

# **The Northwestern Region Universal Sieger and Siegerin Regulations**

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This program has been designed to promote the German Shepherd Dog breeding in the United States of America and our Region addressing both physical qualities as well as character attributes as the foundation of the true German Shepherd Dog.

## **I. Participation Requirements**

- a. All German Shepherd Dogs owned by a resident of the Northwestern Region of USCA who are members in good standing of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America and are members of a Northwestern Region's full member USCA club are eligible to receive this title under the following conditions:
- b. The dog must be breed surveyed.
- c. The dog must be shown in the Northwestern Regional Conformation Show and Northwestern Regional IGP Championship in the same calendar year
- d. The dog must receive at least an "G" rating at the Northwestern Regional Conformation Show
- e. The dog must receive pronounced and at least a "G" rating at the Northwestern Regional IGP Championship.
- f. Dogs that have been sterilized after receiving a(n) KKL/angekört rating are not eligible.
- g. Dogs must be owned and in the possession of a Northwestern member for at least six months before the first regional event.
- h. Dogs must have a SchH3/IPO3/IGP3 and a(n) KKL/angekört rating to obtain the title of Universal Sieger/in
  1. In the event a participating dog is entered in the Regional IGP Championship, without a(n) KKL/angekört rating (breed survey) the dog must obtain a(n) KKL/angekört rating (breed survey) before or at the Regional Conformation Show. Breed ratings cannot be held over for a(n) KKL/angekört rating (breed survey) at a later date or time. Dogs must be shown in the Working Class of the Regional Conformation Show.
  2. In the event a dog is SchH2/IPO2/IGP2 at the time of registration for the Universal Sieger title, the dog must obtain the IGP3 title at or before the Regional IGP3 competition. Dogs must be shown in the IGP3 competition.

## **II. Registration**

a. Starting in 2020, all entries must be received by the Regional Breed Warden 10 days before the start date of the Northwestern Regional Conformation Show

b. A copy of the dog's registration papers, pedigree, breed survey report (KKL/angekört), score book, USCA membership card, and name of your Northwestern USCA Club affiliation is to be sent/given to our regional breed warden for recording purposes.

c. Owner/handler must note on entry form of hosting club of the intent to participate.

d. Hosting clubs for both events are to note those dogs that are participating for the Regional Universal Sieger Title in their event catalogs. Entry forms of hosting clubs must have an additional space for the Regional Universal Sieger entry.

## **III. Point System**

a. The dog receiving the lowest number of points combined in both events will be declared as the Northwestern Region Universal Sieger and Siegerin (year).

b. The following points will be awarded:

### I. Regional Conformation Show

1. Dogs are awarded points depending on their placing in the Working Classes.

2. The first place dog receives one (1) point. The dog in second place receives two (2) points, and so on until the last dog in the group of dogs declared for Universal Sieger/Siegerin.

3. In case both long stock coat and stock coat varieties are declaring for Universal Sieger/Siegerin they will be presented to the judge after the end of Working Classes and the attending conformation judge will decide on their placings.

### II. Regional IGP Championship

1. Dogs are awarded points depending on their placing at the Regional IGP Championship. The first place dog receives one (1) point. The dog in second place receives two (2) points, and so on until the last dog in the group of dogs declared for Universal Sieger/Siegerin.

c. The best possible score is two (2). First Place in the Regional Conformation Show combined with First Place in the Regional IGP Championship

d. In the event of several dogs achieving identical points (tie), the dog bred in the Region under United Schutzhund Clubs of

America regulations will be favored over any other dog. If there is still a tiebreaker necessary, then the points received from the performance in the Regional IGP Championship will dominate the other points.

#### **IV. Recognition**

- a. The Regional Universal Sieger and Regional Universal Siegerin will each receive a trophy at the last qualifying event. The cost of these trophies is the responsibility of the club hosting that event.
- b. An award certificate is to be given to the handler/owner or breeder of the winning dogs and to be signed by the attending Judge and Regional Breed Warden.
- c. The Regional Universal Sieger and Regional Universal Siegerin will each receive a perpetual trophy at the last qualifying event. These trophies will be returned each year by the year's previous winners and awarded to the new winners each year. Engraving the winners name on the perpetual trophies is the responsibility of the winners of these trophies.
- d. The cost of the perpetual trophies for the Universal Sieger/Siegerin is to be provided by the Northwestern Region. No additional entry fees are to be charged by hosting clubs for participation of the Regional Universal Sieger/Siegerin title.
- e. The Universal Sieger/Siegerin is to be noted on the Northwestern Regional website with a picture, the pedigree, name of owner and/or breeder with no charge to the owner/breeder. It is the responsibility of the owner/breeder to submit the information to the editor of the website.