

The German Shepherd Dog Association of W.A. (Inc.) Point Score Rules for the 2025 competition year



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POINT SCORE RULES FOR 2025

Definitions as per DogsWest (the Canine Association of W.A. (Inc.)) regulations

Specialist judging

- A Where a specialist in the breed is appointed to judge that breed
- B Each dog is subject to an individual critique and gaiting when considered necessary
- C Measurements being taken and any other actions which are departures from the normal and additional time is taken

It is necessary for the association secretary to apply for permission for specialist judging when the foregoing is a feature of that judging. There is not a specific regulation which stipulates the manner in which dogs are judged but it is a G.S.D.C.A. requirement that where judging procedures other than the normal are to be followed. G.S.D.C.A. approval is necessary.

BEST OF BREED & RUNNER-UP BEST OF BREED

Judge Best of Breed by bringing together the Challenge winning dog & bitch

Judge the Runner-Up Best of Breed by bringing the Challenge winner unplaced in the Best of Breed competition and the exhibit awarded the Reserve Challenge to the Best of Breed

SANCTIONED SHOW

Means a Championship Show, Open Show, Parade or Competition held with the sanction of this Association (DogsWest) and under the Constitution and regulations laid down by it.

CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Definition as A2 Canine Regulation – “A sanctioned event at which challenge points are awarded to the Best Dog and Bitch: As defined by Canine Regulations CT (a) – (e)

AGE CLASSIFICATIONS AS PER A.N.K.C. REGULATION C3

The age of all dogs is calculated in calendar months to the first day of the Sanctioned Show

<u>Baby Puppy</u>	3 months & under	6 months	<u>Junior</u>	9 months and & under 18
<u>Minor Puppy</u>	6 months & under	9 months	<u>Intermediate</u>	18 months & under 36 months
<u>Puppy</u>	9 months & under	12 months	<u>Open</u>	6 months & over

OPEN SHOW

A Sanctioned event at which challenge points are not awarded and Champions are permitted to compete and may only be judged by Trainee Judges.

MEMBERS' COMPETITIONS

Members' Competitions are conducted and judged in accordance with the regulations currently in force for the conduct of sanctioned shows, trials and tests. This regulation requires that the same conditions apply as those applicable to a show or trial, including

The exhibit, which has accumulated the most points, will be awarded the Top Show Dog Trophy and the second highest scoring exhibit will be awarded the Runner-Up Top Show Dog Trophy. In the event of a tie for the Top Show Dog Trophies no runner-up will be awarded for that year.

Points are allocated on the following basis:

Points for Open Shows

where notification of a point score has been given & a Specialist Trainee Judge is officiating

Best in Show 3 points Runner-Up in Show 2 points

Points for Championship Shows

where notification of a point score has been given & a Specialist Championship Judge is officiating

Best in Show 6 points Runner-Up in Show 4 points

Points for the State Breed Exhibition

Judged by Senior Specialist Judges – the exhibits must be Breed Survey Class 1, have the A & Z stamps and are considered to be of genetic value.

1st Open Dog 7 points 1st Open Bitch 7 points

Points for Members' Competitions

where notification of a point score has been given & a Specialist Breed or Trainee Breed Judge is officiating:

Specialist Breed Judge

Best Dog & Bitch—Long Stock Coat and Stock Coat varieties 4 points

Trainee Breed Judge

Best Dog & Bitch—Long Stock Coat and Stock Coat varieties 2 points

Best W.A. Bred Dog of the Year:

These two trophies are awarded to the dog or bitch -for Long Stock Coat and Stock Coat varieties - which has consistently placed and has accumulated the most points at point score shows (as listed on the previous pages) during the year, regardless of age group.

Most Consistent Show Dog of the Year:

These two trophies are awarded to the dog or bitch -for Long Stock Coat and Stock Coat varieties - which has most consistently won its age (inter-sex) competition at point score shows during the year. Each class winner at the State Breed Exhibition and Members' Competitions receives a point towards this trophy because there we do not hold inter-sex competitions at these events.

Points for the Members' Competitions

Where notification of a point score has been given and a Specialist Breed or Trainee Breed Judge is officiating

Specialist Breed Judges

1st place 6 points 2nd place 4 points 3rd place 2 points

** an extra point is awarded for the best in each age class

Trainee Breed Judges

1st place 3 points 2nd Place 2 points 3rd place 1 point



PERPETUAL TROPHIES

are awarded in the following categories for both coat varieties:

Long Stock Coats and Stock Coats.

Top Show Dog of the Year, Runner-Up Top Show Dog of the Year, Best W.A. Bred Dog of the Year, Most Consistent Show Dog of the Year .

ALLOCATION OF POINTS FOR THE PERPETUAL TROPHIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Top Show & Runner-Up Top Show Dog of the Year for both Coat Varieties: Long Stock Coats and Stock Coats

Points are awarded for these four trophies based on:

The Best of Breed and Runner-up Best of Breed at Championship Point Score shows.

Best Bitch and Dog at Members' Competitions.

Best In Show at Open Shows with a Specialist Trainee Judge and

1st place Open Dog and 1st Place Open Bitch for Long Stock Coats and Stock Coats varieties at the State Breed Exhibition.

the submission of a schedule and Chief Steward's report to the Association (C.A.W.A.) and that a judge be qualified in terms of Section "F" of the regulations.

The G.S.D.A. of W.A.'s Show Calendar is made up of:

Championship shows: Where a Specialist Judges is judging in a specialist manner.

These Shows will be point scores when advertised in any of the following:

The G.S.D.A. of W.A. Shepherd News

The Canine News of W.A.

Direct Mail

Email from the G.S.D.A. of W.A.

Email in an information update

On the G.S.D.A. of W.A.'s Facebook page and website.

Open Shows: (a) Where a Trainee Breed Specialist Judge is judging these shows will be a point score show

Open Shows: (b) Where a non-specialist judge is appointed – these shows will not be counted as a point score show for age class points. However all animals exhibited will be awarded 1 point towards the end of the year annual age class trophies (e.g. baby, minor, puppy, junior, intermediate, open).

State Breed Exhibition: This event is a point score as it is judged in the specialist manner by Specialist Judges. Full details of this event are published in the G.S.D.A. of W.A. Shepherd News, Information updates and on the Association's Facebook page and website.

Age classes as per the G.S.D.C.A. rules.

There is NO interclass or inter-sex competition.

Members' Competitions: These events are to be run along the same lines as a sanctioned show.

These shows will be judged in accordance with DogsWest regulations and any special conditions will be listed in the schedule. The judges may be Specialist Breed (qualified) or Trainee Breed (aspiring). These may be advertised in the manner listed above, except for the Canine News. There is no interclass or inter-sex competition.

MEMBERSHIP:

To gain points allocated at the G.S.D.A. of W.A. Point Score Shows, the owners **MUST** be financial members of the G.S.D.A. of W.A. (Inc.) at the **closing date of entries** for that particular show. Where an animal is transferred between members of the G.S.D.A. of W.A. the points accumulated by the animal remain with the animal and count towards the end of the year trophies.

EXCELLENT MEDALLIONS:

May be awarded at the judge's discretion to Open Dogs and Bitches at point score shows where a Championship Specialist judge is officiating. Only exhibits which have been breed surveyed and are owned by financial members of the G.S.D.A. of W.A. or any affiliate club of the G.S.D.C.A. at the close of entries are entitled to receive a medallion.

SHOW CHAMPIONS:

Dogs and Bitches which attain an Australian Champion or Grand Champion title are awarded a trophy in honour of these achievements. Notification of these titles are to be forwarded to the Show Committee to allow confirmation with DogsWest. This award is only given to animals owned by financial members of the G.S.D.A. of W.A. These trophies are awarded at the Annual Presentation Day in December of each year.

CHILD HANDLERS:

To encourage the young members of the Association to participate in events, child handler classes are held during Championship Shows, State Breed Exhibitions, Open Shows and Members' Competitions. Points are accumulated over the year and trophies in the following age groups are awarded at the Annual Presentation Day in December each year. To be eligible for these trophies the child must be covered under the "TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP" as listed in the Domestic Rule D 11

During the competition year Youth handlers must have competed in 3 events at our conformation events to be eligible for these awards.

To allow for varying birthdates, children will be eligible to compete in the same class for the entire year. For example a child that turns 12 during the year is able to compete in the junior class for the whole year and a child that turns 18 mid year would be eligible to compete as a senior for the remainder of the year.

BEST JUNIOR HANDLER: 7 years and 1 day - under 10 years

BEST INTERMEDIATE HANDLER: 10 years and 1 day—under 13 years

BEST SENIOR HANDLER: 13 years and 1 day - under 18 years

Points will be allocated on a 3, 2,1 basis e.g.

First place 3 points, Second place 2 points Third place 1 point.

All three overall winners will each receive a trophy & a voucher to the value of \$50.00



The German Shepherd Dog Association of W.A. (Inc.) Annual and Perpetual Show Trophies

The association awards Annual and Perpetual show trophies to the best animals exhibited in a single year in the conformation show ring. The awarding of these trophies is based on a scoring system for competition in advertised/specified point score shows where Breed or Specialist Breed judges or trainee judges are officiating. The trophies are awarded at the Annual Presentation Day in December of each year.

ANNUAL TROPHIES: are awarded in the following categories

Best Baby Dog	Best Baby Bitch
Best Minor Dog	Best Minor Bitch
Best Puppy Dog	Best Puppy Bitch
Best Junior Dog	Best Junior Bitch
Best Intermediate Dog	Best Intermediate Bitch
Best Open Dog	Best Open Bitch

ALLOCATION OF POINTS FOR THE ANNUAL TROPHIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

These points are awarded for each age class (points are not carried over to the next age class, as the animal matures) Any dog that is entered in more than one age group will only receive points for the youngest age group in which it is eligible to compete. Where there is a tie then a count-back will occur to determine the winner within that age class. This will be based on the first instance: *where the tied animals have competed against each other* which one has been placed higher OR *when this has not occurred* - based on the number of highest places.

Points for Open Shows

Where a non-specialist judge is appointed – these shows will not be counted as a point score in terms of class placing as noted below: However all animals exhibited will be awarded 1 (one) point towards the end of the year annual age class trophies (e.g. baby, minor, puppy, junior, intermediate and open)

Where notification of a point score show has been given and a Specialist Trainee Judge is officiating:

1st place 3 points 2nd Place 2 points 3rd place 1 point

** an extra point is awarded for the best in each age class

Points for Championship Shows

Where notification of a point score has been given and a Specialist Championship judge is officiating

1st place 6 points 2nd place 4 points 3rd place 2 points

** an extra point is awarded for the best in each age class

Points for the State Breed Exhibition

These points are allocated to each class, dog and bitch except for the Open Class which receives a different number of points. Because there is no interclass or inter-sex competition for each age group, an extra point has been allocated to both the first place dog and bitch

Baby – Intermediate

1st place 7 points 2nd place 4 points 3rd place 2 points

Open class

1st place 7 points 2nd place 6 points 3rd place 5 points