

Section 12 Responsibilities of Exhibitors and Handlers

- a) This is a German style Sieger show. The event is being held outdoors, rain or shine.
- b) Exhibitors acknowledge that qualifications and placings awarded by the judge are incontestable and shall not be subject to review. Public expressions of criticism or insults directed at judges are impermissible.
- c) Pedigrees of dogs/Registration Certificates for showing, performance certificates for working dogs and proof of Champion titles are to be presented on request.
- d) Each exhibitor/handler is personally responsible for their actions and are subject under the rules of the URKA Inc. Policies and Procedures of Misconduct.
- e) Each exhibitor/handler is personally responsible for presenting dogs punctually for showing.
- f) Arm bands with correct catalog numbers must be displayed clearly by handlers on their person.
- g) Only fur saver collars on the dead-ring can be worn at club shows, trials, breed surveys, and evaluations. E-collars, choke chains and pinch collars are not permitted.
- h) Dogs are shown in natural stance; no hand stacking is allowed. No food is allowed in the ring or as bait; toys maybe used at the Judge's discretion. Double handling is encouraged.
- i) Your dog should know to show bite; front, sides, and open wide.
- j) The dog must allow the judge to touch genitals and tail while standing.
- k) **Adult classes will be moved (run or walked) long enough for the judge to evaluate the movement.**
- l) **The use of any IGP training and protection equipment is forbidden from being used while baiting dogs during shows, SE or ZTP. (ie: bite sleeves, whips or other forms of agitation equipment).**
- m) **It is prohibited for anyone to use live animals, rodents, birds or other for the purpose of baiting dogs in the ring.**
- n) **Dogs must be on leash and under control at all times inside or outside the ring, including show grounds. Dropping the leash is not permitted. This is a safety issue concerning people and other dogs.**
- o) No dogs are allowed to be tied out at the show site or ringside. No dogs are allowed to be crated near the ring.
- p) Use designated areas to exercise your dogs and clean up after them.

Section 18B DQ – Pulled – Excused - Absent Defined

DQ – Disqualified by the Judge

Dog HAS checked in Dog HAS entered the ring

- If the DQ is for aggression or temperament, the critique ends at that point and dog leaves the ring.
- If the DQ is for reasons other than aggression or temperament (for example, missing tooth), at Judge's discretion the critique may continue as exhibition only for learning purposes of the exhibitor.
 - Critique IS completed at Judge's discretion *OR* to point of disqualification. Reason for disqualification is entered on the critique and the rating box is marked as DQ.

Pulled = Dog is not presented for Judging

Dog HAS checked in. Dog HAS NOT entered the ring *OR* Dog HAS entered the ring. Dog HAS NOT been presented to the Judge

- The owner may pull the dog at their discretion.
- Examples of reasons for pulling are: dog is limping, dog shows temperament not ideal for showing on that day, or illness.
 - Critique IS NOT completed. Critique states only that owner pulled and reason if given and the rating box is marked as **Pulled**.

Excused = Excused by the Judge

Dog HAS entered the ring Dog MAY *or* MAY NOT have been presented to the judge at the time of being excused

- Examples of reasons for being excused are: Judge cannot complete evaluation due to behavior, handler behavior, a temporary condition of the dog (if the dog has a limp the critique can continue except for movement), or Judge's discretion.
- This rating is also to be given if traces of operations or treatment can be observed which seems to indicate that the exhibitor wanted to deceive the judge. The same applies if the judge has ample reason to suspect operations that were intended to correct the original condition or feature (e.g.: eyelid, ear or tail)
 - Critique IS completed at Judge's discretion *OR* to point where dog is excused Critique ends with "Excused" and the reason and the rating box is marked as Excused.

AB = Absent

Dog HAS NOT checked in Dog HAS NOT entered the ring.

Delayed = Late arriving dog

If a dog that has been entered into the catalog arrived late to its class but was presented to the judge as per section 17. Dog is to be recorded on critique as delayed for arriving late.