

SECTION 29. TROPHIES, CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS

1. Certificates

- A. Completed certificates will be issued for the primary show titles and awards and distributed at the event.
- B. Completed certificates will be issued for all degrees and titles earned at IPO trials and distributed at the event.
- C. Certificates will be issued for all breed surveys and standard evaluations earned and distributed at the event.

2. Trophies - suitable awards to be issued to primary winners. Primary winners are:

- A. IPO trials - High in Trial, High Tracking, High Obedience and High Protection.
- B. Shows - Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Best Adult Male or Sieger, Best Adult Female or Siegerin, Best Youth Male or Youth Sieger, Best Youth Female or Youth Siegerin, Best Puppy Male and Best Puppy Female or Most Beautiful Puppy Female.
- C. Spring Sieger Show - Kombi Sieger and Kombi Siegerin.

3. Only RKNA approved titles or RKNA approved awards may be awarded at RKNA events. **(Additional awards can be presented to the Executive Board for prior approval)**

- 4. Ribbons/awards must be given for each class, placements 1 through 4.
- 5. Ribbons/awards must be given to each dog who passes standard evaluation or a breed survey.

SECTION 30. RKNA SIEGER AND BREED SHOWS

1. RKNA shall conduct a Spring Sieger Show, Klub Sieger Show. Each region shall conduct a regional Sieger Show. All other shows will be Breed Shows.

2. The annual spring show shall be referred to as the RKNA Spring Sieger Show.

3. The annual fall show shall be referred to as the RKNA Klub Sieger Show.

4. Each region may hold one Regional Sieger Show each year. The regional show shall be awarded on an alphabetical basis. New clubs who join RKNA will be inserted into the list based on the name of the club. If a club is not interested in hosting a Regional Sieger Show, then it goes to the next club on the list in the region.

5. Naming of events: the event name shall show (1) number of event, (2) club initials, (3) type of event and (4) year. Example. A new club holds its first breed show in 2016 and the club initials are SEPK. The name of the first show shall be No. 1 SEPK Breed Show 2016. Its next show shall be No. 2 SEPK Breed Show year held

This numbering system applies to all RKNA events.

6. The advanced breed survey titles must be offered at the Spring Sieger Show and the Klub Sieger Show and may be offered at the Meisterschaft. The host club must extend invitation to a licensed ADRK show judge or licensed RKNA breed judge to judge the advanced breed survey dogs.

7. RKNA will offer an annual grant to the club hosting the RKNA Spring Sieger Show and the RKNA Klub Sieger Show; the amount is subject to Executive Board review and approval and is subject to funds being available. This grant will be paid upon receipt of all event paperwork by RKNA. **The grant amount will be determined by the Executive Board.**

8. All breed shows hosted by RKNA full member clubs may use the name "ADRK-style Show" in promoting the events.

9. Clubs must ensure that dogs born in countries where docking is forbidden by law shall be shown with the tail in its natural state. There shall be no preference in conformation shows for dogs with docked tails or for dogs with tails left in the natural state.

10. Entry fees are not refundable for dogs entered and not presented.

11. Sick dogs are not to be presented.

12. Females in heat may be presented in a show, breed survey or standard evaluation.

13. Clubs must ensure the following is available when hosting RKNA shows (an event checklist is available on the RKNA website):

- functioning toilet facilities
- public address system in working condition
- a show ring of approximately 75 feet x 75 feet
- food and refreshment for the judge
- working computer and working printer for typing and printing of critiques, certificates and breed surveys
- typist with a minimum typing speed of 65 wpm familiar with the wording of critiques
- all measuring devices required by the judge unless the judge agrees to bring his/her measuring tools to the event
- Judges may judge a maximum of 55 dogs each day, or 110 dogs over a 2-day show, entered in regular classes. In addition, judges may judge dogs in non-regular classes such as Standard Evaluation, breed survey, exhibition class, kennel class, brood bitch and stud dog.
- Clubs should have a working international microchip Reader to check microchips
- Permanent identification must be checked on all dogs in the show ring while bite is being checked. The Ring Steward shall ask the handler to scan the dog and then compare the microchip number with the number printed in the show catalog. Bites can only be checked from within the show ring, **auxiliary ring or place at the judge's discretion (for SE and ZTP only).**

14. The titles of Sieger or Siegerin are available at the RKNA Spring Sieger Show and at Regional Sieger Shows. The titles Klub Sieger or Klub Siegerin are only available at the RKNA Klub Sieger Show held each fall.

15. The Kombi Sieger & Kombi Siegerin titles are only available at the RKNA Spring Sieger Show. Clubs must offer this class for both sexes. Entrants must have successfully trialed at the IPO I level at the previous RKNA Meisterschaft. The winner of the Kombi classes is awarded Kombi Sieger or Kombi Siegerin. The winner of the Kombi class will then compete with the other main winners for the title of Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex.

16. All levels of RKNA breed survey titles must be offered at the RKNA Spring Sieger Show and RKNA Klub Sieger Show.

17. Titles available at the RKNA Spring Sieger Show. Certificates must be issued at the show for all titles and awards.

- RKNA Sieger
- RKNA Siegerin
- RKNA Youth Sieger
- RKNA Youth Siegerin
- Kombi Sieger
- Kombi Siegerin

Awards available at the RKNA Spring Sieger Show

- Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex. If a dog wins from the adult class, one point shall be awarded towards the Elite Championship title. If a dog wins from the youth class, no point towards the Elite Championship title shall be awarded.

18. Titles available at the RKNA Klub Sieger Show. Certificates must be issued at the show for all titles and awards.

- RKNA Klub Sieger
- RKNA Klub Siegerin
- RKNA Klub Youth Sieger

- RKNA Klub Youth Siegerin
- Most Beautiful Puppy Male
- Most Beautiful Puppy Female

Awards available at the RKNA Klub Sieger Show

- Best of Breed and Best of Breed Opposite Sex. If a dog wins from the adult class, one point shall be awarded towards the Elite Championship title. If a dog wins from the youth class, no point towards the Elite Championship title shall be awarded.

19. Titles available at regional Sieger shows. Certificates must be issued at the show for all titles and awards.

- "Club's initials" Regional Sieger
- "Club's initials" Regional Siegerin
- "Club's initials" Regional Youth Sieger
- "Club's initials" Regional Youth Siegerin
- "Club's initials" Regional Most Beautiful Puppy Male
- "Club's initials" Regional Most Beautiful Puppy Female

Awards available at a Regional Sieger Show

Best of Breed and Best of Breed Opposite Sex. If a dog wins from the adult class, one point shall be awarded towards the Elite Championship title. If a dog wins from the youth class, no point towards the Elite Championship title shall be awarded.

20. Titles available at all RKNA Breed Shows. Certificates must be issued at the show for all titles and awards.

- Best Adult Male
- Best Adult Female
- Best Youth Male
- Best Youth Female
- Best Puppy Male
- Best Puppy Female

Awards available at all RKNA Breed Shows

- Best of Breed and Best of Breed Opposite Sex. If a dog wins from the adult class, one point shall be awarded towards the Elite Championship title. If a dog wins from the youth class, no point towards the Elite Championship title shall be awarded.

21. The day prior to the first day of the show shall be the date used to determine the age of the dog and the appropriate class.

22. Proof of registration must be submitted with each entry form to be accepted.

23. Proof of working titles (~~minimum of IPO 1 or equivalent~~) **(must have an IPO title defined as per the FCI rules)** must be submitted with the entry form for the Working classes.

24. When a dog is eligible for more than one class, the dog's owner determines the entry with the exception of puppies as they must enter in the appropriate age class.

25. With the exception of the Kennel Group, Brood Bitch, Stud Dog and Exhibition classes, all other classes shall be divided into Males and Females.

26. Each day, all male classes exhibit first followed by all female classes, if only one show ring is being used.

27. Entries are divided into the following classes:

~~Regular Classes (all Regular Classes receive ratings) Baby class 8 weeks-4 months~~

Puppy Class 4-6 months

Puppy Class 6-9 months

Youth Class 9-15 months

Youth Class 12-18 months

Intermediate Class 15-24 months with no working or championship title. Open Class over 15 months with no working or championship title.

Champion Class over 15 months with Championship title from RKNA or any national kennel club. Working Class over 18 months with an IPO title.

Veteran Class over 8 years

Kombi Class over 18 months who successfully trialed at any level of IPO at the previous year's Meisterschaft.

A. Non-Regular Classes

Brood Bitch entered by the owner of the brood bitch. Must have at least two (2) offspring appear in the ring. Offspring must be entered in regular classes. The class is evaluated on the merits of the offspring. Owner of the brood bitch does not need to be the owner of the offspring.

Stud Dog entered by the owner of the stud dog. Must have at least two (2) offspring appear in the ring. Offspring must be entered in regular classes. The class is evaluated on the merits of the offspring. Owner of the stud dog does not need to be the owner of the offspring.

Kennel Class entered by the kennel owner. Three (3) or more dogs bred by the kennel owner and registered with the kennel name of the entrant. All dogs must be entered in the show's regular classes. The kennel owner need not be the owner of all the dogs.

Exhibition are for critique only. This class is open to Rottweilers with a disqualifying fault, who are Class altered (ie spayed or neutered), too young to enter regular puppy class or whose owners do not want to enter their dog in regular classes. No ratings or placements are to be awarded. Dogs are critiqued with fault(s) noted. This class is for educational purposes only.

28. A. Effective January 1, 2016, all dogs must have permanent identification (ie tattoo number or microchip number) to enter a RKNA show or trial.

B. Permanent identification on dogs may be checked for all classes during a RKNA event inside the show ring at the same time teeth are checked. Clubs are encouraged to have on hand an international microchip Reader and/or notify entrants to bring their own microchip reader. The identification number found on the dog shall be compared against the dog's permanent identification number listed in the show catalog. Dogs who are AKC registered should have a letter from the dog's vet stating the registered name of the dog and the permanent identification number the vet found on the dog or else the dog's scorebook must be presented. Catalogs must list the permanent identification number found on the dog. At check in, the Event Secretary shall check the permanent identification number listed in the show catalog against the registration certificate or the dog's scorebook or letter from vet at check in. The owner of the dog is responsible to ensure the dog is entered in the correct class.

C. At the start of a class, all dogs must enter the show ring. The ring steward must check arm band number to ensure the handler is wearing the correct arm band number and that the typist pulls up the correct dog's critique form before typing the critique. The ring steward shall compare the arm band number with the catalog number listed in the catalog. Bites can be checked before or after movement, at the judge's discretion. Bites can only be checked within the show ring, **auxiliary ring or place at the judge's discretion (for SE and ZTP only).**

D. Clubs are responsible to ensure they have made provision for flood lights if there is the possibility they will run out of natural light. It is not acceptable to select winners under darkness and/or vehicle headlights.

E. Events start with the opening ceremony, followed by check-in, followed by regular classes, followed by non-regular classes. Shows end with the closing ceremony. When two shows are scheduled over the same

weekend, only when the first show is completely finished with awards handed out may the second show start.

F. A dog who is entered in the Open Class who has an IPO title or a Champion title shall have the rating and placement awarded revoked and shall be assessed a fine of no less than \$300.

G. A copy of the catalog marked with all results must be given to the judge and apprentice judge at the close of the event.

A copy for the Real Time Summary Sheets to the RKNA Administrator of Records as part of required event paperwork.

29. Ratings awarded at RKNA shows. The judge's decision is final. No protest is permitted.

Puppies are less than one year of age:

VP - Very Promising P - Promising

S - Satisfactory

NP - Not Promising DQ - Disqualified

Youth and Adult Dogs

V - Excellent

SG - Very Good G - Good

B - Satisfactory

U - Unsatisfactory DQ – Disqualified

30. Catalog

A. Printed or typed catalogues must be available at all shows, breed surveys and standard evaluations for purchase. All dogs shown must be listed in the catalog. The following information must appear on the cover of the catalogue:

- State the event is sanctioned by RKNA
- Name of Show

Hosting Club

- Date of Show
- Judge(s) Name(s)
- RKNA logo
- The vet location, including address and phone number

B. Clubs must use the RKNA recommended online system effective January 1, 2016.

C. The following information must be shown for each entry in the catalog

- Catalog Number (a unique, sequential number assigned to each entry)
- Registered name of dog. No call name will be printed in the catalog
- Registration number from national kennel club or national breed club
- Tattoo or microchip number. AKC registered dogs should carry a RKNA scorebook or have a letter from their vet stating the registered name of the dog and permanent identification number found on the dog
- Date of Birth
- Sex
- Hip certification for all entries. If a hip certification is not provided on the entry form the phrase "not available" will be used.
- Registered name of sire
- Registered name of dam
- Name of Breeder
- Name and Address of Owner(s)
- The words "**FOR SALE**" shall not appear in the class entry section in any manner
- Kennel names are not permitted in the breeder and owner information line of the entry form or in the class entry section of the catalog

D. Catalogs must include the following paragraphs

The SE (Standard Evaluation) is not a breed test. RKNA encourages all breeders to place SE on their breeding stock as RKNA believes breeders should know the measurements of dogs they are breeding as well as eye colour. The SE ensures the dog has a passing hip and elbow rating and is free of disqualifying fault under FCI standard. Puppy buyers are encouraged to only purchase pups whose parents possess either a SE or a Ztp. The dog must have a passing hip and elbow rating and permanent identification (tattoo or microchip). Once the conformation and soundness qualifications have been met, the dog's traffic sureness is tested. This test includes a gun sureness test and a test to ensure the dog is stable around the public. If a dog has a SE and loses a tooth, the dog may still be bred and may also attempt the Ztp.

The Ztp (Zuchtauglichkeitsprüfung) is designed to select those Rottweilers who are worthy of being bred. The dog's conformation must be judged of breeding quality and free of disqualifying faults. The dog must have a passing hip and elbow rating and permanent identification (tattoo or microchip). Once the conformation and soundness qualifications have been met, the dog's temperament is tested. This test includes a gun sureness test, a protection test, and a test to ensure the dog is stable around the public. The Rottweiler Klub of North America strongly believes that these tests are vital to maintaining the Rottweiler in type and temperament and should be the foundation of any breeding program.

Gekört is designed to select those Rottweilers who are the best dogs in order to improve the overall qualities of the Rottweiler. Males must be IPO 3 and females IPO 1, must have an AD and three show ratings under two different judges of SG or better. The protection routine shall be the FCI IPO 3 protection routine. The IPO rule book can be downloaded from the RKNA website.

The Gekört bis EzA may be attempted 24 months after a dog has earned the Gekört is the highest breed suitability title available and is the lifetime breed suitability test. A dog must have sired/whelped two litters where all offspring are free of disqualifying fault according to FCI standard.

Working Class - to compete in this class a dog must have earned an IPO title. International Prüfungsordnung (IPO) is an internationally recognized temperament test for the working breeds. The dog must pass a tracking test, an obedience test and a protection test. The exercises in all three phases of the tests are designed to demonstrate the dog's natural drive to work for a handler as well as the strength of character that it takes to have those drives molded into a disciplined behavior. It is the goal of the Rottweiler Klub of North America to promote the working Rottweiler through the IPO sport.