

## *Dangerous Dog Policy*

The Philadelphia Dog Training Club has drafted the above policy that will be used in the event that an incident is reported to the Incident Response Team by a training member or by the Training Director. This policy is intended to capture the specific facts of an incident that resulted in a complaint, injury and/ or disruption to a PDTC scheduled training session. This policy will be applied to incidents that happen during PDTC Scheduled training sessions, seminars, matches and shows. In the event that a PDTC member witnesses an incident that occurs outside of regular PDTC activities, and the witness believes that there is a realistic potential for future dangerous behavior at a PDTC activity, that incident may also be addressed.

Club members are asked to bring any dangerous dog incidents to the attention of any member of the board of directors. The incidents should then be referred to the IRT team.

The IRT team will consist of three club members that will gather the facts of an incident and then meet with the Training Director and present their findings. Afterwards the Training Director will define a plan of action if required to the board of directors. This policy applies to all training members and their specific breed regardless of size, weight, height, and breed type.

1) The IRT team will be required to gather the following information:

- 1) Date of incident.
- 2) Incident involved specific members, instructor, visitor etc.
- 3) A complete list of all persons' names and names and breeds of dogs involved.
- 4) Incident reported by.
- 5) Incident reported to.
- 6) Report prepared by.

Describe the type of incident and how it occurred in detail.

Describe Instructor/Board member/Training Committee member action taken at scene.

2) Once the IRT team completes the IRT Report it will then be submitted to the Training Director for review. The Training Director will then make a recommendation to the Board of Directors on the best course of action for the specific incident.

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