

HWVA All Aged Field Trial on the 27 November 2021

at

Pixell Farm, Hawkshead, Kent by kind permission of Francis Briley

Judges: Rita Dockwray (2245) & Christine Carpenter (2907)

The Field Trial will be conducted in accordance with the Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

A 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 Board for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. 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.

It is a prerequisite that that dogs at this event are of sound temperament and free from infectious or contagious disease and the bitches are not in season.

Management considerations pre-event

All guns must be fully aware of the BASC Code of Practice for handling shotguns in a safe manner and must be in possession of a valid shotgun certificate, and have public liability insurance. (Copies of BASC code of Practice, shotgun certificates and public liability insurance.)

Risk assessment, Insurance certificate, KC Licence, Emergency Contact details including (A&E) and Vets displayed in registration area.

Prior check for blue green algae in ponds/lakes and check with landowner re livestock.

Briefing needs to cover all relevant areas in the risk assessment.

The following are those at risk:

Participants, entrants, competitors; officials, judges and observers; the 'Guns', 'beaters', 'pickers up'; Steward, "Red Flag", Host, employees, volunteers, drivers of vehicles, onlookers, members of the public, dogs

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Signed on behalf of the HWVA

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<u>Guns</u>									
Noise	Minor hearing damage.	2	3	6	Pre-activity briefing by Official. Ear protection to be worn if in close proximity to the guns.	1	1	2	Guns Chief Steward Every Individual
Accidental discharge	Minor gunshot injury; major gunshot injury; Multiple casualties	3	5	15	Shotguns and ammunition must not be left unattended under any circumstance. Guns must keep their unloaded weapons in a covered slip until arrival at their allocated position. A shot should only be taken when it is safe to do so. Guns must be aware at all times of the proximity of those closest to them: other guns, the red flag, picker-up, officials, judges, competitors and members of the public; the location of public footpaths, bridleways, highways and livestock in the vicinity. Members of the public and competitors that are not in line must stay behind the red flag at all times and obey the instruction of officials or members of the estate staff. All dogs are under close control or on lead when not participating. In the event of an emergency, the	2	5	10	

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					trial will be suspended immediately and all weapons must be unloaded and placed back in the covered slip.				
Slips, trips and falls due to terrain	Minor injuries, potential fractures	3	4	12	<p>Chief Marshall will control the rate of advance.</p> <p>Specific unusual risks of terrain will be covered in the official’s briefing which includes advice on suitable protective clothing and non-slip footwear;</p> <p>Carrying First Aid Kits;</p> <p>Mobile phones (subject to reception)and short wave radios to be available.</p> <p>Officials have Emergency Services contacts including vet, hospital.</p>	2	4	8	<p>Chief Steward</p> <p>Every individual</p>
Water including unstable or slippery water edges.	Hypothermia; infection	3	3	9	<p>Specific unusual risks of terrain will be covered in the official’s briefing which includes advice on suitable protective clothing and non-slip footwear.</p> <p>Carrying First Aid Kits.</p> <p>Mobile phones (subject to reception and short wave radios to be available.</p> <p>Officials have Emergency Services</p>	3	2	6	<p>Chief Steward</p> <p>Every Individual</p>

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Additional risk from blue green algae.		3	4	12	<p>contacts including vet, hospital.</p> <p>If retrieval is necessary a dynamic risk assessment will be implemented at the time.</p> <p>Extra dry clothing required for the allocated retriever</p> <p>Prior check for blue green algae.</p>	2	2	4	Chief Steward
Dogs out of control: Bites, trips and collisions with dogs or their leads.	Minor injuries including possible fractures.	3	3	9	<p>Official briefing will cover the expectations of handlers and their dogs.</p> <p>Dogs must be kept on leads at all times under direct instruction of judges and handlers</p> <p>Participants are advised to carry First Aid Kits.</p> <p>Mobile phones (subject to reception and short wave radios to be available.</p>	2	2	4	Chief Steward
	Minor to significant damage to livestock.	3	4	12	Officials have Emergency Services contacts including vet, hospital.	2	3	6	Handler/owner is solely responsible for assessing the tasks ahead for their dogs during the event and making appropriate decisions as to whether their dog undertakes the tasks ahead.

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<p>Injury from farm or wild animals that may be alarmed including insects and reptiles.</p> <p>Disease or infection such as Weils Disease, Leptospirosis, Lyme Disease.</p>	Mild irritation to significant illness.	3	3	9	<p>It is recommended that participants wear suitable protective clothing.</p> <p>Participants are advised to carry First Aid Kits.</p> <p>Mobile phones (subject to reception and short wave radios to be available.</p> <p>Officials have Emergency Services contacts including vet, hospital.</p> <p>Hand sanitiser</p>	1	3	3	<p>Chief Steward</p> <p>Dog Owners</p> <p>Spectators</p> <p>Competitors</p>
Temperature	Minor discomfort to significant medical condition (sunburn, heatstroke, hypothermia,)	3	3	9	<p>Briefing includes advice about carrying water for dog and handler and sustenance if not returning for lunch.</p> <p>Suitable clothing should be worn to afford protection from changes in weather.</p> <p>Participants are advised to carry first Aid kits.</p> <p>Officials have details of hospital and</p>	2	2	4	<p>Chief Steward</p> <p>Every individual</p>

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					vets. Mobile phones (subject to reception) and short wave radios where appropriate will be available.				
Medical conditions including Asthma, heart attack	Minor discomfort to significant medical condition	3	4	12	<p>Official briefing will cover the expectations regarding medical conditions.</p> <p>Anyone who requires medication for them or their dog should have administered or carry it with them.</p> <p>Participants are advised to carry first Aid kits.</p> <p>Officials have details of hospital and vets.</p> <p>Mobile phones (subject to reception) and short wave radios where appropriate will be available.</p>	2	4	8	<p>Chief Steward</p> <p>Every individual</p>
Road Traffic Accidents	Minor / major injuries to humans and/or dogs	2	4	8	<p>Vehicles provided to transport guns, competitors and officials must be suitable for the purpose and the terrain that is to be encountered. Guns should be unloaded and in their slips.</p> <p>Adequate seating must be provided. Dogs will not be allowed in the driving compartment of the vehicles. The driver of each vehicle must be acquainted with the route and terrain over which they are to travel and be aware of the other vehicles in</p>	1	4	4	<p>Chief Steward</p> <p>Dog owners</p> <p>Spectators</p> <p>Cmpetitors</p>

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					the party.				
Unforeseen emergency or unforeseen interference in activities by outsiders.					<p>In the event of an emergency, activities will be stopped immediately and all weapons must be uploaded and placed in their cover slip. Should there be interference from persons that are opposed to the activity; officials must arrange to vacate the ground without confrontation. (See Emergency Action Plan)</p> <p>Participants are advised to carry first aid kits.</p> <p>Officials have details of hospital and vet.</p> <p>Mobile phones (subject to reception) and short wave radios where appropriate will be available.</p>				<p>Chief Steward</p> <p>Every Individual</p> <p>Guns</p>

Likelihood Rating 1 – 5

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Severity / extent rating 1 – 5

- 1 = Unlikely to occur
- 2 = Possibly occur
- 3 = likely to occur
- 4 = Very likely to occur
- 5 = Extremely likely to occur

- 1 = Minor injury / slight damage
- 2 = Injury requiring attention
- 3 = Reportable injury / damage
- 4 = Major injury / loss of property
- 5 = Serious or multiple death