

USA UNIVERSAL SIEGER REGULATIONS

This program has been designed to promote the German Shepherd Dog breeding in the United States of America, addressing both physical qualities as well as character attributes as the foundation of the true German Shepherd Dog. These regulations have been submitted by the 1998 Breed Advisory Committee and have been approved on May 6, 1998 by the Executive Board at the meeting in Bangor, Maine.

1. Beginning with the year 1998, the United Schutzhund Clubs of America will recognize and award a "USA Universal Sieger (year)" as a title for German Shepherd Dogs.
2. All German Shepherd Dogs owned by a resident of the United States of America who are members in good standing of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America are eligible to receive this title under the following conditions:
 - The dog must be breed surveyed and receive at least the KKL2 rating.
 - The dog must be shown in the USA Sieger Show and USA GSD National Championship in the same year.
 - The dog must be pronounced and at least SG at the USA Sieger Show.
 - The dog must be pronounced and at least G at the USA-GSD National Championship.
3. The dog receiving the highest number of points combined in both events will be declared as the USA Universal Sieger (year). A minimum of 20 points is necessary.
4. Beginning with the year 2006, dogs bred in the USA under the breeding regulations of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America will receive an additional five points.
5. The following points will be awarded:

Points	Sieger Show	GSD National Championship
25	Sieger – Working Dog Classes	National Champion
20	VA – Working Dog Classes	V
15	V – Working Dog Classes	SG
10	SG – Any Class	G

6. In the event of several dogs achieving identical points (tie), the dog bred in the USA 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 GSD National Championship will dominate the other points.
7. The Universal Sieger (year) is an important title for our breeding goals and will therefore be recognized within the first two generations in the pedigrees of any progeny bred under the breeding rules of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America.
8. The Universal Sieger will be recognized on the front cover of the USA magazine within the following year of winning the award.
9. The person handling the Universal Sieger in the GSD National Championship event will receive a trophy award immediately following the declaration.
10. The breeder and or the owner of the Universal Sieger will receive at the following Sieger Show banquet an award certificate.

REVISION HISTORY:

- 05/06/98 Universal Sieger Regulations approved.
- 11/03/05 Beginning with the year 2006, dogs bred in the U.S. competing for the Universal Sieger title will receive an additional five points. (USA-bred dogs were previously awarded five points for each event.)
- 11/03/05 The dog must be pronounced and at least SG at the Sieger Show.
- 11/03/05 The dog must be pronounced and at least G at the GSD National Championship.