



THE GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION  
ID No. 1330

**RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING ALL STAKES; ALL TRIALS WILL BE HELD UNDER KENNEL CLUB FIELD TRIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS AND THOSE OF THE G.S.P.A.**

**RUNNERS:** There will be a maximum of twelve runners in each stake. Dogs under the age of 12 months on the day of the trial shall not be entered.

**SHOW GUNDOG WORKING CERTIFICATE:** Entries for the Show Gundog Working Certificate will be accepted at the Stakes indicated under Stake details. A maximum of two such entries will be accepted at the appointed Stake. A dog which has won one or more C.C.s at shows may be entered for a Working Certificate at a Field Trial meeting. To gain a Qualifying Certificate a dog must hunt, point and retrieve tenderly, enter water and swim. Steadiness is not essential. Closing dates are as per the Stakes and the standard entry form must be used. Where the number of entries exceeds two, preference will be given to Show Champions.

Entry fees for Show Gundog Working Certificate are £20 for members and £30 for non-members.

**DRAW:** The draw for each Stake will take place as indicated under each Stake details.

**ENTRY FEES:** G.S.P.A. Members £20. Non-members £30. Please send separate cheques for each trial. There will be a 50% refund if a trial is cancelled due to bad weather. Unused cheques will be destroyed.

- a) Should circumstances so dictate, the Society, in consultation with the Judges may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them must be reported to the Kennel Club at the earliest opportunity.
- b) No modification will be made to this Schedule except by permission of the Kennel Club followed by advertisement in appropriate journals if time permits before the closing of entries.

**DEFINITIONS:**

**Members** Members are those that are fully paid-up.  
Non-members include those applying for membership or whose membership has lapsed and have not yet been before the Committee for consideration.

**Novice** A Stake confined to dogs which have not gained the following awards:-  
First, Second or Third in Open Stakes or First or Second in All Aged Stakes or First in Novice Stakes.

Preference in the draw will be given to Members.

Dogs are ineligible for entry in a Novice Stake immediately following a win.

**Open** A Stake in which dogs have the opportunity of gaining qualification (whole or part) for the title of Field Trial Champion or for entry in the Championship Stake.

Preference in the draw will be given to:-

- a) Members dogs which have gained a First, Second, Third award in an Open Stake or a First or Second in an All-aged Stake, or First in a Novice Stake.
- b) Non-members dogs which have gained a First, Second, Third award in an Open Stake or a First or Second in an All-aged Stake, or First in a Novice Stake.
- c) Members dogs which have gained other awards.
- d) Non-members dogs which have gained other awards.
- e) Other dogs.

**All-Aged** A stake which is open to all dogs of a specified breed or breeds without restriction to their age but which may be restricted by any other conditions which may be determined by the Society promoting the Field Trial.

Preference in the draw will be given to those dogs with an award in a Field Trial in the following order:-

- a) Members with G.S.P.s.
- b) Members entering other breeds.
- c) Others.

A Show Gundog Working Certificate is described above. It allows a Show Champion to carry the title of Champion when awarded.

When dogs are owned in joint partnership, two dogs may be entered equally in the draw providing a different handler handles each dog.

Excepting in an Open Stake. Owners entering more than one dog, in the event of over subscription, please state preference in the draw.

**ENTRIES:** An entry is an application for a named dog, registered at the Kennel Club in the name of the applicant. Completed entry forms must be sent together with the appropriate payment to: The Hon. Field Trial Secretary, Mrs M Nixon, The Old Rectory, Rectory Lane, Nailstone, Nuneaton. CV13 0QQ Tel: 01530 260581.

**MEETING AND STARTING TIMES**

Competitors should report to the Chief Steward not later than 15 mins prior to the published starting time, but for the purpose of substitution of reserves the trial will be deemed to have commenced when the Chief Steward calls Competitors and Judges together and makes the introductions.

**BASIC REQUIREMENTS OF DOGS ENTERED (K.C.F.T. Regs. J(A)5a)**

Dogs shall be required to quarter ground in search of game, to point game, to flush on command, to be steady to flush, shot and fall, and to retrieve tenderly to hand on command from land and water.

**PRIZES:** Awards for First, Second and Third placings.

Cups and trophies will be awarded as set out under each Stake. All cups and trophies will be confined to Members and are not to be won outright. They must be returned to the Association upon request.

**PICK-UP DOGS:** At each Stake there will be a dog whose sole purpose is to retrieve any game not recovered by dogs running in the Stake

**EXERCISE OF DOGS:** Competitors may exercise their dogs only at the discretion of the Chief Steward. Under no circumstances are dogs to be run or exercised on the trial ground before the trial. Persons in breach of this rule will be liable to have any entry disqualified and their fees forfeited.

**SPECTATORS:** Spectators must at all time obey the direction of the stewards. They must keep together behind the red flag bearer and are requested to keep noise levels to a minimum to avoid disturbing the trial.

**LUNCHES:** Competitors and Spectators should make their own lunch arrangements at all stakes.

**LIABILITY:** All persons attending these trials do so at their own risk. Neither the G.S.P.A. or the Hosts of the meeting will accept liability for accident, injury or illness, damage or loss to any person, dogs or property, whatsoever. The Association reserves the right to refuse entry without stating a reason. The makeup of any entry implies acceptance of these conditions and of the rules of the Kennel Club and the G.S.P.A. The attendance of any spectator also implies such acceptance.

**RETURN OF ENTRY FEES:** Entry fees will not be returned for anyone drawn and not attending the trial unless reasonable notice of non-attendance has been given to the Field Trial Secretary.