



UPPER SNAKE RIVER VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB Guidelines for Membership

The objects of the Upper Snake River Valley Dog Training Club are to:

- (A) promote the training of pure-bred dogs;
- (B) disseminate knowledge regarding obedience training;
- (C) conduct classes for the training of all dogs and their handlers;
- (D) encourage the training of judges;
- (E) hold and support obedience trials, agility trials, tracking tests, and sanctioned matches under the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club;
- (F) promote cooperation and good sportsmanship among its members in the training and exhibition of dogs.

ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP, SECTION 1 Eligibility. There shall be four types of membership. Regular and Family membership is open to all persons eighteen years of age and older who are in good standing with The American Kennel Club and who subscribe to the objects of this Club. Junior membership is open to all persons between the ages of 10 and 17 years of age who are in good standing with The American Kennel Club and who subscribe to the objects of this Club.

- (A) Regular Membership - enjoys all the privileges of the Club including voting and holding office.
- (B) Family Membership - enjoys all the privileges of the Club and is limited to two designated voters per family.
- (C) Junior Membership - enjoys all the privileges of the Club but can not vote or hold office.
- (D) Honorary Membership - pay no dues and can not vote or hold office. However, each such member may acquire active/voting status by payment of dues.

Membership shall be for persons desiring to take part in the Club business. All members shall be expected to assist in club functions. Membership shall be open to anyone who has completed the Club's basic obedience, agility or tracking training course, or its equivalent elsewhere, or has successfully trained a dog in Novice obedience, Agility or Tracking as evidenced by at least one qualifying (passing) score in an AKC Obedience Trial, Agility Trial or Tracking Test. (This requirement applies to one designated voter only in the case of family membership.)

SECTION 3 Election to Membership. Each application shall carry the endorsement of two members. Accompanying the application, the prospective member shall submit dues payment for the current year.

All applications are to be filed with the Secretary and each application is to be read at the first meeting of the Club following its receipt. At the next Club meeting the application will be voted upon by secret ballot and affirmative votes of 3/4 of the membership present and voting at the meeting shall be required to elect the applicant.

Applicants for membership who have been rejected by the Club may not reapply within six (6) months after rejection.

WE EXPECT MEMBERS TO:

1. PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS.

Attend, voice concerns, vote, volunteer for committees, offices, special assignments.

2. HELP AT CLUB EVENTS.

Obedience trials, agility trials, tracking tests, sanctioned matches, picnics, parties, demonstrations, (set up, clean up, lay tracks, food service, tow trailer, steward, judge, etc).

3. PARTICIPATE IN TRAINING.

Instruct, assist, lay tracks, set up, clean up, sell equipment, study and adhere to AKC Obedience Regulations (review periodically).

4. CONCERN YOURSELF WITH THE WELFARE OF DOGS AND THEIR BEHAVIOR.

5. SEEK OUT AND WELCOME NEW MEMBERS.

**Dues are due January 1st of each year: \$15 - Regular, \$20 - Family, \$10 - Junior.
No member may vote whose dues are not paid for the current year.**

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P.O. Box 1611 - Idaho Falls, ID 83403

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

___ Junior (\$10)

___ Regular (\$15)

___ Family (\$20)

Name _____ Birth date _____

Spouse Name _____ Birth date _____

Address _____ Home Phone _____

City/State/Zip _____ E-Mail _____

(1) Breed of Dog _____ Name _____

Age _____ Birth date _____ AKC Registered? _____ Degrees earned _____

(2) Breed of Dog _____ Name _____

Age _____ Birth date _____ AKC Registered? _____ Degrees earned _____

Have you ever taken a training class before? _____ Dates _____

Where? _____

Prior Dog Club Affiliations? _____

Do you now belong to another Dog Club? If so list _____

Have you ever earned a leg in an Obedience Trial? _____ Degree won _____

Have you ever earned a leg in an Agility Trial? _____ Degree won _____

Have you ever participated in a Tracking Test? _____ Success? _____

Please list any talents that might be of help to U.S.R.V.D.T.C. _____

_____. Why do you want to join U.S.R.V.D.T.C.? _____

SPONSORS' SIGNATURES: You must be sponsored by two U.S.R.V.D.T.C. members.

(1) _____ (2) _____

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I hereby subscribe to the objects of the U.S.R.V.D.T.C. and am in good standing with the American Kennel Club.

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

If Family Membership, designate voters:

(1) _____ (2) _____

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Dues Submitted \$ _____

Treasurer's Initials _____

Date Read _____

Date Voted In _____