

DACHSHUND CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.



(DATE) AFTER THE POLICY (STANDING RULE) INDICATES THE MINUTES WHERE IT CAN BE FOUND.

STANDING RULES

CLUB

Only judges with AKC approved, regular status for dachshund shall be nominated to judge a DCA National specialty show. (July 29, 2006)(B)

DCA Board and Officers sign the DCA code of conduct for board members at the first meeting of each year. (Sept. 25, 2005) (B)

If a booth/vendor will be in conflict with the sponsor of DCA the booth will not be at DCA. (B) (April 10, 2005)

Vendors will be permitted to remain during the DCA national specialty. (B) (April 05)

The Companion Events Committee will work with the host club in finding local obedience judges to judge the obedience portion of DCA. (A) (April 05)

Beginning with the year 2004 all revenue received from the show superintendent or show secretary from the DCA show be sent directly to the DCA treasurer. (Nov. 1, 03) (B)

To receive a plaque for top 10 recognition or versatility the owner (first listed on the dog's registration) not co-owner must be a DCA member at the time the dog qualifies for the award. A certificate of recognition will still be given to the #1 dachshund if the owner is not a DCA member. (Jan. 18, 03) (B)

The results of any disciplinary action shall be reviewed by the chair of the disciplinary committee prior to mailing by the secretary. (Aug. 02) (B)

All TAC proposals and items to be voted on are to be placed in the DCA newsletter and all results thereof published in the newsletter. (Aug.24.02)(B)

Sweepstakes judges shall not exhibit at the DCA conformation, obedience or any other event that is held currently during the three days of the national specialty show. (Feb. 02) (B)

The obedience judges who judge at the DCA national specialty show will be offered a maximum of \$150.00 in addition to expenses. (Feb. 02) (B)

DCA agility judges paid one (\$1.00) per dog entered in addition to expenses. (July 1, 2001) (B)

The Top 10 of any DCA award the member/co-owner needs to be a member for ANY portion of the year. (Feb. 01) (B)

The number of clubs hosting DCA will be limited to two (2) clubs. (November 19, 2000) (B)
(Rescinded Feb. 2001) (B)

The DCA secretary shall mail to all clubs coming up in regional rotation a copy of the Rotational Guidelines/Bidding procedure by December 31 three (3) years in advance of the event. (Oct. 30, 99) (B)

Junior Showmanship shall be offered at no entry fee at all DCA annual specialty shows and regional specialties. (June 3, 1999) (A)

DCA President and the show chair of the National shall not exhibit at the National. (June 3, 1999) (A)

DCA uses a professional court reporter for the DCA Annual Meetings.(April 27,'97)(B) (rescinded 1/18/03)

DCA may use a professional mailing service for entire Membership mailings. (April 27,'97)(B)

Only DCA Members can Judge the DCA National Specialty rule was rescinded.(4/24/97)

No Owner Handler that handles for any form of remuneration shall be eligible for consideration of the Owner Handler Award. (April 24, 1997)(A)

DCA Challenge Trophies shall be sterling silver and must be approved by the Board.(B)

Biographical Profiles mailed with the annual ballot shall not exceed 150 words.(B)

Electronic DCA Membership Rosters (floppy disks) shall not be available to the membership. (April 27, 1997) (B) (Rescinded 1/18/03)

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES

SECRETARY

The board minutes are to be mailed to the board; that the board review the minutes and have corrections to the secretary within a three (3) week period. Provided that there are no corrections with 100% response from the board the minutes will be published pending approval. Any correction will nullify the minutes being printed as 'pending approval'. (1/18/03) (B)

TREASURER

All national DCA sponsorship money is to be paid directly to the DCA treasurer; DCA's percentage will be used exclusively for show expenses. (March 14, 2004) (B)

Beginning with the year 2004 all revenue received from the show superintendent or show secretary from the DCA show be sent directly to the DCA treasurer (Nov. 2, 03) (B)

DCA will no longer issue annual membership cards. (November 19, 2000) (B)

DCA will use a non-member CPA to do the taxes annually. (February 8, 1997) (B)

Any expenditure over \$25.00 must have the original receipt submitted for reimbursement. The Archivist is an exception. (February 8, 1997) (B)

The DCA President is authorized to sign checks if the Treasurer is unable to sign the checks.

AWARD STATISTICS

Conformation top 10 calculated by the AKC breed defeated points statistics.(May 14, 2003) (B)

Obedience method of tabulation: The Schuman ranking system for computing obedience merit points for all dachshunds that compete in obedience events. The DCA system differs from the Schuman only in that the DCA system includes scores earned in Novice. Novice scores, however, are only counted in the DCA system if they are earned within 60 days after completion of the Novice title. The Schuman system as it is used by "Front and Finish" includes only scores from Open and Utility because these are the more difficult classes. Using the Schuman system, each time a dog competes and earns a qualifying score (the lowest qualifying score is 170) it accumulates points. The better the performance, the more points the dog earns. The system reflects the quality of the work a dog and handler do in the ring without regard to placements, high in trial or high combined standings.

The point system follows:

170 - 174.5 1 Point / 175 - 179.5 2 Points / 180 - 184.5 3 Points / 185 - 189.5 4 Points /
190 - 194.5 5 Points / 195 - 197.5 6 Points / 198 - 199.5 7 Points / 200 8 Points

Field Trial Merit award tabulation (July 1, 2001) (B): DCA Membership requirements for Awards will be in accordance with current policy as determined by the DCA Board for DCA Merit Award Programs. Only those points earned for placements in the Field Champion stakes at AKC licensed or member trials will count toward the DCA Field Trial Merit Awards. Points are tabulated using the Delaney System +1 for first through fourth place, based on the number of starters. In the case of ties, dogs will receive the same place award, with the next place(s) being skipped. A minimum of two placements in Field Champion stakes during the award year is required to earn an award.

REGISTER OF MERIT / VERSATILITY

Dachshunds receiving their versatility titles from DCA will be given a free, one time page of advertising for the dog that received the title. (July 1, 2001) (B)

DCA offer the same plaque as the number 1 in other awards to the dog/owner completing the Versatility Certificate and that same be awarded at the awards dinner. (Nov. 19, 2000) (B)

Qualitative requirements shall include WD, WB, BV, and BOS to Best of Variety at the annual DCA National Specialty Host Shows. (April 27, 1997) (B)

WEBPAGE

DCA pays for the annual server fee of \$400.00 for Internet access for the Web Page Chairperson. (Oct. 30, 1999) (B)

DCA pays for the installation and maintain separate phone lines for the Chair and Co-Chair of the Web Page. (Oct. 4, 1997) (B)

DCA pays for the annual server fee of \$220.00 for Internet access for the Web Page Chairperson. (Oct. 4, 1997) (B)

BREEDER REFERRAL

DCA pays for installation and maintains a separate phone line the Breeder Referral Chairperson. (April 27, 1997) (B)

The Breeder Referral Chair is to give the name of the local club contact and the names of DCA members in the same area that have requested to be put on the referral list. Members must specify what variety of puppies they have. (1/31/98) (B)

The Board instructed that if a member wants to be put individually on the Breeder Referral list, they must write the Breeder Referral Chairperson. (5/28/98) (B)

ARTISTIC GALLERY

Booths for DCA for Artists with items that cost \$500.00 or over and will pay DCA 10% of their sales. (Jan. 31, 1998) (B)

NEWSLETTER

Dachshunds receiving their versatility titles from DCA will be given a free, one time page of advertising for the dog that received the title. (July 1, 2001) (B)

Memorials for DCA members (full page ads) will be charged as any other ad. Editorials will continue to be free. (June 17, 2000)

TROPHY

Written guidelines for Challenge trophies approved by the board. (July 1, 2001) (B)

Challenge trophies must be in sterling silver and approved by the Board. The Challenge trophy should be dedicated to a person or dog that is deceased. Multiple Challenge trophies can be offered for the same category. A picture of the Trophy along with the proposal information about the trophy should be given to the DCA Trophy Chairperson and the Trophy Chair will forward the information to the Board for approval. (B)

The Chair will be in charge of the DCA scales. (5/31/98) (B)

To retire a Challenge trophy, it must be won by IDENTICAL OWNERSHIP three (3) times. (6/6/99) (B)

DCA TROPHY BUY BACK PROGRAM

Awards are periodically purchased from DCA members or their estates at the members' request.

1. Awards purchased must be in good condition.
2. Awards are purchased from members at 90% of their current purchase price from vendors.

3. When awards are received, confirm the condition and log into inventory.
4. Notify DCA Treasurer of receipt of awards and request that a check be sent in the appropriate amount directly to the member.
5. Make out receipt for received awards and send to member.
6. Do not place sticker with name/kennel name on back of purchased awards.
7. Distribute awards in same fashion as awards purchased from vendors. (Awards Program Manual) (B)

BROCHURE AND VIDEO

DCA will offer the video tapes/CDs of the annual show for sale through DCA. (11/19/00) (B)
DCA National Specialty Show video copy will go to the AKC archives. (10/31/98) (B)

NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Chair (liaison) given authority to sign hotel contract. (10/30/99) (B)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The biographical profiles of the individuals who are nominated must accompany the signed letter of acceptance of each candidate. (2/9/02) (B)

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