



## **THE ALEXANDRA & DISTRICT DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB**

### **AGGRESSIVE DOG POLICY**

1. The Alexandra & District Dog Obedience Club Inc defines aggressive dog behaviour as:
  - a) any unprovoked aggressive lunging at another dog or person while on the club grounds.
  - b) any unprovoked attack – even if no injury occurs – on another dog or person, while on the club grounds.
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  - a) In the case of aggressive unprovoked lunging at another dog or person, the dog's handler will be requested, by the Committee, to have the dog wear a YELLOW COAT, at all times, while on the Club Grounds. The YELLOW COAT is a warning to other Club Members to respect the personal space of a dog wearing a YELLOW COAT.
  - b) In the case of unprovoked attack, the handler may be required by the Committee, to have the dog wear a SOFT MUZZLE, at all times, while on the Club Grounds. The SOFT MUZZLE provides safety for everyone on the Club Grounds as well as providing the dog's handler with reassurance and confidence.
3. The Committee of The Alexandra & District Dog Obedience Club Inc, retains the right to assess each case of Aggressive Dog Behaviour separately. The personal safety of all Club Members and their dogs is paramount. If the Committee assesses a dog as being a genuine threat, then the handler of that dog may be requested to resign from the club. This will be done in writing with the Committee's reasons clearly explained and suggestions will be provided as to where appropriate, professional assistance can be obtained.
4. Alexandra & District Dog Obedience Club (Inc) Instructors are experienced volunteers who provide socialization and obedience training for family dog companions.

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