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650	<p>Rescue Fund <i>Board: 08/15/1992 – Memo: 12/1992 – Effective: 05/15/1992</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish a fund in the amount of \$500 for the purpose of aiding the local clubs who wish to establish a rescue service. 2. Such advances are expected to be repaid to ISCA by the local clubs.
651	<p>Guidelines for Being Considered an ISCA Rescue Volunteer <i>Board: 05/30/2016 – Effective: 05/30/2016</i></p> <p>To be an ISCA Rescue Volunteer and be listed in the Memo and on the ISCA website as a rescue contact, the person must meet/follow these criteria and policies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Must be a member of ISCA, accept and abide by all AKC and ISCA policies and regulations and must sign the Rescue Code of Ethics. b. Agree to obey local laws and ordinances. Be respectful of privacy / confidentially when researching potential adopters. c. Use signed releases / contracts for all phases of the rescue / rehoming process (rescue release form at the time of intake, adoption contract at time of placement) d. Incorporate the following medical protocol for each dog being rehomed. Spay or neuter the dog unless given a veterinary waiver. Vaccinate appropriately for the region. Test and/or treat for external and internal parasites (including heartworm). Microchip and register the chip information to prevent loss of the dog. Exceptions may be granted at the discretion of the Rescue Financial Review Committee. e. Charge a minimum adoption fee for each dog placed. If the rescuing club or individual rescue volunteer cannot pay for the care / services required, the ISCA rescue fund may be utilized for such purposes. Adoption fee then goes to ISCA to help cover costs. f. Contact the breeder if an Irish Setter coming into rescue is from a known breeder. g. Agree not to purchased dogs from auctions, pet stores or from private individuals ON BEHALF OF OR IN THE NAME OF ISCA h. Only approved ISCA forms will be used for rescue dogs under the ISCA Rescue Program. (see P&P 660) i. Without exception, no dogs with a prior bite history towards humans or aggression to humans will be accepted into or placed by the ISCA Rescue Program
652	<p>Rescue Program Restructure <i>Board: 02/14/2000 – Memo: 04/2000 – Effective: 02/14/2000</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Rescue Program will be divided into 4 Regions with a Regional Coordinator for each region.
653	<p>Rescue Costs <i>Board: 3/22/2014</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The transportation costs for rescue dogs are limited to \$250 per dog. 2. The lifetime limit that can be spent on an individual rescue dog is \$500.00 total (including \$250 transportation if used) 3. An additional \$500 may be spent with Financial Review Committee Approval for an individual Irish Setter hardship case.
654	<p>Rescue Expense Reimbursement Criteria <i>Board: 11/1/2014 – Effective: 11/14/2014</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Original receipts must accompany the ISCA rescue reimbursement form. Forms need to be submitted within 30 days of services rendered. 2. Additional funds per dog per lifetime are available by approval of the Rescue Financial Review Committee. Non-emergency procedures estimated over the lifetime limit (see P&P 653) must be approved by the committee BEFORE being performed. Detailed medical records with an estimate are to be submitted to the National Rescue Coordinator. The Rescue Financial Review

	<p>Committee will determine payment / non-payment status. In emergency situations, please contact the National Rescue Coordinator as soon as possible.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Any denials will be reported to the ISCA board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting. ISCA will only reimburse on Irish Setters that are in the ISCA rescue program, i.e. either fostered or evaluated in person by an ISCA member
655	<p>Rescue Financial Review Committee <i>Board: 3/22/2014 – Effective: 3/22/2014</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a Rescue Financial Review Committee, consisting of four members of the board, one member from each region, to review and make decisions concerning increasing the funding limit outlay. This committee may also be called upon to review exceptions to the rescue medical protocol that are required before re-homing. A fifth member to the Rescue Financial Review Committee will be either be a veterinarian or vet tech
656	<p>Purchase of Auctioned Irish Setters – Rescue Assistance <i>Board: 06/2002 – Effective: 06/2002</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> ISCA will not pay for rescued Irish Setters who are being auctioned for any reason. ISCA will not assist local clubs or individuals in the care or placing of dogs obtained at auction, at pet shops or from private/individual wholesalers.
657	<p>Rescue Mission <i>Board: 05/30/2016 – Effective: 05/30/16</i></p> <p>The mission of the ISCA rescue program is to rescue stray, abandoned and/or impounded pure bred Irish Setters and to promote and educate the public in matters of responsible dog ownership. The following is available exclusively to ISCA members, who have signed the Rescue Code of Ethics and are in good standing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Guidance and / or support with foster care, health and temperament screening. Guidance and / or support with funding for spay/neuter procedures, required of all Irish Setters placed through the ISCA rescue program. Guidance and / or support with rehabilitation of an ISCA rescued Irish Setter. Guidance and / or support with health and veterinary services. Educate the public in an effort to reduce the number of Irish Setters in need of rescue. Information to prospective adopters about the ISCA rescue program and the requirements for caring for an Irish Setter. Guidance to current Irish Setter owners about any issues that may arise in order to make it possible for the Irish Setter to remain in the original home. The ISCA Rescue Program, whether through the national club or individual ISCA members will not provide support or funding to buy any Irish Setter. ISCA Rescue Program, whether through the National Club, local clubs or individual ISCA members will not buy dogs at auction, wholesale, from pet shops, or from individuals unwilling to surrender an animal without payment. Without exception, no dogs with a prior bite history towards humans or aggression to humans will be accepted into or placed by the ISCA Rescue Program
658	<p>Rescue Volunteer Code of Ethics <i>Board: 11/1/2014 – Effective: 11/14/2014</i></p> <p>The Rescue Volunteer Code of Ethics are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Comply with all American Kennel Club rules and regulations, and Irish Setter Club of America policies. Maintain a high standard of health, care and cleanliness for all rescue dogs. Act in a sportsman like manner and not deliberately degrade breeders, rescue volunteers or other rescue groups. Use a Rescue Owner Release form at the time of intake into rescue. Provide a written

	<p>contract/agreement and Release of Liability and Indemnification for each dog placed through an Irish Setter Rescue Program.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Represent each Irish Setter being placed truthfully and realistically, and provide each adopting family with accurate records regarding health, history, age, medical care given and temperament testing. 6. Incorporate the following medical protocol for each dog being rehomed. Spay or neuter the dog unless given a veterinary waiver. Vaccinate appropriately for the region. Test and/or treat for external and internal parasites (including heartworm). Microchip and register the chip information to prevent loss of the dog. Exceptions may be granted at the discretion of Rescue Financial Review Committee. 7. Reclaim any Irish Setter placed if the adopting family is no longer able to keep the dog. 8. Contact the ISCA National rescue coordinator when receiving a dog with registration papers. Rescue must contact breeder listed on the registration papers if contact information is available. If breeder refuses to accept their dog ISCA Rescue Coordinator is to be told. ISCA Rescue Coordinator will make all efforts to contact and encourage breeder to accept responsibility, financial or accept the return of the dog they bred. If an ISCA member/breeder, who has signed the Principles of Integrity, fails to accept responsibility for a dog they bred the ISCA Rescue Coordinator will refer their name to the board. 9. Coordinate with other rescue volunteers when learning of a dog in need so that resources are conserved. Contact first the rescue volunteer closest to the dog. Contact the National Coordinator if uncertain who is the closest volunteer. Agree to work with your ISCA Regional Coordinator and the National Coordinator, keeping them advised of dogs in need and homes needing dogs. 10. Agree not to purchase a rescue dog through auction.
659	<p>Insurance – As it Pertains to Rescue Program - Requirements per Insurance Carrier <i>Board: 11/1/2014 – Effective: 11/14/2014</i> Policies that must be followed for our Insurance to be in effect:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rescue groups must identify themselves as members of ISCA if they are to be covered by the ISCA insurance policy. 2. Annual proof of insurance from any 501c3 who is doing rescue work in conjunction with ISCA is required. 3. For ISCA's Club Insurance to cover independent rescue groups those groups must have ISCA members in good standing and who are participating in the ISCA Rescue Program as well as the independent rescue program. All forms, emails and verbal communication between the independent rescue, its ISCA member in good standing and ISCA must refer to the ISCA Rescue Program when requesting reimbursement. Any other reference (ISCA Rescue) will not be covered under the ISCA insurance policy and therefore claims that occur will not be covered. 4. To act as representatives of ISCA they must be a member in good standing. 5. All Policies must be set by the ISCA governing body (the board). 6. The governing body (the board) is charged with ensuring all policies are followed. 7. Foster homes. To be covered by our insurance – must be ISCA members. Additionally, the homeowner's insurance is first if there is an issue (damage/injury). Negligence must be proven for our insurance to step in. The Foster family is not covered if the dog bites or causes damage – unless negligence on their part is proven. 8. Anyone who has been proven negligent cannot continue to be part of the rescue program
660	<p>Approved ISCA Rescue Forms <i>Board: 11/1/2014 – Effective: 11/1/2014 [Form revision dates will be changed as needed]</i> Only approved ISCA forms will be used for rescue dogs under the ISCA Rescue Program. The following are the approved ISCA forms (available from the National Rescue Chair or on the ISCA Website):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ISCA Rescue Volunteer Application (revision date 11/1/2014)

	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2. ISCA Rescue Adoption Application (revision date 11/1/2014)3. ISCA Rescue Adoption Contract (revision date 11/1/2014)4. ISCA Rescue Brochure (revision date 11/1/2014)5. ISCA Rescue Reimbursement Form (revision date 11/1/2014)6. ISCA Foundation Grant Application (revision date 11/1/2014)7. ISCA Referral Release Form (revision date 11/1/2014)
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