



**MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS
RIVER REGION POUND 363
BYLAWS**

PREAMBLE

These Bylaws at no time will change or take away any Bylaw set forth in the Kennel or Pack bylaws. These Pound Bylaws are enacted to see that every Dog in Pound 363 is treated fairly and equally. They are for the good of the Pound and its members.

ARTICLE 1 - MEMBERSHIP

- A. Candidates for membership to the Pound must be presented by a Pound member and approved by the Pound at a Growl prior to extending an invitation to join. Candidates may not attend this presentation.
- B. New members must be voted on by the membership of Pound 363 at a Pound Growl according to Kennel By-Laws Article I, Section C.
- C. Annual Pound dues will be set and approved by a majority of the membership attending a Growl in which a quorum of members is in attendance. Dues will be set no later than 1 August for the following Pound Year.
- D. Dues are due on 1 September following the Supreme Growl. Dues for all Non-life Members in Pound 363 shall include Pack and Kennel dues. If dues are not paid before 1 January Pound Dues will include a Late Fee.

ARTICLE II - POUND

- A. A Quorum of Pound 363 shall be considered to be at least 1/3 or more members attending Pound Growl.
- B. Any officer in Pound 363 who absents himself or herself from two consecutive growls without prior notification, unless the absence has been approved by the Pound Keeper, shall have that office declared vacant by the Pound Keeper and the Pound Keeper shall appoint a new officer as stated in the Kennel Bylaws.

ARTICLE 111- AWARDS

(Since the Pound is newly formed the following provision will be assigned to a member by the Pound Keeper to exercise in the initial year of the Pound. After 2014, the below provision will be followed.)

A. POUND DOG OF THE YEAR

The selection Committee for the Pound Dog of the Year award shall consist of all former recipients. The Chair of this committee shall be the most junior Pound Dog of the Year. Any member may forward a nomination for Pound Dog of the Year to the Committee for consideration.

Discussion by the Committee concerning the award shall be held strictly to the work performed by the dogs so nominated. The personal likes and dislikes of any dog nominated shall not be discussed, tolerated or allowed at any time. Discussion should be the Pound activities in which the dog participated. All Devil Dogs of Pound 363 shall be eligible for this award. Only one Pound Dog of the Year will be elected by the Committee.

The Committee may forward the Pound 363 Pound Dog of the Year to the Pack as a nomination for Pack Dog of the Year. The nomination for Pack Dog of the Year will be at the discretion of the convening Pack Pound Dog of the Year Committee.

No discussion about the working and discussions of the Committee will be public at any time. Doing so may be punishable by discipline.

B. All other Pound awards are at the discretion of the Pound Keeper. Such awards may include Certificates of Appreciation and Pound Keepers Commendations.

ARTICLE IV-DISCIPLINE

Including all Kennel and Pack offenses, this article will strengthen the right to discipline where the oath of the Military Order of the Devil Dog unequivocally is circumvented such as when another member or member's family is wronged or injured by word, act or deed. This oath is to be strictly adhered to, especially at election time and selection of Awards. Every member should be elected or receive an Award on their merit, not at the discredit of others.

1. **CHARGES:** Any such charge can and should be filed with the Dog Robber by submitting triplicate copies as so defined under Kennel Bylaws. The charges will distribute as by the Directive.
2. **PROCEDURE:** These shall be carried out according to the Kennel Bylaws.

ARTICLE V-FINES

- A. No fine shall be in violation of the Kennel Bylaws or guidelines. Each infraction in Pound 363, shall be one small Bone, with a maximum of two small bones for one incident. The Dog may be fined for other infractions or disruptions during in the Growl.

ARTICLE VI-ADVANCEMENTS

- A. No Dog in Pound 363 shall advance a Degree without attending a minimum of four Pound 363 Growls in the 12 months prior to his/her advancement. The Dog must also have participated in Pound functions.
- B. The Pound members shall discuss the advancement and vote whether to recommend advancement.

The following elected officers and members of the MILITARY ORDER OF THE DEVIL DOGS, RIVER REGION POUND 363 approve these Bvla~s on

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Pound Keeper E.	POD Ronald Balkcom	
Senior Vice	PDD Richard Davis	<u>Richard Davis</u>
Junior Vice	PDD Paul Williamson	<u>Paul R Williamson</u>
Smart Dog	PDD George Morris	<u>George Morris</u>
Dog Robber	PDD Richard McClain	<u>Richard L. McClain</u>
Dog Trainer	DD Dan Newcomer	<u>Dan Newcomer</u>
Mad Dog	PDD Don Fisher	<u>Donald R. Fisher</u>
Police & Watch Dog	DD Nancy Burtron	<u>Nancy Burtron</u>
Barking Dog	PUP Keith Lanford	<u>Keith G. Lanford</u>
Member	DD Robert Johnson	
Member	DD Michael Perry	
Member	Pup Matthew Gibson	<u>Matthew Gibson</u>
Member	Pup Tom Ballow	<u>Tom Ballow</u>
Member	Pup Stewart Williams	<u>Stewart Williams</u>
Member	Pup Joe Dawkins	<u>Joe M. Dawkins</u>
Member	Pup Charles Harris	<u>Charles Harris</u>