

2024 RH National Championship Bid



The members of Wild West Working Dogs of El Paso, Texas, are excited to submit a bid to host the 2024 USCA RH National Championship event in El Paso, Texas.

Location & Club	El Paso, TX, Wild West Working Dogs,
Judge:	FCI/IRO or SV Judge TBD
Proposed Dates:	November 7 - 10, 2024
Closest Airport:	El Paso International Airport
Weather:	68° / 40° Dry
Hotel & Lodging	Hyatt Place El Paso, Airport, 6030 Gtwy Blvd E, El Paso, TX 79905 El Paso Roadrunner RV Park, 1212 Lafayette Dr, El Paso, TX 79907 Camping, Hueco Tanks 6900 Hueco Tanks Road No. 1, El Paso, TX 79938
Offering	Area Search: Desert Area Tracking: Plowed Dirt Mantrailing: Suburban Rubble: Pending Partnership with El Paso Fire Department.



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Judging Expertise:

Wild West Working Dogs will collaborate with an FCI/IRO or SV judge to bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to ensure fair and challenging competition. We are preparing to accommodate two judges if we exceed 20 entries. Based on past participation in our club trials, we expect to accommodate multiple out-of-area and club teams that could exceed the entry numbers from the 2023 RH Nationals.

Event Disciplines:

This area of the South Central Region has the resources to support area search, tracking, man-trailing, and a tentative addition of rubble. The rubble search is subject to a partnership with the El Paso Fire Department. A unique collaboration within the El Paso community and an opportunity for positive public exposure of USCA's RH program.

The area search will utilize the desert environment. We currently offer 37 acres of land and are negotiating to secure additional acreage. Tracking will take place on plowed dirt. WWWD has a partnership with the El Paso Water District to access 10 acres of land with the possibility of more should entries require it. The obedience and dexterity location will be at a local park to ensure the size of field requirements are met. We utilized Hidden Valley Park for the 2022 South Central Regional Conformation Show. We have a good rapport with the City of El Paso to secure the same park or one with similar specs to ensure the park exceeds the minimum requirements per the USCA and IRO rule books.

Equipment

Wild West Working Dogs has all the equipment for the Obedience and Dexterity portions of the various RH titles.

Past Hosting Experience:

Wild West Working Dogs proudly hosted the 2022 South Central conformation show, multiple club-level trials, and a club-level conformation show. These events have solidified our commitment to promoting the RH program and expanding its reach across USCA.

Trial	Total Number of Entries
2023 RH Club	12 Entries
2022 RH Club	13 Entries
2022 SC Reg Show	55 Entries
2021 RH / IGP Club	23 Entries
2019 RH	7 Entries
2018 RH	9 Entries
2017 RH / IPO	21 Entries

Lodging:

Wild West Working Dogs is working with Hyatt to secure a group rate to help cut costs for participants needing lodging. For competitors who like to travel using their camping and RV units, El Paso has several locations available within 15 minutes from the club venue.

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Accessibility:

El Paso's accessibility, with a well-connected airport and major highways, facilitates ease of travel for participants and attendees. This accessibility provides an excellent opportunity for widespread participation, making it a convenient choice for a national championship event.

Dog and Handler Safety

Wild West Working Dogs is dedicated to ensuring safety during the championship. Protecting handlers and dogs from potential dangers like cacti, snakes, and dehydration is critical. To enhance safety, all handlers will receive encouragement to equip dogs with protective boots, which will be available on the day of the trial. Additionally, participants can use several vendors to order boots before the championship. Wild West Workings Dogs is working toward collaborating with a vendor to secure a group discount code. For a convenient and affordable option, Amazon is also recommended as a reliable resource for finding suitable canine footwear.



Wild West Working Dogs Secretary has received a certificate in first aid for animals and people to further enhance animal and handler welfare. WWWD is working toward a collaboration with a veterinary clinic to have vet staff available during the national event. There will be water stations on-site to encourage everyone to remain hydrated. WWWD prioritizes safety with respect to border region events and has selected a location that is historically free of any incidents. Wild West Working Dogs will provide a safety brief during the draw to promote awareness of the terrain and to remain safe while working their dog in the desert.

Cultural Richness:

El Paso's vibrant cultural scene and warm hospitality provide an inviting atmosphere for participants, ensuring a positive experience beyond the competition. Competitors and attendees can explore the city's rich history, enjoy diverse cuisine, and engage with the local community.

Dedication to RH Program Expansion:

Wild West Working Dogs members believe El Paso's unique blend of culture and landscapes will provide an exceptional backdrop for the 2024 USCA RH National Championship. We are confident that our experienced team, committed to promoting the sport's participation and development, can deliver an outstanding and memorable event.

Thank you for considering Wild West Working Dogs as the 2024 USCA RH National Championship host. We look forward to the opportunity to contribute to the success of this prestigious event. Please forward any questions or concerns to almiles025@gmail.com or WildWestWorkingDogs@gmail.com

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