



THE GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION

ID No. 1330

Standing Orders

RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING ALL STAKES: ALL TRIALS WILL BE HELD UNDER KENNEL CLUB FIELD TRIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS AND THOSE OF THE GSPA.

1 Dogs entered at Kennel Club Licensed Field Trials must be registered at the Kennel Club in accordance with Kennel Club Regulations for Classification and Registration B.

2 All dogs resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club 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.

3 If entries or nominations exceed the number of permitted runners, the right to compete in a Trial shall be decided by ballot.

4 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 Kennel Club.

5 No modification may be made to the schedule after publication except by permission of the Kennel Club, followed by advertisement in appropriate journals if time permits before the closing of entries.

6 Judges at a Trial are prohibited from entering a dog which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership.

7 Videography and photography will only be permitted with the express permission of the Chief Steward and the host.

8 Welfare of Dogs: An exhibitor (or competitor) whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not knowingly put their dogs' 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 Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

RUNNERS:

There will be a maximum of twelve runners in each stake

Entry fees for Field Trials: are Open £50 for members and £60 non-members. Novice / All-Aged / SGWC £45 for members and £55 non members.

There will be a 50% refund if a trial is cancelled due to bad weather.

ENTRIES:

An entry is an application for a named dog, registered at the Kennel Club in the name of applicant.

Completed entry forms must be sent : Field Trial Sec. **D. Elrington** Mobile 07921 682 002

Email: dawnelrington@gmail.com

The GSPA may reserve to itself the right to refuse any entry.

Draw:

The draw for each stake will take place as indicated under each Stake details.

When an applicant has been successful in the draw for a place in a Stake, or as a reserve, has accepted an offer of a run, if the run is not taken up the applicant may become liable for the full entry fee, if his place is not taken up by another competitor, except where the applicant has qualified out of Novice Stakes (where applicable) or where the dog draw to run has qualified for the Championship after entries have closed, or on production of a Veterinary certificate confirming that the dog entered for the Stake is unfit to compete or on production of a Medical certificate that the applicant or applicants nominated handler is unable to compete

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

Owners entering more than one in the event of over subscription, please state preference in the draw. Except in Open Stakes No owner shall be allowed a second entry until all owner/handlers (members) have had a first entry.

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: Confined to dogs which have not gained a place, or places which would qualify them for first preference in the draw for open stakes.

J7 j. (2) Novice Stake:

- i. Members first preference dogs.
- ii. Members second preference dogs.
- iii. Non-Members first preference dogs.
- iv. Non-Members second preference dogs.

ALL AGED: (See J3.d(2)). A stake is open to dogs of a specific breed or breeds without restriction as to their age, but which may be restricted by any other condition which may be determined by the Society subject to the approval of the general Committee of the Kennel Club. In all cases members' dogs which meet the conditions of entry should take preference in the draw. Preference in the ballot will be given to dogs which have gained a field trial award in the following order:

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

- (a) Members with GSP's.
- (b) Members entering other breeds.
- (c) Others.

OPEN: A Stake in which dogs have opportunity of gaining qualification towards for the title of Field Trial Champion (K regulations refer) or entry in the Championship Stake.

J7 i. Preference in the draw for open stake

(4) Breeds which Hunt Point and Retrieve

A first second or third in an Open Stake A first and second in All-Aged stakes

A first in an All-Aged stake and a first in a Novice Stake Two firsts in Novice Stakes (Effective 2 February 2021) (subject to a three-year trial period and review in February 2024)

Order of Draws J7 j. (1) Open Stake:

- i. Members first preference dogs which have gained places shown above.
- ii. Members second preference dogs which have gained places shown above.
- iii. Non-Members first preference dogs which have gained places shown above.
- iv. Non-Members second preference dogs which have gained places shown above.
- v. Members dogs which have gained other places.
- vi. Non-Members dogs which have gained other places.
- vii. Others dogs.
- viii. The foregoing places must have been gained in a Stake qualifying for entry in the Kennel Club Stud Book

Kennel Club Guidelines. Special Water Certificates - J(E) 10c

The Special Water Test Certificate is issued on the rare occasion that a Water Test is not possible at a HPR Stake due to weather conditions. It is not a mandatory requirement as it takes place once the trial is over, and is taken at the dog owners own risk. If an owners not comfortable with the arrangements for taking the Special Water Test (ie; if the Landowners permission has not been sought, or there is a perceived risk (Of injury) then the individual can refuse to take part and re-arrange to take the test at another Field Trial which would be covered by a Clubs Insurance.

The Kennel Club gives this advice without prejudice if an incident occurs it would be a matter for the insurance company concerned to interpret and it is always best practise to contact your insurer if in doubt

SHOW GUNDOG WORKING CERTIFICATE:

Entries for The Show Gundog Working Certificate will be accepted at stakes indicated under stake details. A maximum of two such entries will be accepted at the appointed Stake. A dog which has won a first place at a championship show where CCs are on offer may be entered for a SGWC at a Field Trial meeting. To gain a Qualifying Certificate a dog must Hunt, Point and Retrieve tenderly, enter water and swim. Absolute steadiness in not essential. Closing dates are as per the Stakes and a **Standard Entry** form **must** be used. Where the number of entries exceeds two, preference will be given to **Show Champions**.

SGWC. Is described above it allows a Show Champion to carry the title of **Champion** when awarded.

Meeting and Starting Times

Competitors should report to the Chief Steward not later than 15mins.prior to the published starting time.

For the purpose of substitution of reserves the trial will be deemed to have commenced when the Chief Steward calls the Competitors and Judges together and makes the introductions.

Picking Up Dog: At each Stake there will be a dog whose sole purpose is to retrieve any game not recovered by dogs running in the stake.

Bitches: No bitches in season on the ground.

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.

Liability: All persons attending these trials do so at their own risk. Neither the GSPA or the Host 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 GSPA. The attendance of any spectator also implies such acceptance.

Red Flag: Competitors and Spectators must at all times obey the directions of the stewards. They must keep together behind the Red Flag 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.

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. If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any field trial licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the trial.