

STANDARD OF CONDUCT

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1. Participants in NEBCA events are expected to show a positive, polite, and respectful attitude for all people and animals involved. To behave otherwise undermines and diminishes the sport.
2. Therefore, NEBCA will not tolerate conduct that is detrimental to the organization, the competition, the dogs, the livestock, spectators, observers, or any participant, at any time, at the site of a trial or at any event associated with NEBCA. Such conduct includes, but is not limited to:
 - a) harassment or belittling of the judge, trial officials, participants, workers, or spectators;
 - b) physical violence or the threat of physical violence toward any person or any animal;
 - c) fighting;
 - d) verbal abuse directed toward anyone;
 - e) attempting to fix, bribe, influence, intimidate or argue with the judge, trial secretary, timekeeper, course director, or any other trial official;
 - f) tampering with competition livestock or dogs.
3. If misconduct is observed, a formal complaint may be filed with the President for action by the Board of Directors.
4. Whether or not a formal complaint is filed, event hosts, property owners, and/or trial judges may take immediate action for observed misconduct. These actions could include, but are not limited to: a verbal warning; immediate disqualification for one or more runs; or banning the participant from the property or event.