

GERMAN SHEPHERD



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## PERFORMANCE AWARD OF MERIT (2022)

The Performance Award of Merit is given to dogs and handlers that are competing and earning titles in multiple events. Showing the incredible Versatility and Intelligence of the German Shepherd Dog in their ability to excel at high levels in all events.

To be eligible for this award a dog must have completed titles in three (3) different performance areas including Obedience or Rally, Herding, Agility, Tracking or AKC Scent Work, or GSDCA-WDA Working Dog Titles. One of these titles must be from The Most Advanced Level of training, the two additional performance titles can be at any level of training, but must come from two (2) different areas of performance (listed above). Because of the similarities in the exercises or training, Obedience and Rally are considered one performance event. A Rally title is NOT accepted as one of the most advanced level titles. All Herding classes are considered one performance event. Scent Work and Tracking are considered one performance event. All Agility classes are considered one performance event. Because of the similarities of the Schutzhund Tracking and Obedience to the AKC Tracking and Obedience, the lowest acceptable performance title for IPO (IGP) is IPO1 or IGP1. The Most Advanced Level is IPO3 or IGP3. The Highest level in AKC Scent Work will be Scent Work Excellent (SWE, all four titles) the lowest is Scent Work Novice (SWN, all four titles). The owner of the dog must be a GSDCA member in good standing (BEFORE) the requirements for this award are completed.

### Dog Information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

AKC# \_\_\_\_\_ (M) \_\_\_\_\_ (F) \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Breeder: \_\_\_\_\_

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_

Dam: \_\_\_\_\_

Qualifying Titles: Each of the three (3) titles must come from different performance areas.

Most Advanced Event \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ performance area \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Event (2<sup>nd</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ performance area \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Event (3<sup>rd</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ performance area \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a copy of the most current AKC certificate as it will include all previous titles and / or WDA score books for all qualifying titles. If the 3<sup>rd</sup> title is completed too late for the certificate to make the deadline please include the following information:  
Name and date of Show, Judges name and title completed.

Owners Name: \_\_\_\_\_ GSDCA Member Since \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ zip: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Send all information to the Performance Award of Merit Chairman:

Julie Degen, 10361 Heddings Rd, Catlett, VA 20119. Email: ejdegen@aol.com

This form must be completed and returned by July 31; of the year the title is awarded.

**optional information:**

**OFA Hips** \_\_\_\_\_ **OFA Elbows** \_\_\_\_\_ **Temperament Tested** \_\_\_\_\_