

Below is the next in a series of Random Tidbits of information (from me) in regards to the AKC Obedience Regulations. Knowledge of the Regulations provides you the power for...

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Today's Random Little Tidbit – [Dog on Dog Attack!](#)

May I suggest printing this Tidbit series (94 & 95), cut out the text box, laminate it, and store in your attaché.

Below are the procedures to follow if there is a dog **on** dog attack in the ring, *or* show grounds.

Semper Paratus = Always ready! Are you?

What is the proper procedure to follow when a dog in your ring attacks another dog?



- ✓ **Chapter 1, Section 17** The judge **must excuse** a dog that attacks another dog and fill out the required 'Dog on Dog Attack' form (**AEDSQ3**) + The judge **must excuse** a dog that appears dangerous to other dogs.
See the updated language on AEDSQ3. (3 copies required)
<http://images.akc.org/pdf/AEDSQ3.pdf>.
- ✓ Remain calm and in control of your ring.
- ✓ Stop judging immediately.
- ✓ Have handler and dog remain in the ring but move to the side of the ring away from other people and dogs to wait for you.
- ✓ Fill out the form and give a brief description of what happened. Sign the form.
- ✓ Have the superintendent or secretary complete the dog/catalog information.
- ✓ Detach a copy and hand it to the exhibitor in the ring.
- ✓ Mark Judge's Book "**Excused**" and state the reason.
- ✓ Have handler and dog leave the ring.
- ✓ Obtain a copy of the report from the superintendent or secretary.
- ✓ Retain a copy with your judging records for at least six months.
- ✓ Resume judging
- ✓ Turn the matter over to the Event Committee for follow-up. Always do your job – **Excuse the dog**, and complete the form.
- ✓ Be Vigilant: If signs of aggression or potential problems when dogs are being assembled outside the ring for the Group exercise or once the dogs are brought into the ring the judge **must excuse** the dog and state the reason.
- ✓ Know where to find the AKC information booklets & forms.
<https://www.akc.org/downloadable-forms/#ObedienceEvents>