HCKOC SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY AND WAIVER FORM

Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club recognizes the prevalence of electronic communication and social media in today's world. Many of our members use these means as their primary method of communication. While the Club acknowledges the value of these methods of communication, the Club also realizes that there are associated risks that must be considered. For these reasons, we have a clear and concise policy on acceptable social media and communication policy supported by the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club.

Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club Social Networking Policy

Social networking is defined as; using the Internet to send messages, videos, images, writing blog entries, etc. Social networks focus on building communities online with others of similar interests. The Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club understands and appreciates the importance of social networking as it relates to the personal lives of its members. Some commonsense rules should guide Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club members when using social media.

Failure to follow these guidelines may result in disciplinary action from the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club. Members in violation of this policy may be disciplined by the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club. Members should not make statements that could be demeaning to the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club volunteers, its programs, board members, members, judges, trainers, and sponsors or any other persons associated with the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club.

Members should not communicate confidential information that may include member contact information, family situations, Club business, Club financial information and any other information that could be deemed confidential. Members should not share photos, videos, or comments that promote negative influences or criminal behavior, including but not limited to physical violence, sexual or other harassment, drug use, alcohol abuse, public intoxication, etc.

Members should not post inappropriate, derogatory, racist, or sexist comments of any kind that contradict the policies outlined by the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club and or the CKC (Canadian Kennel Club). The use of cameras of any type is <u>prohibited</u> within washrooms and other areas where privacy should be expected (i.e. hotel rooms).

Member should be advised that the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club owns and maintains all legal rights to its email and network, and any email passing through these systems is owned by the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club. Keep in mind, that emails may be backed up, otherwise copied, retained, or used for legal, disciplinary, or other reasons and they may be subject to use for purposes not anticipated by the sender. Any email sent to or from certain public or governmental entities may be considered public record.

Any pictures or videos of Club events may be used for advertising and social media posts unless waiver has been signed stating they cannot be used.

Your contact information will be included in the database of the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club and included in the official membership list provided to current Club members <u>only</u>.

Should you NOT wish to have pictures and/or videos containing your image included in any advertising and social media posts, the **Promotional Images Release Form** must be completed and submitted to **info@hckoc.com**.

Promotional Images Release Form

I acknowledge that I am hereby informing the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club that any pictures or videos of Club events, that include images of myself may not be used, unless my image/likeness is blurred in some way to make my image unrecognizable. These photos/videos will be used to promote the Hub City Kennel and Obedience Club.

Please print clearly

I hereby do NOT allow the use of my name	_ Nor Image _	(X)
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Member (first name- last name)

A **current** photo must be supplied. This will be used as reference for those posting images on our website, social media, and use in advertising, to identify and ensure images are blurred.

Member Signature:

Member Address (house address, street, city, postal code):

Is Member a Minor (under 18yrs of age) YES _____ No _____ If YES, Parent/Guardian name (please print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Address (house address, street, city, postal code):

Organization Witness Name

Organization Witness Signature

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2024