



AMERICAN  
KENNEL CLUB®

# Canine Legislation Position Statement

## USE OF DOGS IN SPORTING, WORKING AND COMPETITION ACTIVITIES

The American Kennel Club® encourages and strongly supports the interaction and mutual enjoyment of owners and dogs in sporting activities such as hunting and field trials; in working circumstances such as herding, tracking, and pulling; and in competition events such as dog shows, obedience trials, agility trials, and other performance events and tests. The AKC® believes that dogs should be properly cared for, humanely trained, and not pushed beyond reasonable limits for which they were bred.