

1st June 2019 Rule Change Guidance for H/J, Q/J, Team Captains and T/O's

A1.4.9, Removal of single side master time sheet....

Master time sheet has now been voted upon and agreed that it is no longer a requirement to be filled in or used. T/O's may choose to use as a double check but this is optional.

A1.6.1, Minimum area for Ring layout 30ft x 120ft....

Minimum width has been reduced to 30ft from 40ft with a view to dog safety at indoor competitions, **PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS A MINIMUM.**

A1.7.5, Height of Judges Score Stand....

New rule brought in to specify the **MAXIMUM** height of a Judges Stand which is to be **NO** more than 4ft (excluding pegs/markers).

A2.5.9, Number of members in the ring....

Apart from Dog Handlers and Box Loader, there shall be no more than 5 other members in the ring assisting the team whilst racing, (During warm up teams can utilise more than 5 people). If more than 5 are required during racing permission **MUST** be sought by the Head Judge.

A3.2.2, Dog Collision Reporting....

All crashes/collisions between dogs must be reported whether that be in warm up or during racing. An incident report must be completed by the divisional judge and includeName and BFA No of Dog(s), Witnesses, description of accident, whether dog continues to race or receives treatment. A Google form will be made available via the website to use.

A3.8.1 + 8.2, Interference / Distraction....

The main difference within the Interference part of the ruling is that if your dog Interferes **TWICE** then it is on a **FINAL** Warning, any further instances will result in that dog having to run last once the other lane has completed for the remainder of the competition. Any Interference will be noted against the offending dog on the C2 form.

The main difference within the Distraction section is allowing the judge the **DISCRETION** to warn then follow up with loss of the heat.

E3.1, Junior Member Award Scheme....

The minimum age for registration on the scheme has now been reduced to 6 years of age.

