn to accommodate these dogs, we ask dog owners and handlers to observe the following rules:

1. Only dogs and cats entered in the various competitions or scheduled for demonstrations or seminars will be permitted at the hotel. No pets should accompany other attendees.
2. The hotel will permit only **one dog** per room - with a non-refundable security deposit of \$100. You may, however, bring additional dogs for the competitions. We will house them in a special supervised holding area at no additional cost to you. These dogs will not be left unattended; there will be security staff on duty at all times. This area will be available from 12:00 pm on Thursday, April 15th, until 5:00 pm on Sunday, April 18th. Please check in at the Expo Center.
3. Advance reservations are required noting that dogs will need to be accommodated. When you complete the room reservation form enclosed in this catalog, be sure to indicate that you will be bringing dogs. To minimize complaints about barking, the hotel plans to house all guests with dogs on the same floors if possible. Dogs not properly acknowledged upon check-in will receive a harsh penalty from the Hotel.
4. Your dog must be kenneled at all times when alone in sleeping rooms. Please bring sufficient crates to house your dogs.
5. Dogs must be leashed or kenneled when they are not being groomed in the contest ring or in the seminars. They also must be leashed and well supervised at all times when in public areas of the hotel.
6. The special "walking" and lavatory area for all dogs is located at the Holiday Inn (across the street from the Exposition Center) and at the Exposition Center. The areas will be clearly marked and no other area should be used for this purpose. Come prepared to pick-up after your dog(s).
7. **Absolutely NO bathing, blow-drying or pre-grooming of dogs is allowed in any of the sleeping rooms. Penalties will be severe.**

We have made special arrangements with BEST IN SHOW for the use of their specially designed grooming facility. This has proved far superior to any other accommodations we have tried before. Again this year, we will have a SIGN-UP SHEET for you to schedule your bathing appointment time. Please register on arrival to ensure a timely spot for preparation.

Contestants who sign an entry form to any of the competitions scheduled at INTERGROOM 2010 agree to abide by the rules of good conduct that govern grooming contests and purebred dog shows. You have also agreed to "hold harmless" the owner or lessor of the premises and you assume all the responsibility of any acts of your dog(s). The Holiday Inn has put the following rules into effect to minimize future problems:

If you or your dog damage, destroy or steal hotel property, you are responsible to make restitution to the satisfaction of the hotel. Behavior which could result in such action may be, but not limited to: stealing or damaging towels or linens; improper clean-up after the dog; actual blow drying, clipping or scissoring in the sleeping room (which is not allowed and subject to charges); causing destruction to room furniture (beds, dressers, drapes, etc.); and/or failure to pay room charges.

**Violations will be dealt with firmly;  
these are serious problems.**