



Winter 2026

DOCOF Doings



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Now that we've completed the Holiday season, we're starting to get ready for DOCOF 2026. On January 6, 2026, the DOCOF Board met with the Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg Board, (DTCSP) to discuss some issues where DOCOF and DTCSP can do a better job of working together. I have listed below the areas we discussed, and the solutions we agreed on. I know I can count on your help.

Planning DOCOF

1. DTCSP will appoint one "Point of Contact" person who will work with me to coordinate the planning for DOCOF.

Setup

1. When I announce in DOINGS the time to meet to set up for DOCOF, do not arrive early because you will not be allowed to enter the building until the agreed upon time. It causes too much confusion.
2. DTCSP will assign an additional person as a "point of contact" to assist our members with anything building related such as cleaning items and equipment during the Rally and Obedience Trial. I will pass along the names of the contact people to Team Captains via DOINGS and emails.
3. DTCSP will "stage" certain items the night before we are scheduled to setup, such as tables, extra gating, jumps, cones etc. so people setting up DOCOF can find those items easily.

Clean-up

1. There was some confusion last year as to how much cleaning needs to be done. On the Team Entry you must



indicate a clean-up person. Putting away tables, cleaning rings and team areas are required. Team Captains will be responsible for making sure that person stays to clean. They will report to a DOCOF Board member, and the DOCOF Board member will determine if your area is clean before you leave. The Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg is kind enough to allow DOCOF to hold our annual event at their club. **We need to treat it as if it was our own clubhouse!**

Building "A" Training with treats, drinks & food and soiling the ring.

1. Even though I post signs at each ring & list rules in the March edition of DOINGS that everyone must follow while training in building "A", exhibitors choose to disregard those rules. DTCSP has spent *A LOT OF MONEY* installing new turf on their floor and they have certain rules we

all must follow! Dogs soiling the ring is another problem where we can improve.

2. DTCSP has instituted a new rule that if you train with treats, bring food or drink into building “A” or if your dog soils the ring, you will be charged a Ten (\$10) Dollar fee. Dog treats ground into the floor, spilled drinks and dropped human food as well as dog urine and poop are not good for the new turf. **Remember you are on camera. Please respect the rules DTCSP has in place and treat their club as if were your own.**

Team Captains

1. DOCOF will communicate with Team Captains as well as Delegates, regarding guidelines for food, displays and team area clean-up. Team Captains are responsible for ensuring their teams follow the guidelines set forth. Remember you are required to list a Team Captain for each team you list on your Entry form.

During the Event

1. When I ask for volunteers in DOINGS to do certain jobs such as emptying poop buckets, trash cans & monitor


poop buckets, trash cans and monitor restrooms, those jobs are required to help the event run smoothly. Beginning next year, a “white board” will be used to list volunteer sign-ups and team responsibilities to do those jobs. We will list the names based on who you list on your Team Entry form.


2. Each Team Captain will be provided with a form to keep track of their DOCOF team scores. **These forms must be turned into Luci Seeley or Jeanette Rogers** who in turn will double-check the scores with our Trial Secretary prior to presenting awards.

In Summary

I know we all can do better. While the Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg may not be your home club, you need to treat it as such and respect their rules and requests they have set forth. Holding DOCOF at St. Pete requires a lot less work than when we had it at the Central Florida Fairgrounds in Orlando. Let’s all pull together and be sure we leave their club in the same condition we found it when we arrived so we can enjoy DOCOF for years to come.



<p>Two Day Seminar</p> <p>Imperial Polk Obedience Club</p>  <p>Learn how you and your dog can perform at your best.</p> <p>May 2 & 3, 2026</p> <p>at 8 am and ending at 4pm</p>	<p>The Successful Handler in Obedience</p> <p>Day One's presentation is an interactive active and informative presentation regarding the AKC Regulations, how they are applied by judges including the myths and truths of judges' expectations of the Obedience Handler. Day Two is One on One coaching of handlers with their dogs. Handlers will learn critical tips on how to keep those points that obedience handlers frequently throw away.</p> <p>Audit Spots Day One Audit and Working Spots Day Two</p> <p>Please Join Us</p>	<p>The Successful Handler in Obedience</p>  <p>A Seminar by Aimee and Ken Kincaid</p> <p>Two Day Seminar</p>
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<p>What You will Learn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What your responsibility is to your dog during your time in the ring. • Myths vs facts about scoring and judging. • How to prepare to do your best in the ring. • How "principle features" relates to scoring. • How to interpret the AKC Obedience Rules and Regulations • How to use the Judges' Guidelines to better your performance. • Handling tips to improve your performance. • Hands on tips for you and your dog. • The difference between teamwork and control. 	<p>The Successful Handler in Obedience</p> <p>The Clinicians</p> <p>Ken Kincaid is an AKC Obedience and Rally Judge and experienced obedience handler. Ken has been in the sport of obedience for over twenty years. Achieving titles on dogs including an <u>OTCh</u>. Ken has shown and been a finalist at the National Obedience Championship twice. Aimee Kincaid is an AKC Obedience and Rally Judge and has been in the sport of obedience for more the twenty years. Aimee has been training dogs for more than thirty-five years</p>	<p>The Successful Handler in Obedience</p>  <p>Special Presentation by the Dog Obedience Clubs of Florida</p> <p>Two Day Seminar</p>
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DOCOF Annual Dues Renewal



Name of Club/Organization: _____

Name of Club's/Organization's President: _____

President's Email address: _____

Name of Club's/Organization's Delegate: _____

Delegate's Email: _____

Delegate's Phone: _____

Alternate Delegate's Name: _____

Alternate Delegate's Email: _____

Alt. Delegate's Phone: _____

Amount paid:

_____ (\$75 if paid by Sept. 30th) Check #: _____

_____ (\$80 if paid between Oct. 1-March 31) Check #: _____

Treasurer's Name: _____

Treasurer's Email: _____

Treasurer's Phone: _____

Please make the check payable to DOCOF.

Mail to: Jeanette Rogers
4391 Berkshire Road
Saint James City, FL 33956

NOTE: By-Laws Article II, Section I, Membership

(c) Dues shall be payable on or before September 30th of each calendar year and become delinquent on April 2nd. of the following year.

(d) Dues for the following calendar year shall be \$75 if paid on or before September 30th. Dues paid between October 1st and April 1st. shall be \$80. Any Club that has not paid dues by April 2nd. shall be considered delinquent and their membership will be considered lapsed. Refer to Article II for reinstatement.

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Dog Obedience Clubs of Florida Membership Application



Application Date: _____

Name of Organization: _____

Parent Club: AKC: **Other:** _____

Club's Mailing Address: _____ **City:** _____

State: _____ **Zip Code:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Person Submitting Form: _____ **Title:** _____

Email: _____ **Signature:** _____

OFFICERS

President: _____ **Email:** _____

Phone: _____

V. P.: _____ **Email:** _____

Phone: _____

Secretary: _____ **Email:** _____

Street Address: _____ **City:** _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Treas.: _____ **Email:** _____

Phone: _____

DELEGATE: _____ **Email:** _____

Street Address: _____ **City:** _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Alternate Delegate: _____ **Email:** _____

Phone: _____

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Briefly tell us about the history and goals of your organization.

[Large empty light blue box for organization history and goals]

SPONSORING DELEGATE

Name: [] Organization: []
Phone: [] Email: []

Applications must be received no later than March 1st in order to be voted in and compete in the tournament the same year. You must send a representative to the annual meeting to speak to, and answer questions about your organization. Please return this form to the DOCOF Treasurer, along with your dues. Application will not be processed without payment of dues upfront.

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Dues paid for year: [] Dues paid: \$75 \$80 Check no.: []

Please make the check payable to DOCOF

Please mail to: Jeanette Rogers, Treasurer, 4391 Berkshire Road, Saint James City, FL 33956

Result of vote: Approved: ___ Rejected: ___ Date: _____

Signed: _____

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