

# ANATOLIAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF AMERICA

## AKC OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD NOMINATION FORM GUIDELINES

ASDCA BOD Approved 10/7/15

### Award Nominations Guidelines:

1. The ASDCA BOD shall only bestow the award on an individual(s) when that person(s) is deemed truly worthy of the distinguished honor.
2. The OUSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD shall not be considered an annual award. It will only be presented when a qualified ASDCA member is identified.
3. The nominee(s) has been a full member in good standing with the ASDCA and the AKC.
4. Award Nominations must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the ASDCA by a July 1 deadline. The Secretary will immediately forward all nomination letters to the ASDCA BOD allowing the BOD Members ample time to review and properly evaluate nomination letters.
5. Award Nomination letters can be submitted by any member of the ASDCA in good standing.
  - a. The nomination letter will not exceed 1000 words.
  - b. The nomination letter will articulate that the nominee meets the stated requirements.
  - c. The nomination letter will provide a description the acts deemed to exemplify the AKC Code of Sportsmanship.
6. Individual actions to consider when determining the qualifications (merit) of the Outstanding Sportsmanship award nominee(s) should be identified directly in the AKC Code of Sportsmanship (see back of this form). These actions should be detailed in the nomination letter.
7. The ASDCA is permitted to recognize **up to one person annually** for acts of sportsmanship and stewarding the sport of purebred dogs into the future.

### **TO SUBMIT AN OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD NOMINATION:**

The Nomination Form must be completely filled out and the Outstanding Sportsmanship Award Nomination Letter (1000 word limit) attached to the nomination form and submitted to the ASDCA Secretary by the July 1 deadline.

NAME OF NOMINEE: (PLEASE PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING THE LETTER OF NOMINATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE# \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

**Be sure to attach the Award Nomination Letter to this nomination form. To the best of your knowledge, this information is true and factual.**

**JULY 1 DEADLINE. MAIL THE NOMINATION FORM AND AWARD NOMINATION LETTER TO:**

**ASDCA Secretary, Sally Angelucci**

2923 Upper Loomis Brook Road  
Walton, NY 13856

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## **AKC CODE OF SPORTSMANSHIP**

***PREFACE: The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companion. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.***

- ***Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.***
- ***Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.***
- ***Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.***
- ***The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.***
- ***The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.***
- ***The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.***
- ***The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.***
- ***The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.***
- ***Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.***
- ***Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.***
- ***Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.***
- ***Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.***
- ***Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.***
- ***Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.***
- ***Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.***