

K9 Search and Rescue Team Inc.

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Canine Aggression Towards Humans Policy

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Any canine associated with K-9 Search and Rescue Team Inc, in any capacity that:

1. Bites hard enough to break skin or mucus membrane;
2. Bites and tears clothing;
3. Bites and confuses tissue beyond specific tooth marks;
4. Lunges or growls aggressively.

shall be immediately retired from all K-9 functions.

Official report, Team member report, or public report shall document inappropriate aggressive behavior. Said report shall be verified by the Team Commnader or his/her designee as to accuracy.

The handler of such retired dog may appeal the dog's mandatory retirement to the Team by documenting unusual circumstances and remediation plan.

The Team's majority ruling shall be final.