



Invitation to IHF World Championship in Obedience on Saturday September 30, 2017

The Swedish Hovawart Club is happy to invite you to the IHF World Championship in obedience, IHF Winner OB1 and IHF Winner OB2.

The competitions will be held in Smygehuk “the southern tip of Sweden” situated 15 km east of the town of Trelleborg, easy to reach via the Oresund Bridge or by ferries from Germany and Poland or via other routes.

🌐 IHF World Championship OB3

Eligible for participation in the World Championship are all **members of a club which is a member club of the IHF** with a pedigree Hovawart or a Hovawart that is registered and certified at the FCI. The Hovawart can only be entered to compete if he has already participated successfully in the past in OB3 or if he has fulfilled the requirements to move up to OB3. The respective verifications, working book or corresponding certificates signed by the judge(s) have to be presented at the competition.

The maximum number of participants at the WC are 15 teams altogether. Every country belonging to the IHF is entitled to participate with at least one team. A country may enter more than one team and if there are more than 15 entries the selection criteria for the additional teams will be made by lottery amongst the countries having entered more than one candidate for the competition.

The competition will be held according to the Swedish Rules of Obedience as of January 1, 2017. The rules of OB3 correspond to FCI Rules and Guidelines for Obedience Trials for Class 3.

The title IHF World Champion in Obedience 2017 will be awarded to the most successful team that will meet the limit for passing an OB3 class.

Applications should be made by the competent breeders club using the enclosed form. Direct application from a team is not possible. Last day of entry and payment is Monday September 4, 2017. The application form should be sent to Torsten Lundström, hoffe2@telia.com. The fee, SEK 300 per entrance, shall be paid to the bank account of the Swedish Hovawart Club, South District – Swedbank. IBAN SE95 8000 0831 3953 4167 0064. BIC – SWEDSESS. The entrance fee is not refundable.

Any inquiries about the OB3 competition, please contact Fredrik Lövgren, fredrik@hoffe.eu.

🌐 IHF Winner OB1 and IHF Winner OB2

These two competitions will be held as a part of a Swedish Official Obedience Competition open for all breeds according to the Swedish Rules of Obedience as of January 1, 2017. These rules differ slightly from the corresponding FCI Rules. Any team interesting in participating should as soon as possible contact Susanne Ortmanns, susanne.ortmanns@gmail.com, for information about the Swedish rules and also about the formal requirements for participation. (A dog not registered with the Swedish Kennel Club need to apply for a license to compete in Sweden or re-register a license from its home country, a fee for this may be charged.)



In addition to the formal Swedish requirements a participant should be a **member of a club which is a member club of the IHF** with a pedigree Hovawart or a Hovawart that is registered and certified at the FCI.

Applications should be made by a team directly to Susanne Ortmanns at the latest on August 21, 2017 via e-mail. Susanne will thereafter assist with the formal application according to the Swedish regulations. Full details of the dog and its merits as well as full details of the handler should be included in the application.

The fee, SEK 250 per entrance for OB1 and SEK 250 per entrance for OB2, shall be paid to the bank account of the Swedish Hovawart Club, South District – Swedbank. IBAN SE95 8000 0831 3953 4167 0064. BIC – SWEDSESS. The entrance fee is not refundable. Payment shall be made after Susanne Ortmanns has confirmed the application.

Any inquiry about the OB1 and OB2 competitions – please contact Susanne Ortmanns, susanne.ortmanns@gmail.com.

Howavartklubben is looking forward to meet you in Smygehamn!