



## THE REGIONAL CLUB CHALLENGE

The mission of the Regional Club Challenge is to recognize the activities of the GSDCA Regional Clubs and to foster growth through competition as well as the sharing of ideas and resources. In addition, the GSDCA Regional Club Challenge is meant to promote camaraderie among the individual members within the regional clubs associated with the GSDCA by encouraging competition with other clubs.

All GSDCA Regional Clubs who are in good standing (GSDCA yearly club dues have been paid) are encouraged to participate in the Challenge as well as all other activities proposed by the GSDCA Regional Club Committee.

The Regional Club Challenge will award points to the Regional Club whose members compete in a variety of activities ranging from titles and awards to member recruitment.

## COMPETITION YEAR

The GSDCA Regional Club competition year runs from July 1<sup>st</sup> thru June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. This will allow time for points to be compiled prior to the National. Regional clubs may receive credit for events or titles earned during that time.

Awards will be presented at the National to the BEST REGIONAL CLUB OF THE YEAR according to the size of club.

Small Club:	1 – 25 Members
Medium Club:	26 – 60 Members
Intermediate Club:	61 – 99 Members
Large Club:	99+ Members

## GETTING STARTED

Each GSDCA Regional Club Secretary must submit a roster of all dues paying members for their club as of June 30<sup>th</sup> each year (prior to the beginning of the competition year). Please also list any honorary, lifetime or non-dues paying members. Club size will be based only on dues paying members although all members (i.e., honorary and lifetime members who do not pay dues) may contribute to the points awarded each regional club.

## ELIGIBILITY

Anyone becoming a member of a regional club July 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup> of a Challenge year may have their awards and titles included in the regional clubs point total once they become a member, however, they will not be counted toward the club size until the following competition year. Awards received prior to

becoming a regional club member will not be counted. Regional club secretaries must submit membership updates to the committee so that the Regional club receives credit for new members joining their club.

### **HOW POINTS ARE AWARDED**

GSDCA Regional Club Challenge points will be awarded for titles that were earned in the United States. No titles earned outside the United States or from an organization other than the AKC, GSDCA-WDA or the GSDCA will be applicable to the Regional Club competition.

### **REQUESTING POINTS**

Individual members or the GSDCA Regional Club Secretary must use the Regional Club Challenge Award Form when requesting that Challenge points be awarded. Individual members who are requesting points must only designate one club to receive the points awarded. Individuals submitting a form for Challenge points earned must be a member of the GSDCA Regional Club named on the form they are submitting. Points will not be split between multiple clubs if a member belongs to more than one regional club. One form should be completed for each dog earning Challenge points for a club. Only German Shepherds are eligible to receive awards.

### **DOCUMENTATION OF AWARD/TITLE**

Please include a scanned copy or hard copy if available of one of the following along with the Regional Club Challenge Award form. If requesting points for multiple titles, awards or events, you may submit one Regional Club Challenge Award form as a summary.

1. AKC/GSDCA-WDA CERTIFICATE OF AWARD
2. NOTICE OF AWARD OR TITLE IN AKC, GSDCA-WDA OR GSDC PUBLICATION
3. MATCH FLYER
4. PREMIUM LIST
5. COPY OF CHECK (IF MAKING A DONATION TO THE GSDCA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION OR AGSRA)
6. FLYER OR ADVERTISEMENT FROM A PUBLIC EDUCATION EVENT

Note: Copies of all forms as well as the guidelines are available on [www.gsdca.org](http://www.gsdca.org)

Completed forms by individual club liaison will be submitted to:

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