

Siberian Husky Club of Canada

Sled dog certification complementary information booklet

As stipulated in the CKC sled dog certificate rules, the aim is to certify a qualified sled dog under the auspices of the Canadian Kennel Club, to encourage participation and to recognise a dog's abilities such as: desire, intelligence, agility, strength, attitude toward master and team, workmanship in sled dog events and to have all races governed by the current edition of the International Sled Dog Racing Association (ISDRA).

The certification is open to all purebred dogs individually registered with the Canadian Kennel Club. There are three title levels:

- Sled Dog: awarded the SD suffix
- Sled Dog Excellent: awarded the SDX suffix
- Sled Dog Unlimited: awarded the SDU suffix

Note :

- Dogs with Performance Event Numbers (PEN) are eligible. Resolved that the SHCC affirm the PEN program of the CKC, and that the membership and specifically all Race Marshals be made aware of the situation, instructing them to sign the race passport for all eligible dogs. Retroactive to January 01, 2002.
- Spayed or neutered dogs are eligible.

Complementary to the Rules requirements:

- All races must be advertised prior the race day in various mediums.
- The applicant may work as part of a mixed breed team in open race classes.
- Teams may choose to compete in any class offered by a Race Giving Organization. The calculation however is based on the fastest times for all teams of the same size restriction running the same trail and distance. We cannot ignore the all breed dogs (open) to create the time factor just for purebred dogs. It is not acceptable for purebred dog racers to have a race within a race themselves in order to record miles for their Passport.
- Where subsequent heats of a race are cancelled or reduced, qualifying mileage from complete heats may be counted towards a title.
- Mileage for a single title may be accumulated from season to season.
- Races held outside the Canada may be used to accumulate qualifying mileage.
- Races may be held on snow or dry-land. Consult current edition of the ISDRA Dryland race rules for more detail.

Successfully completed races shall be as follows:

SLED DOG (S.D.): Total accumulation of at least 50 miles in not less than three successfully completed races for all sled dogs who have not won the title of SD.

SLED DOG EXCELLENT (S.D.X.): Total accumulation of at least 100 miles in not less than three successfully completed races for all sled dogs who have won the SD title. Mileage for SD shall not be included.

SLED DOG UNLIMITED (S.D.U.): Total accumulation of at least 300 miles in not less than three successfully completed races for all sled dogs who have won the SDX title. Mileage for SDX shall not be included.

"SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED RACE" means one or more heats in which the total heat times of the team is:

- In purebred competition, not more than 25% greater than the total average heat times of the first three placements.

Each individual application for a CKC certificate must include along with the appropriate fee to the CKC:

- A completed and duly signed official CKC Sled Dog Certificate Passport.