

GROUP NORTH AMERICA OF THE VEREIN DEUTSCH DRAHTHAAR e.V.

Rules of Procedure

The following Rules of Procedures are authorized by the VDD By-Laws §5, 2). The VDD By-Laws are to be applied in an analogous manner and take precedence over group rules of procedure. GNA Rules of Procedure are established to provide guidance in those areas that the VDD By-Laws are silent, particular procedures required by the Laws of the United States, and are in need of greater clarification for practical application within Group North America. These Rules of Procedure are organized in the same format as the VDD By-Laws. Further these Rules of Procedure are to be deleted, added to and altered to meet the ever-changing needs of GNA. In addition to these Rules of Procedure an addendum to these rules are also established and will be known as JGHV Rules of Procedure for Group North America. The date a procedure is approved is indicated at the end of the procedure as: (Day. Month .Year) (12.06.04)

§ 1 Name, Location of Headquarters, Membership of Group North America of the VDD e.V. (12.06.04)

- 1.1) The group was approved by the VDD in 1971 and goes by the name, "Group North America e. V." it is the 26th group of VDD and is hereinafter referred to as "GNA". (12.06.04)
- 1.2) The group is headquartered in the town where the Business Manager lives, which at the present time is: 2703 Marble Springs Rd. Barnhart, MO 63012-2327. GNA was incorporated in Iowa, 1987 and registered as a non-profit Chapter 504A nonprofit corporation.
- 1.3) Any natural person who is prepared to support the purposes, rules/regulations of the JGHV, VDD and GNA (§ 2) may become a member of the club. (12.06.04)
- 1.4) GNA and its chapters are members of the VDD and all associations of the VDD and recognize all agreements of the VDD. Further GNA recognizes the agreement between the VDH and the JGHV and declares itself bound the bylaws of the JGHV and the VDH. The provisions of the JGHV's bylaws regarding the JGHV's disciplinary committee (§ 11), association tribunal (§ 12), disciplinary requirements and association tribunal regulations [Verbandsgerichtsordnung] are all binding on the VDD, its groups, and every member of the VDD.
- 1.5) In the advent that there exist conflicts between German Laws, regulations and By-Laws and United States Federal and/or State laws, United States Federal and/or State laws take precedent. (25.06.05)
- 1.6) The fiscal year begins 1 September and ends 31 August of each year.

§ 2 Purpose of the Group, Breeding Rules, Test Regulations

- 2.1) The purpose of the Group is to foster the breeding of Deutsch-Drahthaar's within the geographical boundaries of the USA. Provide organizational and educational support for the training and use of the versatile hunting dog as a partner in the conservation and ethical management of wildlife to the membership and general public. (25.06.05)**
- 2.2 The latest English version of the VDD Breeding Regulation and the FCI English version of the Deutsch-Drahthaar Standard are to be used in evaluating the relative breeding merits of the Deutsch-Drahthaar in GNA. (12.06.04)**
- 2.3 The conduct of Breed Shows will be in accordance with the latest version of the Breed Show Regulation. GNA has established these fees for evaluating suitability for Breeding. (12.06.04)**
 - 2.3.1) Breed Show entry fee \$75.00**
 - 2.3.2) Certification for Breeding not performed at a Breed Show \$125.00 (No longer applicable, per VDD all certifications must take place at a Breed Show.) (23.02.08)**
 - 2.3.3) Breed Show Judges shall be reimbursed the same as Performance Judges see JGHV Rules of Procedure § 1.2.1).**
- 2.4) International Armbruster-Zuchtprüfung. This special event is to emulate the International Hegewald- Zuchtprüfung in scope and purpose. Providing a yearly opportunity to evaluate the merits of the Deutsch-Drahthaar in North America. (12.06.04)**

§ 3 Structure of the Group (12.06.04)

- 3.1) GNA is composed of sub-groups within the continental United States, Hawaii and Alaska. Sub-groups are designated as "The Chapter of GNA"**
- 3.2) Each Chapter represents a specified geographical area to include a minimum of three of the 50 States within the United States. A State, in its entirety, can only be included in one Chapter.**

- 3.3) All members of GNA must be a member of a Chapter. By November 15, a member must inform the Chapter to which he belongs of his intent to transfer to another Chapter. The Chapter that is being left informs the GNA Business Manager of the intended transfer. As soon as informed, the GNA Business Manager shall ask the destination Chapter whether it consents to the transfer. The transfer takes effect at the start of the new calendar year. Applicants for Apprentice Judge (RANW) must be an active member of a chapter for one year before they can be recommended. (27.01.07)

3.4) Geographical Chapter Regions:

Atlantic Chapter - Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Great Lakes Chapter -Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio

Heartland Chapter - Illinois, Iowa, and Kentucky

Southeast Hunter - Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, and North Carolina

Midwest North Chapter - Minnesota, North Dakota, and Wisconsin

Big Rivers Chapter - Missouri, Kansas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas (01.09.06)

Wild West Chapter- New Mexico, Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah, Oregon, Idaho, Washington, and the Hawaiian Islands (01.09.06)

Great Plains Chapter - Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska, Colorado, South Dakota, and Alaska

§ 4 Establishment and Dissolution of Chapters (12.06.04)

- 4.1) A State may petition for affiliation with a Chapter it borders.
- 4.2) Three or more bordering States, acting together, may petition to establish a new Chapter. The included States must have within their borders a minimum of three Performance Judges (VR) and one Breed Show Judge (ZR) or apprentice Breed Show Judge (ZR-ANW) approved by GNA's Breedwarden. To be considered for approval the petition cannot result in any State or States losing Chapter affiliation or having within their membership less than the required cadre of Performance and Breed Show judges.
- 4.3) Petitions, accompanied by supporting documentation of approval by the majority of members within the affected regions and consultation with all neighboring Chapters must be submitted to GNA's Executive Committee, to the attention of the Business Manager.

- 4.4) A Chapter can be dissolved by a 2/3 majority decision of the Board of Directors if it, despite repeated remonstrations by the Executive Committee,**
- 4.4.1) continues to contravene the provisions of the bylaws of the VDD or GNA's Rules of Procedure,**
 - 4.4.2) damages the reputation of the VDD or GNA through its behavior, or depreciates the principles represented by the VDD and GNA.**
 - 4.4.3) On the date of dissolution, the assets of the Chapter devolve upon GNA.**
- 4.5) A change in a State's Chapter affiliation and the establishment of a new Chapter, must be approved by a minimum 2/3 majority decision by the Board of Directors following recommendation by the Executive Committee. Changes will become effective at the beginning of the next fiscal year following approval.**

§ 5 Duties of the Chapters (12.06.04)

- 5.1) The primary objective of the Chapter's elected officers is to assist the Executive Committee in promoting the goals and objectives of the VDD and GNA within their Chapter's geographical region. Additionally, the elected officers should identify membership interests and needs particular to their geographical region and seek to develop activities that serve those interests and needs. Two pages of each GNA Newsletter may be used to promote a Chapter's goals and activities.**
(27.01.07)
- 5.2) The Chairperson of each Chapter, or an agent authorized by him in writing, represents the Chapter with a consultative voice as a member of GNA's Board of Directors.**
- 5.3) Each Chapter will host the GNA Annual General Meeting on a rotational schedule.** *(31.01.09)*
- 5.4) Written minutes of Chapter meetings shall be sent to the members of the Executive Committee and to the Newsletter Editor for publication.** *(17.07.10)*
- 5.5) Each Chapter shall appoint or elect a Chapter Director of Testing and this person is responsible for the submission of test paperwork and should be a VR or RA.** *(08.06.13)*

§ 6 Chapter Leadership (12.06.04)

- 6.1) Each new Chapter shall appoint officers for the first organizational year. Thereafter elect officers according to VDD Bylaws §6. (25.06.05) Officers living outside of their chapter boundaries must have been a Chapter member for 3 years prior to holding an office. (18.06.11)**
- 6.2) The elected Chapter board must consist of the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Business Manager. Additionally, a Chapter Breedwarden will be appointed by GNA's Breedwarden.**
- 6.3) Chapter officers are permitted to hold more than one office.**
- 6.4) The duties of the Chapter officers shall be analogous with those of GNA's Executive Committee**
- 6.5) Chapters are not to maintain a treasury. (25.06.05)**

§7 Admission of Members

§ 8 Members, Membership Dues

- 8.1) Membership dues are established by the VDD General Membership and are payable in Euro's. Groups are allowed to charge admission fees and special purpose fees above the VDD established levy (§8.5). The fee schedule for GNA members includes the fee established by the VDD Membership. (09.06.18)**
 - 8.1.1) Annual Membership renewal dues effective FY 2019 \$100.00**
 - 8.1.2) New Member Admission dues effective FY 2019 \$125.00**
 - 8.1.3) Special Purpose fee for late renewals \$15.00 after 1 Dec and \$25.00 after 1 Jan of each year.**
 - 8.1.4) Social Membership Annual dues are \$30.00 (23.02.08)**
 - 8.1.5) The Annual Membership renewal dues for regular members who are 65 years of age or over AND have been VDD members for 25 or more continuous years shall be 50% of the regular renewal dues, effective FY 2013. (21.07.12)**

§ 9 Resignation, Transfer Between Groups, Termination of Membership

§ 10 Executive Bodies and Institutions of the Club

§ 11 The Executive Committee

In addition to the responsibilities required by the By-Laws of the VDD and the Regulations of the JGHV GNA's Executive Committee members are responsible for:
(25.06.05)

11.1) Chairman - The Chairman shall be the principal executive officer of GNA and shall, subject to the direction of the Executive Committee, generally supervise and control all the business and affairs of GNA. May appoint assistants, committees and boards as needed and with approval of the Executive Committee.

11.2) Vice-Chairman - The Vice-Chairman's principal duties include but are not limited to:

11.2.1) In the event of death, inability, refusal to act, or absence of the Chairman, shall perform all the duties of the Chairman, and so acting, shall have all the powers of Chairman.

11.2.2) Principal Officer for implementation of the JGHV testing system within GNA. Head Performance Judge for GNA. (08.06.13)

11.2.3) May appoint assistants, committees and boards as needed with approval of the Executive Committee.

11.2.4) Qualifications of VDD-GNA Vice-Chairman: Rescinded (01.12.15)

11.3 Breedwarden - The Breedwarden's principal duties include but are not limited to:

11.3.1) Implementation of the VDD Breed Regulations within GNA

11.3.2) Maintain the FCI Breed Standard of the Deutsch-Drahthaar within GNA

11.3.3) Organize and Develop Breed Shows, Breed Show judges and Breed Show apprentices judges.

11.3.4) General administrative duties of a Group Breedwarden

11.3.5) May appoint assistants, committees and boards as needed.

11.4) Business Manager - The Business Manager's principal duties include but are not limited to:

- 11.4.1) General administrative business and duties of GNA**
- 11.4.2) May appoint assistants, committees and boards as needed with approval of the Executive Committee.**
- 11.5) Treasurer – The Treasurer is the principal financial officer of GNA the duties are but not limited to:**
- 11.5.1) Maintain a bookkeeping system in accordance with generally accepted and consistent accounting principles.**
- 11.5.2) Maintain GNA funds in a Federally Insured Bank within the boundaries of the United States of America.**
- 11.5.3) Maintain a GNA bank account with a major internationally recognize German Bank for the transfer of funds with the various Germans accounts associated with the financial business of GNA.**
- 11.5.4) Files financial reports as required by State and Federal Laws.**
- 11.5.5) May appoint assistants, committees and boards as needed with approval of the Executive Committee.**
- 11.6) Newsletter Editor - The Newsletter Editor's principal duties are but not limited to:**
- 11.6.1) Publication Dates:**
- The GNA Newsletter shall be published four times annually as follows:
Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter. (31.01.09)
Results of all GNA sponsored Breedshows will be published either in the GNA Newsletter in the quarter following the Breedshow or yearly, in the yearly summary of performance testing. The Breedshow listing to show the date/place/host chapter, dogs and handler and the score awarded to each dog. (07.06.2014)**
- 11.6.2) Editor of GNA's web site www.vdd-gna.org**
- 11.6.3) General administrative manager of all media representing GNA.**
- 11.6.4) May appoint assistants, committees and boards as needed with approval of the Executive Committee.**

§ 12 Board of Directors

The Board of Directors consists of the Executive Committee, the chairpersons of all GNA Chapters or their authorized representatives, and the head performance judge.
(25.06.05)

§ 13 The General Meeting

- 13.1) The hosting Chapter will be provided a total underwriting amount of \$1,000.00 after January 1 and receive 50% of the proceeds resulting from the auction after any business (31.01.09) meeting cost are deducted. (25.06.05)**
- 13.2) Each Chapter shall host the GNA Annual Membership Meeting on a rotational schedule as follows: Big Rivers 2017, Wild West 2018, Heartland 2019, Great Plains 2020, Big Rivers 2021, Great Lakes 2022, Midwest North 2023, Southeast Hunter 2024, and Atlantic 2025.(11.06.16) The GNA Annual General Meeting should take place during the first six months of each calendar year. (31.01.09)**
- 13.3) Vendors at the General Meeting or other GNA sponsored event (eg. The Armbruster Zuchtprüfung) must be approved by the host Chapter and the GNA Executive Committee as well as pay a fee. The fee for GNA member vendors is \$25; the fee for non-GNA member vendors is \$50. Sales sponsored by the host Chapter are exempt from the fee. Such fees do not apply to previously approved sponsors. GNA is not a vendor and assumes no responsibility regarding local vendor license or the payment of stat or local taxes. (18.06.11)**

§ 14 Motions and Voting Procedure in the Membership Meetings

- 14.1) Motions from Chapters or members for the general meeting must be sent in writing to the GNA Business Manager at least twelve weeks prior to the meeting. (18.06.11)**
- 14.2) In the general meeting, each member has one vote. Members not present at the meeting are considered to be represented by the Chairperson of their Chapter or by a member of the Executive Committee of the Chapter or of GNA who is authorized in writing by the Chapter Chairperson. (03.06.17)**
- 14.3) All voting at the Chapter or the Group must be done in person at the respective meeting. (03.06.17)**

§ 15 Studbook - Keeper of the Studbook

§ 16 The Assets of the Club

§ 17 Loyalty Awards

§ 18 Merit Award

18.1) VDD and GNA recommendations for awards must be submitted by the Chapter Chariman to the GNA Chairman no later than 1 month prior to GNA's Annual General Membership Meeting for approval by the Board of Directors, except for the procedure specified below for GNA Awards.

18.1.1) VDD awards (as specified in the VDD Bylaws) must be completed on the VDD Awards Form (this form is available from the GNA Chairman) by the Chairman of the Chapter of the member who is a member being recommended or any GNA Executive Committee member.

18.1.2) GNA awards:

GNA recognizes its members through a system of awards for noteworthy contributions to the organization beyond the acknowledged by general membership duties and responsibilities that are recognized by desiring to be a member of this breed-club organization. GNA Awards are for Distinguished Service and Exemplary Service to the Chapter.

The GNA Awards are:

Exemplary Service Award

This Award shall be presented to any nominee approved by the Board of Directors who has performed one or more single instance services that are of outstanding quality, extraordinary work or exceptional services and importance to GNA and/or the breed, in a given calendar year. This award shall consist of a GNA Silver Pin and a certificate (Urkunde) The text of the certificate shall read: "presented to John P Doe in Recognition of Exemplary Service to the Deutsch-Drahthaar and Group North America in year.

Distinguished Service Award

This shall be the highest GNA award, and shall be conferred upon those who have made truly distinguished sacrifices or and/or contributions to GNA and/or the DD breed, usually over a multiple year period. This Award shows how multiple services that are of outstanding quality, extraordinary work or exceptional services and importance to GNA and/or the breed, over a period of multiple years.. This award shall consist of a GNA Gold Pin and certificate (Urkunde) The text of the certificate shall read: "presented to John P Doe in Recognition of Dedicated and Steadfast Service to the Deutsch-Drahthaar and Group North America in year.

Those persons who are making the nomination for either Award must request a nomination form from the Business Manager-for approval by the Executive Committee and Board of Directors (see Appendix A for copy of form). VDD-GNA Awards must be completed on the GNA Awards Nomination form by a Chairman of a Chapter or any Executive Board member. After its completion it is returned to the GNA Chairman. The

Executive Board and Board of Directors review the merit of the nominations for both the Distinguished Service and Exemplary Service Awards. The reviewers are looking for services or acts that are of outstanding quality, extraordinary work, and of exceptional service and importance to deserve the Exemplary or Distinguished Service Awards. The jury process is confidential. This Boards makes a recommendation to approve or disapprove on a majority vote.

Voting is done by written or verbal record at the Annual Meeting or may also be done via Internet after the Nomination Form is returned to the GNA Chairman. This voting includes the Executive Board and all Chapter Chairman. The results of the nomination's voting are then announced to the EC and BOD by the Chairman. These Awards are then presented to the Nominee at the Annual Meeting if possible, and if that is not possible by the Chapter Chairman at its Chapter Annual Meeting or at some time and place where the award can be made in public with proper recognition of the Award Presentation. (18.06.11)

§ 19 Disciplinary Actions Against Members, Removal and Expulsion of Members

§ 20 Dissolution of the Club

Addendum A – GNA Annual General Meeting SOP (will be added upon completion)
(08.06.13)

Addendum B – GNA International Armbruster SOP (08.06.13)

Addendum C – – Kennel Registration and Litter Registration (09.06.18))

Addendum D – – GNA Sponsored Judges and Apprentices (08.06.19))

JGHV Rules of Procedure for GNA (12.06.04)

§ 1 JGHV Association Membership of VDD Group North America e. V.

The group was approved by the JGHV as an associate member in 1979 and goes by the name, "VDD Group North America e. V. " and was assigned the association number 6005.

- 1.1) Performance test are to be conducted in accordance with the latest version of the VDH and JGHV By-Laws and test regulations. Performance Judges perform their duties as outlined in the various test regulations. As a VDD Group in a foreign country with geographical and wildlife difference their maybe variances of these rules to compensate for these geographical and wildlife differences.**

1.1.1) Test fees are as follows (12.06.04) :

**VJP \$85.00
HZIP \$100.00
VGP \$150.00**

1.1.2) Performance awards

Armbruster Halt (AH)	no fee, related to breed test
Toughness certification (/)	no fee, must be hunt related (23.02.08)
Loud hunting certification (\)	no fee, related to breed test
Reliability of retrieving- natural track (Vbr)	no fee, must be hunt related
Reliability of retrieving test (Btr)	\$ 35.00 (25.06.05)
Bloodtracking test (VSwP)	\$150.00 3 Dog minimum. (31.01.09)

- 1.1.3) Test Coordinators will be reimbursed from GNA's general treasury upon presentation of valid receipts and expense reports within 60 days to GNA Treasurer. (12.06.04)**

Ground fees of up to \$250 per test weekend do not need pre-approval from GNA's EB and or DoT and will be reimbursed as part of test fees. Ground fees in excess of \$250 per test weekend must have pre-approval by GNA's EB and or DoT. (11.06.16)

- 1.1.4) Test Entry Fees are non-refundable effective 01.06.08. (23.02.08)**

- 1.1.5) Entry Deadline is 30 days prior to test date. Additional entries maybe accept if space available. (25.06.05) Entry deadline for the Armbruster HZIP shall be 45 days prior to the test date. (23.02.08)**

- 1.1.6) All tests must be scheduled with the GNA Director of Testing by 1 December for Spring Tests and by 1 June for Fall Tests. Any**

subsequent emergency tests must be pre-approved by the GNA Director of Testing. (17.07.10)

1.1.7) VGP's organized by GNA will be performed with all phases of the water work even if tested previously. (25.06.05)

1.1.8) Group North America sponsors the Armbruster International Zuchtprüfung as an annual special event.

1.1.9) No other tests or events will be held during the Armbruster test schedule. (17.07.10)

1.2) Reimbursement of Performance test expenses:

1.2.1) Judges (VR) will be reimbursed from GNA's general treasury for travel and lodging only upon presentation of valid receipts and expense report within 60 days to GNA Treasurer. No reimbursements for BTR test judges. (12.06.04)

1.2.2) Apprentice Judges (RANW) will be reimbursed from GNA's general treasury for travel and lodging for one of each required out of Chapter tests upon presentation of valid receipts and valid test reports delivered to the GNA Director of Judge Development in a timely manner. (27.01.07) Apprentice Judges (RANW) must apprentice two days if available when requesting out of Chapter reimbursement. (18.06.11)

1.2.3) Judge Development expense for overseas travel: GNA will reimburse up to \$500.00 with the Chapter making the recommendation for the judge or apprentice to make the trip. No funds disbursed by GNA or the Chapter until apprentice report has been submitted and accepted. (09.06.18)

1.3) Priority of Testing of breeds associated with the JGHV (25.06.05)

1.3.1 GNA organized tests, with the exception of VSwP/VFSP, will give preference to the Deutsch-Drahthaar. (13.06.15)

1.3.2 Non-VDD breeds associated with the JGHV are on a space available bases that are not filled at test deadline date.

1.3.3 Fees are doubled for non-VDD members, with the exception that members of other JGHV associated clubs will not be charged the double entry fee for the VGP test and the VSwP test. (18.06.11)

1.3.4 All test co-sponsored with other JGHV associated clubs must be approved on a individual basis by the EC.

Verein Deutsch Drahthaar/Group North America
Service Awards Nomination Form

Type of Award Nominating for Check One
_____ Exemplary Service _____ Distinguished Service

Name of Nominee _____ Chapter _____
Year Nominee became Member _____

Awards already received by Nominee by GNA _____

Positions held in the Chapter or GNA : Place the # of years in that position on the line:

_____ Chairman _____ Vice Chairman
_____ Business Manager _____ Breedwarden _____ Treasurer

Activities within the Group:

_____ Verbandsrichter _____ Schweißrichter _____ Suchenleiter _____ Suchenleiter
_____ Suchenleiter _____ Richterobmann _____ Ausbildungsleiter _____ Gewässerwart
_____ erfolgreicher Züchter _____ erfolgreicher Hundeführer _____ Prüfungsrevisierinhaber

Further Information:

Not more than 3 pages: Start on the other side of this paper.

- 1. Describe the Activity of this Nominee within the last 1 year(Exemplary) or 3 years (Distinguished Service) that demonstrates their activities.**
- 2. Describe how this activity justifies the nomination and how it sets the nominee apart from other members of the Chapter**
- 3. What is the impact and significance of these activities within the Chapter or GNA?**

Name of person making nomination

(Print) _____

Signature _____

Chapter _____ Position Held _____

Addendum B – GNA International Armbruster SOP

Standard Operating Procedure ^ For VDD-GNA Armbruster Zuchtprüfung As of June 2014.

The Standard Operating Procedure(SOP) is to be used as the guideline by host Chapters for the organization, promotion and execution of the Armbruster Zuchtprüfung. Modifications to the SOP can, and will be made as deemed necessary by the VDD-GNA Executive Board and Board of Directors. Changes will be made to the SOP by either the VDD-GNA Chairman, Vice Chairman or Business Manager.

This SOP is supported by the Armbruster Planning Guideline.

Hosting Proposals: Chapters at least one year prior to the desired host year must submit at the VDD-GNA Annual Meeting a proposal to host the desired Armbruster. If a hare track can be included it must be a part of the Armbruster. The VDD-GNA Executive Board and Board of Directors will vote on the awarding of all Armbrusters.

Event Dates: The Armbruster officially begins on a Wednesday, and officially ends on a Saturday. Armbruster dates should not coincide with the VDD Hegewald, and must differ by at least ten calendar days to ensure participation of foreign guests.

Planning Committee: VDD-GNA Vice Chairman is the individual responsible for the planning committee. The planning committee consists of; The Vice Chairman and VDD-GNA Treasurer, current and past year Armbruster Test Directors and Test Coordinators, and the VDD-GNA Test Director. The committee also receives support and input from the VDD-GNA Chairman, Breedwarden and Newsletter Editor.

Test Director: The host Chapter is encouraged to submit a Test Director for consideration. This must be done along with the hosting proposal. The proposed TD can be from the host Chapter or any other Chapter. VDDGNA Executive Board is the approving body for all Armbruster Test Directors.

Test Coordinator: The host Chapter should appoint an experienced Test Coordinator who lives near the test location. The proposed TC must be included with the hosting proposal. VDD-GNA Executive Board reserves the right to require an alternate individual than the Chapter's proposed appointee i f they feel he/she does not meet the required qualifications.

Test and Event Costs: The Armbruster is an HZP and Breed Show. All standard HZP and Breed Show costs are the responsibility of VDD-GNA. Prudent consideration must be given to all ground, game, facility, judging and test marshal costs. Judges and Apprentices will be reimbursed per VDD-GNA rules, foreign judges will be given a set fee of \$500, and field marshals will be reimbursed up to \$300.

Test Extras (large expenditures): Expenditures that fall outside standard HZP and Breed Show test costs must be brought in front of the GNA Armbruster Committee for approval. Items such as tents, porta-potties, banquet and meeting facility fees, etc. that wouldn't normally be needed at an

HZP or Breed Show. Any extras that the host chapter is willing to pay for out of their own funds does not need to go before the GNA Armbruster Committee.

Required Event Activities: There must be an official registration, judges meeting and opening ceremony banquet on Wednesday. Testing and breed show evaluations are conducted on Thursday and Friday. Saturday will consist of a parade of dogs, continuing education seminar and awards banquet.

Fundraising: Host Chapter has the right to all proceeds from auctions, raffles, merchandise sales, etc. held Wednesday through Friday. Proceeds from Saturday fundraising are the rights of VDD-GNA.

Promotion: Announcement of the Armbruster must begin in the Winter VDD-GNA Newsletter. Announcements must also be made in the spring and summer editions. Web site announcements must begin by January of host year. Intent to Enter and official entry forms must be available by April 1st of host year. Armbruster information packets must be provided to all VJPs.

Pin Design: An Armbruster pin must be produced. Pin designs must be submitted to the VDD-GNA Executive Board for approval by April 1st of the given calendar year.

Program: An official color Armbruster program must be produced. All ad revenue from the program is the right of VDD-GNA.

Prize Table: A prize table must be organized as part of the Awards Banquet by the host Chapter. A prize(s) must be available for every dog entered.

Armbruster Awards: VDD-GNA is responsible for organization of, and providing the various awards.

Entry Deadline and Submission: Entry submission deadline for the Armbruster is 45 days prior to the start of the event. Entry forms are submitted to the VDD-GNA Breedwarden. Intent to Enter forms are submitted to the TD.

JGHV Announcement: An official Armbruster test announcement must be supplied to JGHV prior to June 1st. This must be done separately to the normal fall test submissions. The Armbruster test announcement must also be supplied to VDD at the same time.

Official Dog Food Sponsor: The Armbruster will have a single dog food sponsor. All Armbruster support by this sponsor must be coordinated through the VDD-GNA Newsletter Editor.

Addendum C – Kennel Registration and Litter Registration (09.06.18)

A. New kennel registration fee: effective immediately

1. If you have personally trained and handled any of your dogs successfully through the VJP, HZP, and VGP as well as taken your own dog successfully through the breed show (though possibly not necessarily the same dog) , then GNA will pay for your kennel registration as a show of support for your efforts. To receive your kennel registration with no charge, you must submit documentation proving your training and handling of the dog on the paperwork required.
2. If you have personally trained and handled any of your dogs successfully through three of the breed tests VJP, HZP, VGP, or two of the breed tests not of the same kind (e.g. one VJP, one HZP) and taken your own dog successfully through the breed show, then GNA will reduce the cost of your kennel registration to \$250 (two hundred and fifty dollars US) payable to VDD-GNA to be submitted with your kennel registration paperwork.
3. If you have personally trained and handled any of your dogs successfully through two of the breed tests VJP, HZP, VGP, not of the same kind, or one of the breed tests and taken your dog successfully through a breed show, then GNA will reduce the cost of your kennel registration to \$500 (five hundred dollars US) payable to VDD-GNA to be submitted with your kennel registration paperwork.
4. If you have personally trained and handled any of your dogs successfully through one of the breed tests, or successfully through the breed show, then GNA will reduce the cost of your kennel registration to \$750 (seven hundred and fifty dollars US) payable to VDD-GNA to be submitted with your kennel registration paperwork.
5. If you have not trained and handled any of your dogs personally and successfully through any JGHV tests for VDD breed certification, particularly the VJP, HZP, or VGP, or taken your dog successfully through a breed show, then your kennel registration fee is \$1,000 (one-thousand dollars US) payable to VDD-GNA to be submitted with kennel registration paperwork.

B. New Litter Registration fee

1. Effective immediately litter registration is increased to \$50 (Fifty dollars US) per puppy from every VDD-GNA breeder submitted litter.

Addendum D – – GNA Sponsored Judges and Apprentices (08.06.19)

A) DoJD shall maintain an apprentice and judge database containing the minimum items.

1) A list of all tests an apprentice has completed. Including type, location, date & Sr. Judge.

2) A list of Continuing Education seminars attended by judges over the last four years.

B) A bi-annual apprentice review(Jan/Feb, & July/Aug) will be conducted with each apprentice, the Executive Board and Chapter chairpersons.

C) Complaints against an apprentice or judge must be formally provided in writing, and given to the DoJD within 10 days of the item of concern.

1) The Executive Board, chapter chairperson and apprentice or judge will be notified of complaints and corresponding investigations. The DoJD shall contact all persons necessary (judges, other handlers, members of the gallery, etc.) to investigate the complaint. The judge/apprentice against whom the complaint is filed shall be provided copies of the complaint and a summary of all evidence presented to the DoJD during the investigation and will be entitled to respond to each. The response from the judge/apprentice shall be submitted to the DoJD by the judge/apprentice not less than 10 days after receipt of the complaint/ evidence. Upon completion of the investigation, the DoJD shall submit a written report and recommended disposition (i.e. dismissal, action against the judge/apprentice, etc.) of the complaint to (a) the apprentice/judge who is the subject of the complaint, (b) the judge/apprentice's chapter board of directors and (c) the GNA Executive Committee.

D) The DoJD will have an official vote on apprentice and judge matters that include apprentice acceptance, apprentice approval to judge status, and termination of GNA's sponsorship of apprentices and judges.