

USCA BREEDERS CUP AWARD PROGRAM

This program is designed to encourage German Shepherd Dog breeders in the United States of America to follow the breeding regulations of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America for the German Shepherd Dog as a working dog balanced in character attributes and physical qualities.

Every year, the United Schutzhund Clubs of America will recognize and award the first three most successful breeders of German Shepherd Dogs of each of the tiers of breeder levels listed below.

There will be two different annual awards breeders can apply for, based on their preference. There will be a "USCA Performance Breeders Cup" award (geared toward working line breeders) and a "USCA a Breeding Evaluation Breeders Cup" award (geared toward for showline breeders). A breeder can apply for both awards each year.

For each award there will be 3 breeder levels and there will be annual, 1st to 3rd place awards for each level.

Tier 1 Level Breeder Award will include breeders producing only 1-2 litters per year.

Tier 2 Level Breeder Award will include breeders producing 3-5 litters per year.

Tier 3 Level Breeder Award will include breeders producing 6+ litters per year.

All breeders of German Shepherd Dogs, which are residents of the United States of America and are members in good standing with the United Schutzhund Clubs of America are eligible to participate under the following conditions:

1. The awards are based off the calendar year. Titles and ratings achieved in a calendar year will be used to apply for that calendar year's awards and the recipients will be awarded the following calendar year after the office has processed and verified the applications.
2. Breeders need to submit their applications and supporting documentation to the USCA office no later than January 30th of each year.
3. The breeder is responsible for applying for the awards each year and for providing the USCA office with supporting documentation.
4. The dogs must be bred by the same person under the same USCA-registered kennel name.
5. Only dogs that achieve titles, ratings, and breed surveys, either with the United Schutzhund Clubs of America or the SV in Germany can be recognized.
6. Only dogs which have been registered as complete litter registrations under the breeding regulations of the United Schutzhund Clubs of America can be recognized.
7. The three (3) breeders in each level and each award type, earning the highest number of points of the current year will receive the "USCA Performance Breeders Cup" award or the "USCA Breeding Evaluation Breeders Cup" award.

The following points will be awarded for the USCA Performance Breeders Cup Award. Only one of each title level can be claimed per dog, per the year the title is earned. (I.E., multiple IGP 3's in the same year can only claim one IGP 3).

USCA National Champion = 15 pts

USCA Universal Sieger or Siegerin = 12 pts

USCA Regional Champion = 12 pts

USCA Regional Universal Sieger or Siegerin = 10 pts

USP 3 = 10 pts

USP 2 = 8 pts

USP 1 = 6 pts

IGP 3 = 6 pts

IGP 2 = 4 pts

IGP 1 = 2 pts

IGP-FH = 10 pts

FH 2 = 7 pts

FH 1 = 4 pts

BH = 1 pt

The following points will be awarded for the USCA Breeding Evaluation Breeders Cup Award. Only one breeding evaluation rating can be claimed per dog, per year earned.

USCA Sieger or Siegerin = 15 pts

USCA Universal Sieger or Siegerin = 12 pts

USCA Regional Sieger or Siegerin = 12 pts

USCA Universal Regional Sieger or Siegerin = 10 pts

VA = 10 pts

V-1 = 8 pts

V = 6 pts

SG-1 = 5 pts

SG = 4 pts

G = 2 pts

USCA Breed Survey = 20 points

SV Breed Survey = 15 points

Performance Award at USC Sieger Show = 10 pts

AD = 1 pt

WB = 1 pt

The winners of the two types of Breeders Cup awards will be announced in the USCA magazine at the March/April issue yearly and the recap printed issue at year end each year.

The recipients of the USCA Performance Breeders Cup Award will receive their awards at USCA National Championships. The recipients of the USCA Breeding Evaluation Breeders Cup Award will receive their awards at USCA Sieger Show (odd years). If any of these Championships are cancelled, awards will be mailed by the USCA office.