

Proposed Southwestern Universal Sieger Regulations

This program has been designed to promote the German Shepherd Dog breeding in the Southwestern Region of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America (USCA), addressing both physical qualities as well as character attributes as the foundation of the true German Shepherd Dog. This program closely follows the USCA (national) and the WUSV (international) Universal Sieger rules & regulation, and is submitted to the Southwestern Region on December 12, 2023, by Nelli Racsko, Regional Director.

1. The SWR Region will recognize and award a “Southwestern Universal Sieger, or Southwestern Universal Siegerin (year)” as a title for German Shepherd Dog.
2. All German Shepherd Dogs owned by a resident of the Southwestern Region who are members in good standing of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America are eligible to receive this title under the following conditions:
 - The dog must have a WUSV recognized pedigree.
 - The dog must be breed surveyed.
 - The dog must be shown at the Southwestern Regional Championship (for IGP3) and in the Southwestern Regional Breeding Evaluation (in the Working Class) in the same calendar year.
 - The dog must be pronounced and at least G at the Southwestern Regional Breeding Evaluation.
 - The dog must be pronounced with a minimum of 80 points in protection and at least G score overall at the Southwestern Regional Championship.
3. The dog receiving the highest number of points combined in both events will be declared as the Southwestern Universal Sieger or Southwestern Universal Siegerin (year).
4. The following points will be awarded for Health, the Southwestern Regional Breeding Evaluation, and the Southwestern Regional Championship (sections A-G):

The maximum points to be obtained are 600 (100 for health, 200 for breed evaluation, 300 for regional championship performance).

Only dogs who scored at least 70 points in sections A, B, D, E, & F and 80 points in section C can take part in the breed ranking.

A. Regional Championship Performance IGP3

- Tracking Phase
- Points earned between 70-100

B. Regional Championship Performance IGP3

- Obedience Phase
- Points earned between 70-100

C. Regional Championship Performance IGP3

- Protection Phase
- Points earned between 80-100
- Must earn minimum 80 points in protection

D. Health

-The results of the HD and ED diagnostics (only accepted from SV recognized evaluation offices) shall be included in the rating list.

- * HD: A/ED: A = 100 Points
- * HD: A/ED: B or HD: B/ED: A = 95 Points
- * HD: B/ED: B = 90 Points
- * HD: A/ED: C or HD: C/ED: A = 80 Points
- * HD: B/ED: C or HD: C/ED: B = 75 Points
- * HD C/ED: C = 70 Points
- * a-normal = 8, fast-normal = B, Noch Zugelassen = C

- Dogs who obtained lower results are not permitted.

E. Breed Evaluation Rating Working Class

- The show section shall be rated according to the classes and be divided by MALES and FEMALES. Both hair varieties are presented and rated in their respective classes. The breed show is held according to the requirements of the GHKL working dog classes (WUSV Breeding Program).

- The class winner shall be awarded 100 Points, the second winner 98 Points, etc. (with a downgrading of two points for each of the next following ranking).

F. Breed Evaluation Rating Working Class

- In addition, breed valuations are offered. The ranking is carried out as follows:

- * Excellent/Vorzuglich = 100 Points
- * Very good/Sehr gut = 90 Points
- * Good/Gut = 80 Points
- * Sufficient/Genugend = 70 Points
- * Insufficient/Ungenugend = 60 Points
- * Unsatisfactory = 50 Points Disqualification

- Only dogs who scored at least 70 points in Section A to E and 80 points in section C can take part in the show ranking.

5. American Bred Dogs

- Those dogs bred in America will have 5 points added to their total earned in Sections A-F.

If there is a tie breaker necessary, the points received from the performance in the Southwestern Regional Championship will dominate the other points. If an additional tie breaker is necessary, the points received from C, Southwestern Regionals Performance (protection phase) will dominate. If an additional tie breaker is necessary, the points received from B. Southwestern Regionals Performance (obedience phase) will dominate. If an additional tie breaker is necessary, the points received from A. Southwestern Regionals Performance (tracking phase) will dominate. If an additional tie breaker is necessary, the points received from D. Health will dominate. If an additional tie breaker is necessary, the points received from F. Conformation Rating, show rating will dominate.

The Southwestern Universal Sieger and Siegerin (year) are important titles for our breeding.

The Southwestern Universal Sieger and Universal Siegerin will be recognized in the March/April issues of the USCA magazine within the following year of winning the award. The Regional Breed Warden is responsible for creating a one-page ad for the winner(s).

The Southwestern Universal Sieger and Universal Siegerin will receive a trophy at the award of the Southwestern Regional Championships or Southwestern Regional Breeding Evaluation, whichever event concludes the other within the same calendar year.

