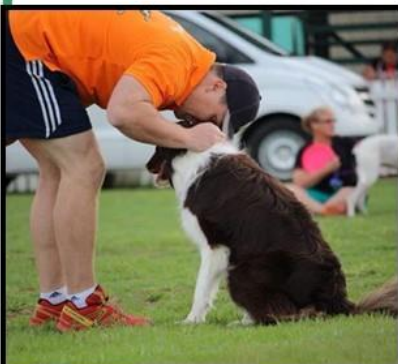




## ANKC/CDA Canine Disc Agreement

[www.caninediscaustralia.com](http://www.caninediscaustralia.com)



**AGREEMENT AND STATEMENT OF INTENT AS BETWEEN THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL KENNEL COUNCIL LTD (ANKC), AND CANINE DISC AUSTRALIA LTD (CDA) REGARDING THE MUTUAL DEVELOPMENT OF CANINE DISC WITHIN AUSTRALIA.**

As both the ANKC and CDA are interested in the ongoing development of the sport of Canine Disc in Australia, and both wish to do so in a co-operative and mutually supportive manner, the following sets out the general agreement on how this is to proceed.

**PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT**

The parties to this agreement are the ANKC Ltd t/as Dogs Australia and the CDA.

This Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties for the term of this Agreement including any extended term.

**OBJECTIVES**

The ANKC and CDA agree to work together using their best endeavours to achieve an outcome that ensures that Canine Disc Sports and events held within Australia are conducted under a common set of rules and policies, to the mutual benefit of both parties. The ANKC and CDA agree that Canine Disc events are to be held under the auspices of CDA, and that the current CDA Rules and Policies be adopted.

**CANINE DISC EVENTS**

Canine Disc events will be held under the auspices of CDA. Any affiliate of an ANKC Member Body (MB) that wishes to hold a Canine Disc event will be permitted to become an affiliate of CDA to enable the affiliate to conduct CDA sanctioned events providing that they meet CDA requirements for club affiliation. Such events will be conducted under CDA Rules and Policies.

MB members who wish to participate in CDA sanctioned events will be required to become CDA members prior to participating and in doing so, agree to comply with CDA Rules, Regulations and Policies.

**EVENT DATES**

CDA list all scheduled Canine Disc event dates available on their website when approved & sanctioned. Member Bodies (MB) may also publish these event dates for the benefit of members if they wish.

## **QUALIFYING CERTIFICATES AND TITLES**

CDA qualifying certificates are issued at CDA sanctioned events where the minimum criteria are met as per the CDA Rules. CDA Qualifying Certificates may be used towards applying for CDA Titles. Certificates may be issued in electronic form (where permitted). Any titles issued by the CDA will be recognised by the ANKC provided that the person applying for the ANKC title is a financial member of the MB and the dog gaining the title was registered with the ANKC at the time when the qualifying certificates were issued and also when the title was issued by CDA.

## **JUDGES**

All judges are to be approved by CDA, having been accredited by completing the CDA judges training program. Accredited judges shall be listed on CDA's website. Should changes be made to this training program, CDA is to notify the ANKC administrator. A copy of the judges training program guidelines will be made available on the CDA website. The ANKC is not required to provide a judges training program, nor are they required to provide judges for any CDA event.

## **RULE BOOK**

The ANKC may publish on its website, an ANKC/Dogs Australia branded version of the CDA rule book that contains the common Rules and Policies of CDA. CDA will provide the ANKC administrator with the most recent rule book and notify the ANKC administrator of any updates made to the common Rules and Policies of CDA for the duration of this agreement together with a copy of the correct version. To eliminate confusion, the Rule Book currently published on CDA's Website shall prevail in the case of any discrepancy.

## **PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE**

CDA will ensure that their members are covered by their insurance and/or affiliated Club insurance when participating in CDA sanctioned events.

## **AGGRESSIVE DOGS AT CDA EVENTS**

Where there is an alleged aggressive dog incident at a CDA event or competition, reporting of Aggressive Dog/s must be in accordance with CDA's Constitution and Rules. This includes:

- Immediate investigation of the alleged aggressive dog incident.
- Immediate suspension from participation in CDA events by a dog whilst under investigation.
- Appropriate penalties for dogs and owners (if applicable) following a finding of (unprovoked?) dog aggression.

Where it is determined that an aggressive dog incident has occurred and the dog is suspended by CDA, this is to be published and shall include sufficient details to enable the identification of the dog and the period of suspension.

It is the sole responsibility of the MB to decide if any action is to be instituted regarding the dog's involvement in MB activities during the period of the ban or suspension.

#### **AGGRESSIVE DOGS SUSPENDED BY THE MB**

Where the ANKC receives a report of a dog who has been suspended by the MB as a result of an aggressive dog incident, this is to be published and shall include sufficient details to enable the identification of the dog and the period of suspension.

It is the sole responsibility of CDA to decide if any action is to be instituted regarding the dog's involvement in CDA activities during the period of the suspension.

#### **MISCONDUCT BY A PERSON WHO IS A MEMBER OF BOTH THE MB AND CDA**

##### **1) WHERE A REPORT IS RECEIVED BY THE MB**

Where a report of an alleged breach is received, the MB in the state or territory in which the alleged offence occurred shall investigate the report in accordance with their Constitution, Rules, Regulations and Policies. The investigation and hearing shall be conducted under the rules of Natural Justice. Where the person is suspended as a result, the details shall be published.

It is the sole responsibility of CDA to decide if any action is to be instituted regarding the person's involvement in CDA activities during the period of the suspension.

##### **2) WHERE A REPORT IS RECEIVED BY THE CDA**

Where a report of an alleged offence is received, CDA shall investigate the report in accordance with their Constitution and Rules. The investigation shall be conducted under the rules of Natural Justice. Where the person is suspended as a result, the details shall be published.

It is the sole responsibility of the ANKC to decide if any action is to be instituted regarding the person's involvement in ANKC activities during the period of the suspension.

**MB HOSTED EVENTS**

MB clubs affiliated with CDA may host sanctioned Canine Disc events in accordance with CDA Rules, Regulations and policies. All CDA members may participate in MB club Canine Disc events provided that the event is sanctioned by CDA.

**TERM & TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT**

This agreement will become effective from the date of its adoption by the ANKC and CDA. Once adopted, the Agreement will apply for an initial period of five years, during which time each organisation will use its best endeavours to foster the relationship between the ANKC and CDA for their mutual benefit. The parties may agree to extend the term of this agreement for such further period(s), as required. . This agreement may also be terminated prior to expiry of the agreed term by mutual written agreement between the ANKC and CDA at any time.

**AMENDMENT**

This agreement may be amended by mutual written agreement between the ANKC and CDA at any time.

**For and on behalf of:  
Australian National Kennel  
Council Ltd**

**For and on behalf of:  
Canine Disc Australia Ltd**

Hugh Gent OAM - President  
Name

Natalie Armstrong  
Name

03/09/2024  
Date

22/08/2024  
Date

  
Signature

  
Signature