

ANATOLIAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF AMERICA **REGIONAL SPECIALTY & SUPPORTED ENTRY GUIDELINES**

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Background: The policy of the Anatolian Shepherd Dog Club of America (ASDCA) is to encourage Regional Specialties, Puppy Sweepstakes, and/or Supported Entries. These events will generally receive favorable approval from the ASDCA Board of Directors (BOD), in accordance with the following guidelines.

- 1) An ASDCA Regional Specialty must be requested a minimum eleven (11) months prior to the date of the American Kennel Club (AKC) dog show by the ASDCA club member who will serve as Show Chairman. The Show Chairman must request an ASDCA Regional Specialty Application from the ASDCA Secretary. Within 30 days of receiving the Regional Specialty Application, it must be returned to the ASDCA Secretary to obtain the ASDCA BOD's approval for the Regional Specialty. Approval for a Regional Specialty & Puppy Sweepstakes (if held) requires a simple majority of the BOD. Once approved by the BOD, the Secretary will notify the show chairman and authorize him or her to proceed.
- 2) The ASDCA Secretary will file the Regional Specialty Show Application with the AKC.
- 3) Whenever a Regional Specialty is held, the ASDCA BOD recommends a Puppy Sweepstakes and or Supported Entrees be held immediately prior to the event.
- 4) The Regional Specialty Show Chairman must be a full member in good standing
- 5) The Regional Specialty Show Chairman will provide show information / details to the Anatolian Times Editor as soon as possible, but not later than 6 months prior to the Regional Specialty. This information will include but is not limited to the date, time, location of the Regional Specialty and any other pertinent information such as a Puppy Sweepstakes, Banquet, and or a Supported Entry, for the AKC dog show the day prior or the following date of the Regional Specialty (assumes the AKC dog show consists of two AKC dog shows). The aforementioned information will be posted on the ASDCA Web Site; as soon as possible by the ASDCA Web Master. NOTE: In accordance with the current ASDCA policy, all information posted on the ASDCA web site must be approved by the ASDCA President or Secretary prior to posting.
- 6) The Show Chairman will submit a report to the ASDCA Secretary within 45 days after the Regional Specialty. This report will include a copy of the Premium List, a marked catalog (reflecting placements of Anatolian Shepherd dogs entered); pictures of the Puppy Sweepstakes winner and Opposite; Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Best of Winners, Winner's Dog and Winner's Bitch pictures; article for the Anatolian Times and financial accounting for funds received and expended.
- 7) No Regional Specialties will be held countrywide two (2) months prior to the ASDCA National Specialty.
- 8) A Judge's Seminar and/or Educational Seminar should be held in conjunction with the Regional Specialty where possible. The Judge's Seminar and Educational Seminar shall be coordinated with the ASDCA Judge's Education Coordinator at least six (6) months prior to the Regional
- 9) The ASDCA will provide up to \$400 in financial support for a Regional Specialty (Amount to be reviewed annually by the ASDCA BOD (11/10/11)). A financial report must be submitted with a request for reimbursement with the post Regional Specialty report. The remaining costs are the responsibility of the Show Chairman. All expenses for Regional Specialty requiring reimbursement must be approved by the Board.

- 10) The ASDCA Board will approve all Regional Specialty Conformation Judges. The Show Chairman shall coordinate with the host Kennel Club prior to requesting approval for the Regional Specialty from the ASDCA. The purpose of the coordination is to determine whether the kennel club will approve an ASDCA Regional Specialty in conjunction with their AKC dog show and to advise the host kennel club that the ASDCA Board must approve the Regional Specialty Judge. Tentative approval for the Regional Specialty from the host kennel club is acceptable. The Show Chairman will then request approval from the ASDCA for the Regional Specialty (and or Sweepstakes and Supported Entry). After approval is granted by the ASDCA, the Show Chairman will inform the host kennel club. The Show Chairman will then obtain the names of possible judges from the host kennel club and provide them to the ASDCA Secretary to obtain ASDCA BOD approval. In those instances where the Show Chairman is not able to determine the identity of the Regional Judge, the ASDCA may on a case by case basis wave the requirement for ASDCA BOD approval.
- 11) The ASDCA BOD shall approve all Puppy Sweepstake Judges. The name of the Puppy Sweepstakes Judge shall be provided to the ASDCA Secretary as soon as the Show Chairman identifies him or her, but not later than six months prior to the event.
- 12) All income received to support the Regional Specialty, Puppy Sweepstakes, Supported Entry and other Regional Specialty events shall be itemized in a report sent to the ASDCA Treasurer. All incoming funds shall be made out to the "ASDCA" and forwarded to the ASDCA Treasurer.
- 13) Any funds raised during an ASDCA Regional Specialty, to include but not limited to raffles, auction and/or donations, shall be provided to the ASDCA Treasurer. The recipient(s) of the funds raised such as a charity shall be approved by the ASDCA Board.
- 14) All sponsors of a Regional Specialty, other than ASDCA full members, shall be approved by the ASDCA Board.
- 15) Classes to be offered at a Regional Specialty shall follow the same guidelines outlined in the ASDCA National Specialty Guidelines.
- 16) Copies of all documents generated by the Regional Specialty (such as but not limited to Judge's Contracts, AKC paperwork, etc.) shall be provided to the ASDCA Secretary within 45 days of the completion of the Regional Specialty.
- 17) All events held in conjunction with the ASDCA Regional Specialty such as a Supported Entry, Puppy Sweepstakes, banquet, fund raiser, party, etc, that have in any form been advertised with the Regional Specialty are considered part of the ASDCA Regional Specialty event.
- 18) A Supported Entry held independent of a Regional Specialty requires ASDCA BOD approval. Effective 7/16/16, the ASDCA will reimburse up to \$100/Supported Entry for the expenses directly associated with hosting Supported Entries. Requests to hold a Supported Entry must be sent to the ASDCA Secretary nine months prior to the show. Supported Entry sponsors must be full members in good standing of the ASDCA. Supported Entry sponsors shall send the information with regards to the Supported Entry such as date, place and trophies to the ASDCA Anatolian Times Editor as well as the ASDCA Web Master at least six months prior to the Supported Entry Show. It is encouraged that the Supported Entry Sponsor send at a minimum the pictures of the Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Best of Winners, Winner's Dog and Winner's Bitch to the Anatolian Times Editor as well as any other pictures or stories from the Supported Entry.

