

# ADBA INCIDENT REPORT

The American Dog Breeders Assoc. has a **ZERO TOLERANCE BITE POLICY** at any event held by ADBA sanctioned clubs. This policy covers ANY attempted bite/bite that occurs at our events, whether it is from human aggression, fear, excitement, redirection, etc. That being said, we also realize that the Top Dog event is very different from a conformation or weight pulling event, as the Top Dog events bring out the prey drive in a dog. However, even under demanding circumstances, the dog needs to be totally trustworthy and temperamentally sound.

If you have any questions during your event, please contact Heather 801-628-0968.

## **MANDATORY STEPS FOR THE CLUB TO FOLLOW WHEN AN INCIDENT OCCURS**

***\*\*If an incident occurs - whether it happens in conformation, wt. pull, or Top Dog - the dog must immediately stop competing in the event it is currently in and is suspended from participating in the rest of the day/weekend competition. The dog is to be put away and removed, if possible, from the grounds. No points will be earned (if the incident occurred prior to completion of the event/class); no refunds will be given. The dog in question will remain on suspension and may not participate in any ADBA event until the ADBA board members have reviewed the incident report and witness statements. The owner/handler of the dog will acknowledge that an incident occurred by completing their own statement and signing below.\*\****

*A Judge/Club Executive/Ring Steward/Club Security is directed to complete this incident form, in great detail, of what occurred. (It's important to include as much information as possible regarding the incident as an investigation by the ADBA board will take place.) The owner/handler of the dog and any witness(es) will also need to complete a separate statement, in detail, and signed by them, to verify the statement they are making is true and correct to their knowledge.*

*The incident report and any owner/witness statement(s) must be sent to heather@adba.cc upon completion of the show as well as hard copies sent with the judges' books within 10 working days of the show. The ADBA may contact the club/witnesses if further information is required. Upon review, the ADBA will contact the owner of the dog (as listed in the ADBA files) directly to notify them of their decision: if the dog will be allowed to continue competing in ADBA events or if the dog will be banned from participation.*

## **OWNER/HANDLER/WITNESS/CLUB/JUDGES STATEMENT**

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(Please use the back of this sheet if more room is needed)

I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_, verify the above information to be a true and correct statement of the attempted bite/bite that I witnessed at an event held by (club name) \_\_\_\_\_

on (date) \_\_\_\_\_ . Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_