

May 31, 2018

**STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF HAL LYMUS, PNW RD  
REGARDING SCHEDULING OF PNW REGIONAL ACTIVITIES**

My name is Hal Lymus and I am the PNW Regional Director. Today I was made aware of charges being brought against me and the PNW region regarding scheduling of PNW activities by Nia Cottrell of the Cascade Schutzhund Verein of the USCA's Mid East Region.

From my understanding this charge was brought forward because I approved a USCA sanctioned trial by the Summit WDA who is a member club of the PNW region. I believe I have the right to approve any sanctioned event within my region in the best interest of my members and member clubs if they are not in conflict with the annual USCA IPO 3 Championship according to USCA Rules and Regulations, I, GENERAL TRIAL RULES, Pg. 32, A, SCHEDULING AND AUTHORIZATION, Para. 3, ***"No USCA club shall schedule a trial or breed event on the same date as the USCA IPO3 GSD National Championship. In addition, no trial authorizations will be issued for trials which occur on the same date as the national event in that region"***.

PNW region does not have a rule in our guidelines that prohibits multiple clubs from hosting a trial or an event on the same weekend. Since there is no rule against it, I have not broken any PNW region rules or any USCA Rules and Regulations by approving the trial for Summit WDA.

Also it should be noted that Cascade Schutzhund Verein did not notify me within ten days of their approval for their trial scheduled for October 13 to 14, 2018, that was approved by MER RD Scarberry. Per EB #07-15 subsection 6.3 the club had ten days to notify me of their approved EAF.

I am therefore submitting this statement in support of my action by approving a sanctioned trial within my jurisdiction. Please feel free to contact me if there are any questions you need answered.

Yours in Sport

Hal Lymus, PNW, RD