



## **NASDA Championship Event Sportsmanship & Information Security Policy**

NASDA Championship events, including the Regional Championship, Showcase, and Invitational, are prestigious events designed to celebrate the partnership, training, and teamwork between dog and handler. At this level of competition, exhibitors are expected to compete in the spirit of NASDA, fair play, and good sportsmanship while preserving the integrity of blind competition for all teams.

To protect the competitive environment and ensure fairness for all exhibitors, the following policies apply to all Championship-level events:

### **Video Recording & Photography**

Video recording of searches, competition areas, briefings, walkthroughs, or event elements by exhibitors or third-party spectators is not permitted unless expressly authorized by NASDA event officials.

This prohibition includes, but is not limited to:

- Cell phones
- Cameras
- Tablets
- Smart glasses
- Smart watches with recording capabilities
- Body cameras
- Wearable technology
- Any other audio or visual recording device, whether specifically listed here or not

Official NASDA media representatives or individuals specifically authorized by NASDA may be permitted to record designated portions of the event.

### **Personal Communication Devices**

At times during Championship competition, exhibitors may be asked to refrain from possessing or using personal communication devices, including phones, smart watches, earbuds, radios, or similar technology, except where an official NASDA accommodation has been granted.

Exhibitors are expected to comply promptly and professionally with all instructions provided by NASDA officials regarding device usage and access to competition areas.



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### **Discussion of Searches & Competition Elements**

To preserve the integrity of blind competition, exhibitors, spectators, and volunteers should refrain from discussing any element of searches, hides, distractions, course design, environmental conditions, or other competition details until the conclusion of the class.

This includes both in-person discussion and electronic communication through text messaging, social media, livestreams, online groups, or other digital platforms.

### **Sportsmanship & Integrity**

Championship events are intended to showcase skilled, prepared teams competing honestly and independently. Exhibitors are expected to demonstrate professionalism, courtesy, and respect toward fellow competitors, volunteers, judges, and event officials at all times.

Any behavior that compromises the fairness, integrity, or sportsmanship of the event may result in disciplinary action, including removal from the event, forfeiture of awards, or additional action as determined by NASDA.