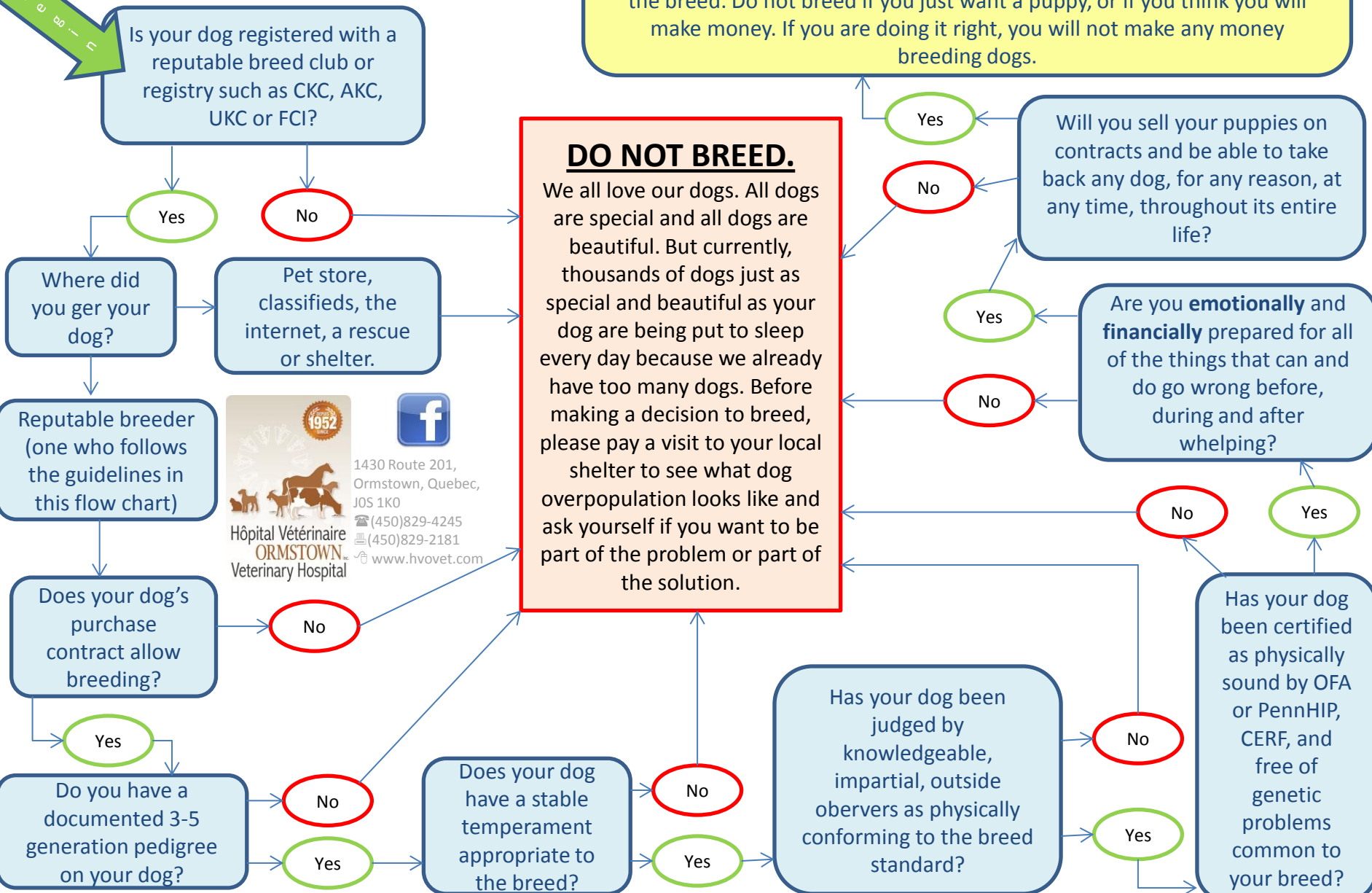# SHOULD YOU BREED YOUR DOG?

A handy decision-making tool

Begin here

If you are in this box, your dog *may* be breeding quality. If you are not showing or working your dog in performance events appropriate to his or her breed, consider carefully why you are breeding your dog. Breeding carries huge responsibilities. You should only breed if you intend to improve the breed. Do not breed if you just want a puppy, or if you think you will make money. If you are doing it right, you will not make any money breeding dogs.

Is your dog registered with a reputable breed club or registry such as CKC, AKC, UKC or FCI?

Yes

No

Where did you ger your dog?

Pet store, classifieds, the internet, a rescue or shelter.

Reputable breeder (one who follows the guidelines in this flow chart)

DO NOT BREED.

We all love our dogs. All dogs are special and all dogs are beautiful. But currently, thousands of dogs just as special and beautiful as your dog are being put to sleep every day because we already have too many dogs. Before making a decision to breed, please pay a visit to your local shelter to see what dog overpopulation looks like and ask yourself if you want to be part of the problem or part of the solution.

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Does your dog's purchase contract allow breeding?

No

Yes

Do you have a documented 3-5 generation pedigree on your dog?

No

Yes

Does your dog have a stable temperament appropriate to the breed?

No

Yes

Has your dog been judged by knowledgeable, impartial, outside obervers as physically conforming to the breed standard?

No

Yes

Has your dog been certified as physically sound by OFA or PennHIP, CERF, and free of genetic problems common to your breed?

No

Yes

Are you **emotionally** and **financially** prepared for all of the things that can and do go wrong before, during and after whelping?

No

Yes

Will you sell your puppies on contracts and be able to take back any dog, for any reason, at any time, throughout its entire life?

Yes

No