



# SCSC

## ***STANDING RULES***

Rev. 7/26/19

*(These Standing Rules may be amended by the Board of Directors per the By-Laws of the Southern California Schutzhund Club)*

### **PURPOSE**

The Southern California Schutzhund Club is an IGP club for dog trainers who wish to share training ideas and pursue competition goals with dogs of all breeds and proficiency levels.

### **WHO MAY ATTEND SCSC TRAINING?**

***Everyone attending a training session shall sign-in in the Training binder/notebook. This will be a record used to calculate attendance and member status.***

- ***Current & Probationary Members***

- Dues are paid and current liability waiver is on file
- It is expected every dog in attendance will have all state required vaccinations
- Note: It is up to each member to carry personal liability insurance – it is strongly suggested!
- Probationary Members must have a properly submitted Membership Application with two club sponsors (It is strongly recommended that at least one sponsor be in attendance for all training sessions during the minimum 90-day probationary period and until voting for membership status can occur.)

- ***Approved Guests***

- Confirm with designated club contact in advance – Guest attendance, fees and field availability to be approved in advance and as time allows after club members
- Guests should check in when they arrive, sign our guest book and liability waiver
- **Spectators:** We welcome visitors who are interested in learning more about the sport of Schutzhund/IGP – there is no limit on how often one may attend training as a Spectator without a dog
- **Guests with Dogs:** Guest Donation of \$30 CASH for participants
  - Guest Donation request is waived for first 2 training sessions for novice participants (no bite work)
  - Puppies under 4 months of age may “meet and greet” (no field time) at no charge
  - Guest Donation request is waived for 2 weeks prior to an upcoming SCSC trial for those trainers preparing to compete
  - It is expected every dog in attendance will have all state required vaccinations
  - Guests may work one dog per night after members or when time allows – exceptions must be approved by the Training Director/Committee
- Guests must remain in the seating area except with guidance from the Training Director/Committee
- Dogs/puppies must remain secure in vehicles until club members have had their turn and the Training Director/Committee indicate it is appropriate to bring the dog/puppy for their turn. (We strongly encourage the use of crates for securing the dog.)

# GENERAL FIELD RULES

## Etiquette/Sportsmanship

1. Adherence to the "Golden Rule" will apply during all training sessions (Treat others as you would like to be treated.)
2. It is recommended that everyone pay attention during training sessions – all of us can learn by watching others and oftentimes observations can be helpful for the handler on the field
3. No one shall sign-in another person in the Sign-in book unless designated
4. All members shall be responsible for assisting in equipment set-up and removal after training sessions

## Training Parameters

1. Each Member/Probationary Member may work a total of 2 dogs in any training session (no more than one dog at a time) – more than 2 dogs per night is at the discretion of the TD/TC and must be approved
2. More than one dog on the field at one time per the discretion of the TD/TC
3. A training list/running order may be maintained in the spectator area – if not being used, please be sure to take turns as those arriving earlier may still be waiting to work a dog
4. Excessive use of force, or any abusive manner during the training sessions will not be tolerated and you will be asked to leave. If you have a specific training problem, please allow us to help you solve it with an alternative method
5. Handlers have the final say on the training method used on their dog
6. During the "obedience period" no dogs shall be agitated on the training field while other dogs are also working
7. No dogs shall be allowed in the "spectator" area during protection training, except at the discretion of the TD/TC
8. Dogs on the field must be trained by their owners unless otherwise approved by the TD/TC
9. Handlers/owners may not receive monetary or other compensation for any training of dogs while at the SCSC training site.
10. Only club authorized "Helpers" may decoy dogs or puppies on the training field and "Guest Helpers" must be approved by the TD/TC
11. "Helpers" may work their own dogs when it is best to facilitate training and at the discretion of the TD/TC
12. Guests may work their dogs after members, or when time allows, at the discretion of the TD/TC
13. Any person requesting a sport evaluation for their dog must make prior arrangement with the TD/TC. Evaluation will take place at the end of any training session or at the discretion of the TD/TC and "Helper"

## General Safety & Dog Handling

1. Members shall always be aware of other handlers and their animals at all times
2. All dogs must be on leash except when working
3. All dogs not being worked must be left in properly secured and ventilated vehicles or in secured crates next to their vehicle. Adequate water must be provided.
4. Dogs may be permitted in the clubhouse for a "cool-down" period after their Obedience session – OR – for those needing additional socialization or training, at the discretion of the TD/TC
5. Children under the age of 12 are not allowed at training. All children must be under the control of their parents at all times.

## Facility Maintenance & Requirements

1. Handlers should not allow dogs to eliminate on or next to the field and should use designated potty areas
2. All dog droppings shall be picked up
3. No smoking is allowed on or near the training field or clubhouse area, including e-cigarettes and other electronic devices
4. No firearms or other weapons are allowed on the training field or at meetings except the club's "starter pistol"
5. No alcoholic beverages or drugs of any type will be allowed at any time in the park/training field (Per Long Beach Police Dept.)
6. All trash must be deposited in the green dumpsters! (Per LBPOA – too much temptation for local wildlife!)

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## TRAINING DAYS/HOURS

Training is provided for members on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30pm-11:00pm, unless otherwise noted.\*

Obedience is followed by Protection when available.

(\*Field availability is determined through LBPOA and may be changed at the last minute. Please be sure we have your current contact information.)

## TRAINING COMMITTEE

The Training Director/Committee will assume responsibility for training sessions and ensure the club rules and policies are being followed.

## COMMUNICATION

Club correspondence and notifications will be communicated primarily electronically. It is your responsibility to be sure we have your current contact information. If you do not have email access, please let us know and we can use other communication methods.