Training Days Policies

Training days are designed to help each chapter member train his or her dog. They are not designed for someone else to train your dog, but there will be experienced people there for you to request help and advice from. They are not there to train your dog for you so please come prepared to work and to help out as needed. The procedure to attend one of the Shenango training days is as follows:

1. If you want to attend a training day you are not required to call first unless you want to train your dog on birds provided by the Chapter. If you do, call the designated bird contact by 9:00 PM on the Wednesday before the training day. Training birds must be ordered at this time. We will do our best to fill your order, but there are no guarantees.

2. The chapter reserves the right to limit or modify the bird orders. The chapter will not accept orders for more birds than can be used at a single training session unless the designated contact determines he has the ability to make an exception.

3. Birds will be available at cost plus a small handling fee. If you are not able to attend, you will still be responsible for the cost of the birds unless another participant is willing to purchase them.

4. You should plan on bringing a carrier for any field birds that you may have ordered.

5. Birds will be divided up at the start of the clinic.

6. All payments (Checks Preferred) are due at the start of the training day.

7. All training day participants MUST wear Hunter orange hats or clothing while on the training grounds.

8. Guests and visitors will be allowed one free training day. After this the guest or visitor must join both the Shenango Chapter and NAVHDA International if he or she wishes to participate again. No Exceptions!

9. Shooting at SHENANGO events is an honor reserved for chapter members in good standing who (a) have demonstrated safe gun handling skills at a prior Shenango event; (b) have been active in the NAVHDA system; and (c) have an understanding of dog training that will allow them to know when a bird may be safely shot.

10. Under no circumstances may a guest or visitor shoot at a Shenango event. If you are not eligible to shoot someone will shoot for you.

11. Training days are not an extension of your hunting season. No extended field or duck searches are permitted. Keep your field and water sessions short and productive.

12. All chapter members will be limited to two dogs per clinic. All guests and visitors will be limited to one dog.

13. All policies regarding the use of the Shenango Training Grounds apply to all Chapter events. Please respect our chapter and grounds!