



# NODC HOUSE RULES

*Every Club requires its members to observe certain rules. Ours are not demanding and are based on common sense and courtesy.*

1. No food is to be given to any dog on the training ground outside class. Members are permitted to use food in class if they have been trained and authorised.
2. No halties, spiked collars, electronic collars or collars which give additional head control are permitted. Harnesses are only permitted if authorised by a Training Co-ordinator.
3. Dogs are not permitted on the ground without being ON LEAD, except when a class doing advanced exercises is working.
4. Members are expected to carry poo bags. Should a member's dog foul the ground, the member is responsible for cleaning up. Refusal could result in the member being asked to leave the ground. A member should exercise their dog prior to arriving at the ground.
5. Bitches in season and sick or injured dogs are not allowed on or near the ground.
6. Dogs must not be left tied to posts, trees or cars unless someone is in attendance to supervise, including ensuring dogs are not barking incessantly. The maximum length of the tether should not be more than 2 metres. No one should approach a tethered or caged dog, either with or without a member's own dog.
7. Members must keep a close watch on their dog when near other dogs to prevent aggression either to or by their dog. The member alone is responsible and should immediately move away from the other dog and handler.
8. Parents or guardians are responsible for the conduct and supervision of their children on the training grounds. For safety reasons prams, baby carriers or baby slings are not permitted in class.
9. Only current financial members are permitted to attend training classes. Only dogs that are on the club register are permitted to enter classes or the ring.
10. Members are expected to be in class by the starting time. Should you be delayed, wait until a halt occurs, apologize for your lateness and ask to join the class.
11. Members are required to wear their name tags at all times in class. Members not wearing their name tag will not be permitted to enter the class. If lost, replacement name tags are available from the office and a fee may be charged. If members are training multiple dogs in the same class, the member is required to wear multiple name tags.
12. Chatting to each other and inattentiveness in class is rude and disruptive, and will not be tolerated. Members can't expect their instructor to compete with chatter or repeat an exercise because those members were not paying attention.
13. The class fee is included in the annual membership fee for new and renewing members. Current committee members, instructors and volunteer helpers at the front desk are exempt from paying an annual class fee.
14. If members carry a mobile phone, please have it on silent and step out of class to use it.
15. All jumping of dogs over obstacles must be supervised by an instructor.
16. Training will be cancelled if the predicted temperature is 35°C or greater, as forecast by the Bureau of Meteorology on the day of training.
17. The club takes a zero tolerance towards swearing, verbal aggression and violence. Offending members will be dealt with in accordance with Division 2 of the Clubs Rules - Disciplinary Action.
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