

# **The Super Retriever Series Super Dock**

## **Mission Statement**

*The mission of the Super Retriever Series (SRS) Super Dock is to facilitate and promote canine sports allowing, both dogs and their handlers, different levels of play and help to develop the best all-around team. SRS provides a fun, safe and competitive format that supports dogs and handlers at all skill levels.*

## **Code of Conduct**

Competitors and SUPER RETRIEVER SERIES (SRS) event personnel shall, always, be expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the values, objectives, and positive image of the sport and The Super Retriever Series.

All SRS event personnel, competitors, and volunteers in attendance on the grounds of an SRS event are subject to the jurisdiction of the SRS Rules. The act of participation in an SRS event as a competitor or volunteer signifies understanding of and agreement to abide by the Rules.

All competitors acknowledge through their entry to an SRS event that participating in a sanctioned or SRS Club-affiliated event is a privilege and not a right.

SRS maintains jurisdiction over misconduct that may occur off the event grounds or outside event hours, only if the misconduct is reasonably related to the event. This shall be interpreted as broadly as is necessary to regulate such off-grounds misconduct as social media abuse, abuse of hotel/motel rooms by persons attending the event and/or abuse of a dog entered in the event, including but not limited to, any action or activity that is perceived or deemed detrimental to SRS.

## **SRS SUPER DOCK RULES AND REGULATIONS**

All decisions made by the SRS Running Rules Committee will be final in all matters. The governing body of officials may make a change to these rules when the safety of a team, the integrity of a specific test, or the sport of Dock Jumping within the Super Retriever Series is in question.

## **Competitor's Meeting**

All handlers will sign an indemnity and liability waiver during the registration process at the event before participating on the dock

All competitors are required to attend the handlers briefing prior to the beginning of the entered competition. At this meeting, the handlers will receive their running order. Competitors may leave the meeting once the running order has been announced. If the handler misses the meeting they will be scratched from that splash. Handlers are encouraged to ask questions and to “question” all rules.

## **Dock Specifications**

- Dock length: 40 feet minimum
- Pool Length: 40 feet long minimum by 20 feet wide and 4 feet deep
- Dock Height from water: 24 inches from the surface of the dock
- SRS Approved surface of Dock

## **General Rules**

All games on the dock are open to any age handler and all dogs, regardless of their breed. Dogs must be at least 6 months of age to compete or participate in fun jumps.

An SRS “Single Team” consists of 1 dog and 1 handler. Only 1 person is allowed on the dock during competition with the dog. Having an additional person off the dock assisting in the dog performance is not permitted during a Single Team competition.

An SRS “Doubles Team” consists of 1 dog and 2 handlers. All “Teams” will allow you to be eligible for UKC titles if you are registered with UKC. (SEE UKC DOCK TITLES)

All dogs must be on a six-foot leash or shorter and all dogs must be separated by no less than 8 feet. Choke or prong collars will be allowed on dogs going up to the dock, coming off the dock, and on the premises, but must be removed while the dog is on the dock during either practice or competition jumps. The use of E-collars or retractable/flexi leads is not permitted on site. Dogs that are not competing, must be restrained on a leash or safely kenneled.

Owners must have dogs’ vet/health records available if requested by SRS event personnel. It is up to the Handler to be aware of local and state regulations on immunization.

Handlers are responsible for cleaning up after their dog. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.

Dogs in season will not be allowed to compete. If a competitor attempts to bring a dog in season to the dock, that team will be immediately disqualified from that competition. If the handler attempts to compete at another event during the year with a dog in season, they will be barred from competing for the remainder of the competition year including the SRS Crown Championship.

The SRS Event staff may prohibit a dog from practice/competition that appears to be injured for the day or the entire event. If a dog is dismissed due to injury, a refund may be issued for all splashes following the splash in which the injury was identified. A vet note must be received within seven days from the end of the event.

No dog may be pushed, thrown, blocked, or otherwise forced off the dock. The SRS event staff has the right to prohibit any competitor who is pushing/throwing their dog off the dock from competing at the event.

If a dog has problems getting out of the pool, it is the handler's responsibility to get him/her out of the pool. Handlers are not allowed to enter the pool.

If a dog snaps or growls aggressively at any spectator, fellow competitor, or SRS staff member, it is at the SRS event staff's discretion whether to let the dog continue to compete.

Unsportsmanlike behavior or abuse/harsh correction to a dog (as determined by the Super Dock Organizer) will not be tolerated. One Verbal warning will be given prior to disqualification. Continued unsportsmanlike behavior, will result in you being asked to leave the venue and all jumps/fees will be forfeited.

- Sportsmanship unbecoming - If a competitor exhibits behavior that the judges consider unsportsmanlike, that competitor and all of his/her dogs running that event may be disqualified from that event. All instances of unsportsmanlike conduct may be reviewed by the Rules Committee and result in a "Letter" from the SRS board. Members may also receive letters for sportsmanship unbecoming for interfering with SRS Rules Committee investigations, attempting to intimidate or unduly influence SRS officials to include SRS Rules Committee members, using digital media platforms to post negative information concerning the Super Retriever Series, and providing false information to the SRS Rules Committee.

Letters will be used to inform the handler of further penalties for their conduct. Penalties may include a warning, a forfeit of prizes/money, suspension at the SRS, and/or permanent loss of SRS involvement. Three (3) letters from the SRS will result in an automatic suspension at the SRS.

## **COMPETITION GUIDELINES**

Online registration for the event will be available until the night before competition is set to begin. Online registration will be done via google doc or jot form that will be listed under the event page of SRS facebook. On site registration will be available 1 hour prior to the competition, pending there are open spots. When online registration closes, competitors can register in person at the event, prior to the recorded start of the competition. There are a limited number of jumps available and registration will close when all available jumps have been taken, so early registration is recommended.

The competition dock times will be listed in the Schedule of Events on the website and under events on Facebook/SuperRetrieverSeries. Dock times listed on the schedule of events may change based on various factors, it is the competitor's responsibility to verify the schedule on-site and each splash time.

No practicing will be allowed without SRS personnel present. If the bar is up, the dock is closed, and all practice is prohibited.

All handlers should be prepared to be on camera and should dress accordingly.

There is no limit to the number of dogs that a handler can register or can advance to the final round. However, if you and another individual are jumping the same dog in a Singles Team and both make it to the final round in the same division, you will have to choose a handler to participate in that final round. The dog will only be allowed to jump with one handler in the final round.

All decisions made by the Super Dock organizer and/or tournament officials will be final in all matters. The tournament director and/or tournament officials may make a change to these rules when the safety of a team or the integrity of the Super Retriever Series is in question.

## **SRS SUPER DOCK EVENTS AND DIVISIONS**

### **SRS SUPER FLY**

Super Fly is the canine version of the long jump in track and field. You will place your dog anywhere on the dock, throw their favorite toy and your dog will jump. The dog's jump is measured in feet and inches from where the base of its tail meets the water. The best of 2 jumps is recorded. Top Jumps will excel in the competition. Super Fly has at least 5 splashes in a weekend and has many different divisions to compete in.

A dog can be registered in Super Fly as either a Single Team or a Double Team but the same dog cannot compete in both Super Fly divisions at the same event.

Running order is determined randomly by the Super Dock Organizer and will be posted in the staging area.

Teams will be staged in a specified area. If your name is called and you are not in the staging area ready to jump your dog, your jump will be forfeited.

Each qualifying round consists of two jumps. Each team will complete one jump rotation or back-to-back rotation. This will be decided by the Super Dock Organizer prior to each splash.

There will be a 1-minute time limit on the dock per jump for all Division teams with exception of the Tyke division. There will be a 2- minute time limit for the Tyke division. If the dog has not jumped or is not in forward motion at the end of the 1-minute, then they have disqualified that jump.

Your longest jump of the weekend will determine your placement in Finals.

Your dog will qualify in their division at each event based on their jumps for that event. If in finals, your dog jumps up into a higher division, your final placement will be based on the division you jump in during the final round. For example, if you are in the Novice Division and during finals, your dog jumps 12 feet, your placement will be in the Junior Division.

### SRS SuperFly – Single Team

SuperFly Single Novice - Distance 1" - 9' 11"

SuperFly Single Junior - Distance 10' - 14' 11"

SuperFly Single Senior - Distance 15' - 19' 11"

SuperFly Single Pro - Distance 20' – 24' 11"

SuperFly Single Pro Elite - Distance 25' – 29' 11"

SuperFly Single Marvel - Distance 30' and above

### SRS SuperFly – Double Team

SuperFly Double Novice - Distance 1" - 9' 11"

SuperFly Double Junior - Distance 10' - 14' 11"

SuperFly Single Double Senior - Distance 15' - 19' 11"

SuperFly Single Double Pro - Distance 20' – 24' 11"

SuperFly Single Double Pro Elite - Distance 25' – 29' 11"

SuperFly Single Double Marvel - Distance 30' and above

### SRS SuperFly Specialty Competition Divisions

Tyke Fly - Human handlers up to 12 years old

Mini Fly – Dogs 16" at the withers and below (Single or Double Team)

Silver Fly - Dogs 9 to 11 years old (Single or Double Team)

## Platinum Fly - 12 years old and above (Single or Double Team)

Specialty Divisions are for our special populations of handlers and dogs.

The Tyke division is open to any handler under the age of 12 and must have an adult on the dock with them.

- Tyke Fly - Human handlers up to 12 years old (Double Team only)

The Mini-Fly division is for dogs that measure 16" at the withers or below. The SRS Event Staff reserves the right to measure any dog competing in this division at any event.

- Mini Fly – Dogs 16" at the withers and below (Single or Double Team).

SRS celebrates our senior canine competitors. All dogs will be eligible to compete in the below divisions at the first event following their documented date of birth. It is up to the competitor to inform the SRS event staff when their dog has met the milestone.

- Silver Fly - Dogs 9 to 11 years old (Single or Double Team)
- Platinum Fly - Dogs 12 years old and above (Single or Double Team)

A tie in the final round will be determined by the second jump.

Placement awards are given out to 1st – 3rd place for all SRS divisions at SRS qualifying events. Dogs who place in 1st – 3rd place will all qualify and automatically be invited to the SRS Crown Championship for the current year.

Scoring System - An electronic scoring system will be used in the Super Retriever Series Crown Championship competitions. Regular competition will be manually judged by a certified judge or electronic scoring system.

## Division Entry

\$25.00 per Splash

- 2 jumps per team / per Splash
- Space limited to first 50 teams (in all divisions)

## **SUPER V / VERTICAL**

Super V is the canine High jump in track and field. The competition is about how high a dog can jump!

A handler can bring their dog into Super V Fly at any height. Dogs competing in the Super V Pro, ProElite, and Marvel divisions, can start a maximum of 4 inches below the starting height of their division.

## Objective

The object of the competition is to have the dog utilize any portion of the dock to run, jump and successfully remove the bumper from the Extender. If a dog is successful at removing the bumper, the dog advances on to the next round. A successful removal of the bumper is defined as the dog grabbing the object and carrying it into the water or the dog knocking it off the Extender and having it fall into the water. A dog must have a successful removal of the bumper, either in the first or second attempt, to advance to the next round.

## SRS SuperV/Vertical

SuperV Nova – Heights 4’6” to 6’2”

SuperV Pro – Heights 6’4” to 7’0”

SuperV ProElite – Heights 7’2” to 8’0”

SuperV Pro Marvel – Heights 8’0” or higher

Once you begin jumping, you will be allowed a maximum of 2 passes. If your dog jumps into the higher division, then you will place in the higher division.

Points will be calculated to determine the final placement of all dogs –

2 points - Successful grab on 1st attempt

1 point – Successful grab on 2nd attempt

0 - Pass

x - Miss (2 Total Misses is an out or two at the same height)

The starting heights of the Vertical competitions are listed above. Each round height will increase by 2”. Dry dogs will jump first at the beginning of each height.

## Required Equipment

SRS will use an official Vertical Extender. The Vertical Extender suspends a bumper exactly 8’ out from the end of the dock and is adjustable in height. The bumper will be suspended from the Extender so that it is parallel to the surface of the water and perpendicular to the path of the dog.

The bumper used in competition will be provided by SRS and will be approximately 1-1/2 inches in diameter and 12 inches long.

All Super V competitors will have 1 minute on the dock.

If multiple teams are tied for 1st place in points, there will be a jump-off to determine the winner. Each dog will get one (1) attempt during the jump-off.

All rules stated will be in effect for the Super Retriever Series. All decisions made by the Super Dock organizer and/or tournament officials will be final in all matters. The tournament director and/or tournament officials may make a change to these rules when the safety of a team or the integrity of the Super Retriever Series is in question.

## Division Entry

\$25.00 per Splash

- Space limited to first 30 teams (in all divisions)

## RAIDER RUN

Raider Run is all about speed! Any dog that loves to retrieve is a candidate for this game. Dogs and handlers will be timed by a stopwatch, from the time the countdown ends to the time they reach the determined finish line.

- \$25.00 splash fee for each Raider Run Competition.

Each team will get 1 minute on the dock. Upon stepping up onto the dock, the bumper will be splashed several times by the official bumper hanger so the dog can mark the bumper. Start line will be set at the 10 ft mark on the dock. A dog's front paws must be at and behind the 10 ft mark. Countdown will start when the handler gives a thumbs up or a verbal 'READY' to the announcer. Time will start when the announcer states 1 of the "3,2,1" countdown. If the handler releases the dog prior to the "1" then they will have the opportunity to recall the dog one time only if the dog has not jumped into the pool. Otherwise, the time is counted as a "0.00."

Dog will swim to the bumper extended from the end of the pool, take the bumper and head back to the ramp. Time will stop once the dog's nose crosses the designated finish line.

The designated finish line will be as follows –

- 10-foot mark in a 40-foot pool
- 15-foot mark in a 45-foot pool
- 20-foot mark in a 50-foot pool

Finish line will be determined so that dogs don't slow down as they approach the ramp.



Each qualifying round consists of two jumps. Each team will complete one jump rotation or back-to-back rotation. This will be decided by the Super Dock Organizer.

No toys will be used to entice the dog at the end of the dock or pool. A toy can be used at the base of the stairs to encourage the dog to release the raider run bumper.

While supporting and cheering for a dog is encouraged, individuals not on the dock are not allowed to call the dog by name. This is considered double handling and can only be utilized with a new team at club/non-Crown events who is learning the sport but their time for that run will not be considered for final placement at that event.

### SRS Raider Run

RR Pro – over 18.01 seconds

RR ProElite – 16.01 – 17.99 seconds

RR Pro Marvel – under 16 seconds

Semifinals will consist of the top 12 teams, and Finals will consist of the top 6 teams. The Raider Run is open to all dogs.

### Division Entry

\$25.00 per Splash

- 2 jumps per team / per Splash
- Space limited to first 30 teams (in all divisions)

### FUN JUMP

A Fun Jump is an open dock for all dogs/individuals present to participate. Many of the SRS venues request Fun Jumps for new folks and the local population to allow their dogs to try the sport. Many newcomers have come in and won an Novice division . There is no fee for Fun Jumps, however, all participants must sign a waiver.

Each team will have a 2 – 3-minute time limit on the dock. All seasoned competitors must be patient during this time as they learn the Rules of the Dock and introduce the wonderful sport of Dock Jumping to their canine companions and encourage the growth of our sport. SRS has found that dock folks are the most wonderful teachers so don't be shy about offering assistance and positive reinforcement.

This is also a practice time for the registered competition dogs as well. All registered dry dogs will be given an opportunity to practice prior to the start of the competition if they are in line 10 minutes prior to the start of the competition.

## **SRS SUPER DOCK CROWN CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Super Dock Crown Championship is open to all teams who have placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd at the prior year's Crown Championship or 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3rd place at any qualifying event during the competition year.

### **Fees**

\$100.00 per Team

For the SuperFly competition, the team needs to identify as either a Single or Double team at registration, as a dog can not be in both the Single and Double divisions.

All dogs will compete in the Semi-Finals and the top 6 dogs in each division (according to their scores in the semi-finals) will advance to the Finals.

50% of entries will go to SRS and the other 50% will go to the top three placements in each division.

The winners of Finals will receive the following –

First Place – Trophy, Ribbon, and 60% of entry payout

Second Place – Ribbon and 30% of entry payout

Third Place – Ribbon and 10% of entry payout

## **UNITED KENNEL CLUB REFERENCES**

UKC Title Reference:

### **Distance**

United Novice Jumper (UNJ): 1" to 9'11"

United Junior Jumper (UJJ): 10' to 14'11"

United Senior Jumper (USJ): 15' to 19'11"

United Master Jumper (UMJ): 20' to 22' 5"

United Elite Jumper (UEJ): 22'6" and up

## **Vertical**

United Supreme Vertical (USV): 4'-5'11"

United Radical Vertical (URV): 6' and up.

You are eligible to earn your Champion and Grand Champion Dock titles as well.

For more information on UKC DOCK RULES <https://www.ukcdogs.com/dock-jumping-forms-rules>.

UKC REGISTRATION:

### **RULES & INFO FOR TL NUMBERS**

Entering a UKC Event = Dogs must be permanently registered, have a Performance Listing number (performance events & Junior Showmanship), or have a valid Temporary Listing Number.

Dogs not permanently registered - Dogs that are not permanently registered or do not have a UKC Performance Listing number must have a Temporary Listing number to enter UKC licensed events.

### **RULES APPLYING TO TEMPORARY LISTING (TL) NUMBERS**

Temporary Listing numbers are only valid at events licensed by Show Operations and the Pointing Dog events program.

Temporary Listing numbers may also be purchased and issued on the same day by calling Show Operations at UKC during regular business hours. All Temporary Listing numbers are non-refundable, non-transferable, and do not apply to the cost of permanent registration or Performance Listing numbers.

Temporary Listing Numbers must be assigned on or before the show date. TL Numbers that are issued after the event will be considered invalid.

TL numbers are not valid for events that have already occurred.

TL numbers may be used to enter as many UKC events licensed by Show Operations as the owner wishes before and until the dog is permanently registered or permanently listed with UKC. TL numbers are no longer valid once a dog is permanently registered or permanently listed with UKC.

Dogs permanently registered/listed that include the TL number on the application for registration/listing will automatically have any wins posted to their permanent record.

