



THIS DOG CAN
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This Dog Can - Nosework Games

Regulations, Terms and Conditions for Competitors



1) All dogs are entered at the owner's risk and whilst taking every care, the Organiser cannot be held responsible for any damage, loss or injury caused to dogs, persons or property whilst at the Nosework Games.

2) By entering any Nosework Games competition you undertake to abide by the regulations of that competition and not to bring any dog to a competition which has contracted or been knowingly exposed to any infectious or contagious disease during the 21 days prior to the competition or which is suffering from a visible condition which adversely affects its health or welfare. Breaches of regulations are liable to disqualification whether the competitor was aware of them or not.

3) The owner, competitor, handler, or other person in charge of a dog at the Nosework Games must ensure that the dog is kept under proper control at all times whilst at the Venue including its environs, car parks and approaches.

4) No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the games.

5) Bookings, cancellations, and refunds.

- Full payment is required within 7 days of booking the games and receiving a confirmation email.
- The Organiser reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
- Booking cancellation with more than 2 weeks' notice to the games' start date - full refund minus admin charge (£5).
- Booking cancellations with less than 2 weeks' notice to the games' start date - refunds will not be given.
- If the organiser must cancel the competition, they reserve the right to deduct any reasonable expenses incurred before refunds are issued.

6) Bitches in season.

Bitches in season may be run at the end of a trial but it is entirely at the organiser's discretion and refunds will not be given if the organiser cannot accommodate a bitch in season, unless the organiser had more than 2 weeks' notice.

7) Removal of dogs from Competition:

Following discussion between the Organiser and/or a veterinary surgeon, a dog shall be prevented from competing and/or removed from the trial if it is: -

- Suffering from any infectious diseases or contagious diseases.
- Of such temperament or is so much out of control as to be a danger to the safety of any person or other animal.
- Likely to cause suffering to the dog if it continues competing.

The circumstances of such removal shall be recorded in the Nosework Games Incident Book.

8) Reactive dogs - The Organiser must be made aware that a dog attending a trial has special needs (reactiveness to other dogs or humans) and every attempt will be made to give that dog space to make the trial a positive experience for all. It is the responsibility of the owner to let the Organiser and Scorer know at the time of the trial of any special needs for the searches.

9) History of Biting - If a dog can be considered "dangerous" as per Dangerous Dog Act (has injured someone previously), this information must be given to the Organiser prior to booking that trial. It is in the discretion of the Organiser whether to accept the entry.

If the Organiser decides to accept the entry, the dog should be kept as far away as possible from any other dog, trial participant or member of the public. The dog must be on a lead and always muzzled, except for the search provided the Organiser and Scorer are happy for it to be removed.

The Owner is fully liable for their dog and responsible for any Civil or Criminal Action from members of the public, and competitors if the dog has bitten or does bite during the Games.

This Dog Can cannot be held responsible for any Civil or Criminal Action in relation to any incidents during the Games.

10) Dogs in Vehicles on Hot Days.

Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather and This Dog Can offers the following guidance to help guide you through the do's and don'ts travelling to and whilst at Nosework Games.

- When travelling to the Games please take a moment to consider whether the route is on a busy holiday route, and leave earlier to avoid increased time in traffic jams.
- If your vehicle is not air-conditioned seriously consider whether travelling to the trial is a good idea at all.
- The vehicle should be as fully ventilated as possible, and plenty of stops should be taken, with lots of water available to drink.
- Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free-flowing air around the dog.
- When at the trial, never leave your dog unattended in the vehicle. • Keep the dog in the shade - take your own shade for example a large umbrella and always have plenty of water available to drink so your dog stays well hydrated.
- Avoid your dog taking part in unnecessary exertion, or from standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time. Remember, if you feel hot your dog is very likely to feel much hotter and dehydrated, and this could lead to dire results. Please look after your dog's welfare.

WARNING: IF YOUR DOG IS FOUND TO BE AT RISK FORCIBLE ENTRY TO YOUR VEHICLE MAY BE NECESSARY WITHOUT LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED

11) Competitors must behave in a respectful manner to organiser, scorers, helpers, and fellow competitors at all times. Any disrespectful and/or intimidating behaviour towards any personnel will be reported to the Organiser and the competitor will be asked to leave the trial.

12) It is the responsibility of every competitor to assess if a game is safe for them and their dog. If they feel it is unsafe or unsuitable, they should speak to the organiser/scorer, if the matter cannot be resolved they should not take part.

13) By entering a trial, you agree to your results being published on-line. If you do not wish photos/videos of you to be published on-line, please make the organiser aware.