

## KENNEL CLUB LTD RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR FIELD TRIALS

1. Dogs entered at The Royal Kennel Club (RKC) Licensed Field Trials must be registered at the RKC in accordance with the RKC Regulation for Classification and Registration B.
2. The Vale of York Working Retriever Club (VYWRC) reserves the right to refuse any entry.
3. Should a dog entered in a stake be unable to run, then the Owner may substitute another dog owned by him/herself, the dog must, however, be eligible.
4. All dog's resident outside the UK must be issued with a RKC Authority to Compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
5. If entries or nominations exceed the number of permitted runners, the right to compete in a Trial shall be decided by ballot.
6. Should circumstances so dictate the Society, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them will be reported to the RKC.
7. No modification may be made to the schedule after publication except by permission of the RKC, followed by advertisement in appropriate journals if time permits before the close of entries.
8. Judges at a Trial are prohibited from entering a dog which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership.
9. Videography and photography will only be permitted with the express permission of the Chief Steward and the Host.
10. WELFARE OF DOGS - An exhibitor (or competitor) whose dog is entered at a RKC licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met and should not knowingly put their dog's health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. A breach of this Regulation may be referred to the General Committee for disciplinary action under RKC Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars or prong collars is not permitted at any Field Trial licensed by the RKC. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the Trial.
11. DOGS IN CARS ON HOT DAYS - Your dog is vulnerable and AT RISK if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm. Please take care of your dog(s). If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused.

## VALE OF YORK RETRIEVER CLUB RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR FIELD TRIALS

1. The Club's trials are held under RKC Rules and Field Trial Regulations. Should circumstances so dictate the Club, in consultation with the Judges, may alter arrangements as required. Any changes will be reported to the RKC.
2. No modification may be made to the Schedule except by permission of the RKC, followed by advertisements in the appropriate Journals, if time permits before the closing date for entries.
3. Bitches in season or any dog suffering from a contagious disease will not be permitted to be present and must be removed forthwith.
4. Should a dog entered in a stake be unable to run, then the Owner may substitute another dog owned by him/herself. The dog must, however, be eligible.
5. Entries can be made on the Field Trial Management System (FTMS) or proper RKC form, signed by the Owner(s) and sent with the appropriate non-refundable administration fee, together with a SAE/email address for the result of the Draw. The dog(s) entered must be eligible and properly qualified for the stake entered, otherwise it will put to the bottom of the Draw. In all cases Members' dogs which meet the conditions of entry will take preference in the draw. (RKC Regs. J6i & j).
6. Where the Club holds two or more stakes in a season of the same denomination which are not drawn on the same date, priority will be given in any subsequent draws to members who were not successful in the previous draw/s. (RKC Regs. J6h).
7. Newly joining members will not have preference in a draw until their membership has been approved by the committee. Membership applications will be discussed at the next meeting.
8. The order of running will be the order of the Draw. The result of the Draw will only be sent to those who supply a SAE. The full result of the Draw will be posted on FTMS: <https://www.fieldtrial.info>.
9. An owner unable to run must notify the Field Trial Secretary of withdrawal immediately by telephone. Anyone withdrawing from a trial within 7 days of the date of the trial will forfeit 100% of their entry fee (KC Regs.J6f) unless:
  - (i) The dog has qualified out of Novice stakes (where applicable).
  - (ii) Where the dog drawn to run has qualified for the Championship after entries have closed.
  - (iii) The dog has a veterinary certificate confirming it is unfit to run.
  - (iv) The Owner's nominated handler is unable to compete as verified by a medical certificate.
  - (v) Where the dog drawn to run is withdrawn more than 7 days prior to the stake.
10. Admin and entry fees MUST be paid 7 days in advance of the trial, failure to do so may forfeit the members run. Payment preference is through the Field Trial Management System (FTMS), however, payments by BACS and Cheques will also be accepted.
11. Once the trial has begun, no competitor may withdraw his dog or leave the Trial ground without the permission of the Judge or Field Trial Secretary.
12. Trophies will be awarded to the winning competitors, but only members will be permitted to take trophies home and hold them until the equivalent stake next season. Engraving to be done at the winner's expense. Members are responsible for the safe return of trophies in time for next season's trial.
13. Competitors and spectators must at always obey the red flag bearer and are required to be of good behaviour.
14. No spectators will be allowed at any of the Club's Field Trials without prior approval from the Field Trial Secretary and/or Host.
15. **Persons attending the Trial do so at their own risk. The Club cannot accept liability for any claim arising from or relating to the running of the Trials and cannot accept liability for any injury, loss or damage to person or property however occasioned.**
16. All competitors and spectators should be conversant with the RKC Codes of Conduct, with particular attention to the behaviour competitors and their treatment of dogs. **No open criticism should be made concerning the host, ground, guns or judges.**