



# Vizsla Club of America

## *National Specialty*

### *Iron Dog Competition*

**April 27–May 2, 2023**

Welcome to our ninth annual Vizsla Iron Dog Competition at the National Specialty Events. In celebration of our versatile Vizslas, this competition highlights the wide-ranging abilities of the breed. Entries in Iron Dog are open to AKC-registered Vizslas, including spayed and neutered dogs of all ages. Iron Dog points accumulate from classes entered in Conformation, Rally, Obedience, Agility, and Scent Work. After all competitions are completed, the overall winners will be crowned.

Dog-and-handler teams will collect points from 4 of the 5 venues. If a team competes in all 5 venues, their best 4 scores will be used toward the final Iron Dog results. Conformation, Obedience, and Agility are the 3 mandatory venues. Rally and Scent Work are the 2 flex venues, which may be dropped. (For example, if you competed in 2 of the 3 mandatory venues and 2 flex venues, you would earn 2 mandatory venue scores, 1 mandatory venue penalty score of zero, and 1 flex score for a total point count from 4 venues.)

Professional handlers will be allowed; however, amateur owners will receive a 30-point bonus added to their conformation score for handling their own dogs in all venues. Any professional handler who is listed as an owner and handles the dog in all other Iron Dog events is eligible for the bonus.

**AWARDS:** Gold, silver, and bronze medals and ribbons will be awarded to the top three point earners.

#### **RULES:**

- Only scores earned on designated National Specialty Event days will count.
- To be eligible in the companion events, the dog must be entered at the level in which it is currently competing in AKC events.
- A dog may be entered in any or all of the companion event types. Its highest score from the events will be used in Iron Dog scoring (e.g., Conformation would use the dog's highest placement in Sweepstakes or Conformation and its best score in Rally Excellent or Rally Advanced).
- Handlers who reside in the same household and share a dog may split handling (e.g., one owner handles in Obedience and another in Agility) and still receive the owner-handler bonus. Professional handlers may not split handling with co-owners.
- Handlers who reside in different households and split the handling of a dog are not eligible for the amateur bonus.
- Overall tiebreaker: We will use Agility times. Averaging the JWW and STD rounds, the dog with the fastest clean run in yards per second wins.

**SCORING:** A perfect score is 1,000. There are 250 points available in each venue: Agility, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work, and Conformation (only 4 of the 5 venues will count.)

**Agility:** Jumpers and Standard scores will be added together plus any achievement bonuses. Master dogs earn achievement bonuses with speed points for each second under the course time to a maximum of 20 points. Preferred dogs will divide their speed bonus points in half.

For the purposes of the Iron Dog score tabulations only, the following penalties will be applied to faulted rounds:

- “**R**” – Refusal/run-out, 5 penalty points
- “**W**” – Wrong course, 5 penalty points
- “**T**” – Pause table fault, 5 penalty points
- “**F**” – Failure to perform, 10 penalty points
- “**E**” – Excusal (NQ), 0-point score for class

The following achievement bonuses will be added to your Agility score for a maximum of 250 points:

- **10 points** for Open (10 points per event, i.e., 20 points for JWW and STD)
- **15 points** for Excellent (15 points per event, i.e., 30 points for JWW and STD)
- **15 points** for Master (15 points per event, i.e., 30 points for JWW and STD)
- **0–20 speed points** (seconds under time)—minimum of 0 and maximum of 20 points combined from JWW and STD. (Preferred dogs can earn a maximum of 10 points.) Speed points apply only to clean rounds in Master JWW and STD.

**Obedience:** Of the 250 possible points, 20 points can be earned for participation plus your highest Obedience score. Should you receive an NQ, the points you did earn will contribute to your score. The following achievement bonuses will be added to your score:

- **5 points** for Novice or Veteran
- **10 points** for Graduate Novice or Preferred Open
- **15 points** for Open
- **20 points** for Graduate Open or Preferred Utility or Versatility
- **30 points** for Utility

**Rally:** Of the 250 possible points, 130 points can be earned for participation plus your highest Rally score. Should you receive an NQ, the points you did earn will contribute to your score. The following achievement bonuses will be added to your score:

- **5 points** for Intermediate
- **10 points** for Advanced
- **15 points** for Excellent
- **20 points** for Master

**Scent Work:** Of the 250 possible points, 120 points can be earned for participation plus one score each for the 5 separate elements (interior, exterior, containers, buried, and HD-handler discrimination). For each dog competing, points from only one Scent Work Trial are counted. The following achievement bonuses will be added to your score per element participated in:

- **5 points** for Advanced
- **10 points** for Excellent
- **15 points** for Master
- **20 points** for Detective

Additionally, the following placement bonuses will be awarded per element:

- **11 points** for High in Trial or High Combined (not both) at any level
- **4 points** for First Place
- **3 points** for Second Place
- **2 points** for Third Place
- **1 point** for Fourth Place

**Conformation:** Points from your highest score in Sweepstakes or Conformation class will apply. A special Iron Dog Non-Regular class, designated as “Iron Dog” or “Iron Bitch” on the AKC entry form, will be offered for judging of non-eligible dogs (i.e., spayed or neutered). Such altered dogs age 8 and over must be entered in Veterans, Stud Dog, Brood Bitch, and Brace classes do not earn points for Iron Dog.

Of the 250 possible points, 150 points can be earned for participation, 30 points for an owner-handler (see Notes), plus additional points for the following bonus categories:

- **1 point** for each dog defeated in a class for a maximum of 25 points
- **35 points** for Best of Opposite Sweeps or Best Veteran Dog/Bitch in Sweeps
- **40 points** for Best in Sweeps
- **45 points** for Reserve Winners Dog or Reserve Winners Bitch
- **50 points** for Winners Dog or Winners Bitch
- **55 points** for Award of Merit or Best of Winners
- **60 points** for Select Dog or Select Bitch
- **65 points** for Best of Opposite
- **70 points** for Best of Breed

**NOTES:**

- Add 30 points for amateur owners/co-owners handling their own dogs in all venues.
- Add 30 points for professional handlers listed as owners handling their own dogs in all venues.
- Any dog excused from a class will receive a 0-point score for that class.
- Running totals of scores will be posted daily in a prominent location.
- Entry-level classes (Novice Agility, Beginner Novice, Preferred-Novice Obedience, Rally Novice, and Novice Scent Work) are not eligible for achievement bonus points.

**Iron Dog Committee**

Gail Fleming  
Jenny Follett

Heather Jackson  
Carol Keller

Ginger Sammonds  
Jamie Walton

**Registration Fee:** The Iron Dog registration fee is \$30.00 per dog plus the cost of all classes.

# National Specialty Iron Dog Competition Registration Form



Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

AKC Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Call Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Breeder \_\_\_\_\_

Sire \_\_\_\_\_

Dam \_\_\_\_\_

Handler \_\_\_\_\_ Owner-Handled (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_

Agility Classes \_\_\_\_\_

Obedience Classes \_\_\_\_\_

Rally Classes \_\_\_\_\_

Scent Work Classes \_\_\_\_\_

Conformation/Sweepstakes Classes \_\_\_\_\_

Short Bio & Photo (100 words) \_\_\_\_\_

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The Iron Dog registration fee is \$30.00 per dog. To earn Iron Dog points, you must enter individual classes. For Agility, enter through K-9 Sports at <https://k-9sports.com> (Secretary Lori Sage) or through AKC Online Services. For Obedience, Rally, and Conformation, enter through BaRay Events at <https://barayevents.com>. For Scent Work, enter through My Dogs Gym Event Services at <http://www.mydoggym.com>. We appreciate emails with the registration form and the dog's bio with a photo; but if you are entering online, please remember to mail your \$30.00 registration check payable to VCA National Events to the following:

**Jamie Walton**

256 W. 8th Street  
Claremont, CA 91711  
(909) 730-0065

Email: [Jamie@professionaldesign.org](mailto:Jamie@professionaldesign.org)

**ENTRY DEADLINE: April 12, 2023**

*We are looking forward to another fun event.*



# 2023 Iron Dog Logo Merchandise






	Embroidered Iron Dog Logo Items	Color	Size	Cost	Qty.	Total
 Heather Royal	<b>Sport-Tek Ladies' Sport-Wick Stretch 1/2 Zip Pullover—LST850</b> 6.8 oz., 90/100 poly/spandex An extremely flexible layer with a soft-brushed backing and moisture control for year-round comfort. <i>Colors: White, Black, True Royal, Heather Royal, Charcoal Grey &amp; Heather Gray</i> <b>Sizes: XS–4XL</b>			\$42.00		
 Black	<b>Sport-Tek Men's Sport-Wick Stretch 1/2 Zip Pullover—ST850</b> 6.8 oz., 90/100 poly/spandex An extremely flexible layer with a soft-brushed backing and moisture control for year-round comfort. <i>Colors: Black, Charcoal Grey, True Royal, Heather Royal &amp; Charcoal Heather Grey</i> <b>Sizes: XS–4XL</b>			\$42.00		
 Heather Charcoal	<b>District Made Men's Perfect Blend Crew Tee DM108</b> 4.3 oz., 50/50 cotton/poly, 100% pure tee perfection <i>Colors: Heather White, Heather Royal &amp; Heather Charcoal</i> <b>Sizes: XS–4XL</b>			\$16.00		
 Heather White	<b>District Made Ladies' Perfect Blend Crew Tee DM108L</b> 4.3 oz., ring-spun, combed cotton/poly We mixed one part comfort and one part style. <i>Colors: Heather White &amp; Heather Charcoal</i> <b>Sizes: XS–4XL</b>			\$16.00		
 Heather White	<b>District Made Ladies' Perfect Blend V-Neck Tee DM1090L</b> 4.3 oz., ring-spun combed cotton/poly We mixed one part comfort and one part style. <i>Colors: Heather White, Heather Royal &amp; Heather Charcoal</i> <b>Sizes: XS–4XL</b>			\$17.00		
 Iron Grey	<b>Port Authority Value Fleece Jacket F217—Men's &amp; Women's</b> 13.8 oz., 100% polyester Exceptionally soft, midweight fleece. <i>Colors: Winter White (Women's only), Black, Iron Grey &amp; True Royal</i> <b>Sizes: XS–6XL (Small upcharge for 2XL–6XL)</b>			\$45.00		



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	Embroidered Iron Dog Logo Items	Color	Size	Cost	Qty.	Total
	<b>Deluxe Washed Cotton Twill Hat – 18-692</b> 100% cotton The great classic look and lightweight feel make this low-profile cap an all-round favorite. <i>Colors: Black, Royal &amp; White</i>			\$20.00		
	<b>Port Authority Lunch Bag Cooler BG500</b> Take your lunch in this cooler that has a heat-sealed, water-resistant lining for easy cleanup. Side mesh pocket. <i>Color: Twilight Blue</i> <b>Dimensions: 10.5”h x 7.5”w x 6”d</b>			\$22.00		
	<b>Bella + Canvas Unisex Jersey Short Sleeve Tee BC3001</b> 100% airlume combed & ringspun cotton/poly <i>Colors: Vintage White, True Royal, Vintage Black, and Storm</i> <b>Sizes: XS–4XL</b>			\$16.00		

## Iron Dog Merchandise Order Form

*Pre-Orders Only*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Iron Dog Logo Cell Phone Cover      Total Quantity \_\_\_\_ @ \$55.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Iron Dog Logo Sportswear              Total Sportswear Order                      = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make check payable to VCA-NE Iron Dog      \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Send sportswear choices and this order form with a check to the following:*

**Jamie Walton – Iron Dog**

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**Order deadline is Wednesday, April 5, 2023**

*All orders will be available for pickup at the Nationals.*

# Custom Iron Dog Cell Phone Covers



## Extra-Durable Case with Impact-Resistant Bumper—\$55

This form-fitting, durable case with an impact-resistant silicone bumper adds up to great style and security for your phone. The integrated two-piece design safely cradles your phone, adding protection while complementing its fun look.

*Join the Iron Dog craze and order your custom cover today!*

You can personalize it with your name or your dog's name.

Personalization \_\_\_\_\_ (30 characters maximum)

Phone type (please circle):

iPhone 14 ProMax	iPhone SE	iPhone 11	Samsung Galaxy S22 Ultra	Samsung Galaxy S20 5G
iPhone 14 Pro	iPhone 12 Mini	iPhone 11 Pro	Samsung Galaxy S22+	Samsung Galaxy S10+
iPhone 14	iPhone 12	iPhone 11 ProMax	Samsung Galaxy S22	Samsung Galaxy S10e
iPhone 14 Plus	iPhone 12 Pro	iPhone 8/8 Plus	Samsung Galaxy S21 Ult.5G	Samsung Galaxy S10
iPhone 13 Mini	iPhone 12 ProMax	iPhone 7/8	Samsung Galaxy S21 5G+	Samsung Galaxy S9+
iPhone 13	iPhone XR	iPhone 7/8 Plus	Samsung Galaxy S21 5G	Samsung Galaxy S9
iPhone 13 Pro	iPhone XS Max	iPhone 6/6s Plus	Samsung Galaxy S20 Ult.5G	Samsung Galaxy S8+
iPhone 13 ProMax	iPhone X/XS	iPhone 6/6s	Samsung Galaxy S20 5G+	Samsung Galaxy S8
				Samsung Galaxy S7

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