

## RULES FOR CONFORMATION SHOW:

### General rules:

All dogs must be currently registered with American Stock Dog Registry. No pending dogs will be allowed, each dog must have a permanent number.

All participants must present a current health certificate, rabies shot (if required) and a copy of their shot record when signing in for the show. Dogs will not be admitted to the show area without these.

All dogs will be measured at check in if height requirements are part of breed standard. ASDR official will be measuring the dogs, and their word is final.

Females in season are allowed to participate, but care must be taken to not distract other competitors. Exercise is allowed, but must be away from other dogs. This rule falls under sportsmanlike conduct and should be viewed by officials as such.

### IN THE RING:

Exhibitors may hand stack their dogs.

Bait may be used, but is never to be thrown in the ring. If dropped it must be picked up.

Exhibitor observed throwing bait or not picking up dropped bait will be dismissed from the ring.

Small comb or brush are the only grooming tools allowed in the ring. Squeakers and Clickers are not allowed in the show ring.

Please clean up after your dog in the ring and surrounding areas.

### JUDGING:

Be on time for your class. Exhibitors are expected to be ready for their class. Numbers will be called with one reminder, and then the class will be closed.

Dogs will be evaluated both while gaited and stacked. In order to be properly evaluated, the dog must be compared to the standard while stacked to assess its conformation and gaited to determine the efficiency and athleticism of the dog's locomotion.

Working dogs are not to be penalized for scars or injuries.

Dogs should be penalized for deviations from the breed standard.

The following are NOT allowed and is grounds for disqualification:

Altering of nose, eye or lip pigment color.

Glueing ears to alter their natural placement.

The Judge shall have the right to disqualify any owner or handler for misconduct, or any dog for growling, snapping or fighting.

Handlers are responsible for their conduct and personal appearance.

Show committee or Judge has the right to request that a handler or spectator be removed from the show site for unsportsmanlike behavior. Attempting to distract another competitors dog by throwing or dropping bait would be a prime example of this type of behavior.

Any person intimidating, threatening or injuring a show participant, Judge, club officer or ASDR representative will be barred for no less than one (1) year up to life from any ASDR licensed event.

The Judge's decision is final. The Judge shall give reasons on official score card. Any exhibitor may question the Judge concerning their decision after the completion of the class in which the exhibitor's dog is entered. Such questions shall be presented in a sportsmanlike manner.