

NADAC AUSTRALIA COVID-19 GUIDELINES FOR CLUBS AND EXHIBITORS

AIMS:

- Reduce risk of potential contact with covid-19 positive individuals.
- Manage gathering size according to Government Restrictions
- Maintain safe social distancing of 1.5 metres
- Provide handwashing/sanitising facilities
- Limit handling of agility equipment
- Provide appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) to volunteers and workers
- Reduce paperwork and restrict handling of necessary paperwork
- Prevent cross contamination via leashes and other objects
- To ensure host clubs comply with COVID-19 guidelines

PROCEDURES:

Reduce risk of potential contact with covid-19 positive individuals

- Signed exhibitor Health check and covid-19 exposure declaration on day of competition required for competition
- Signed assumption of risk waiver by all trial site attendees (officials, exhibitors and spectators)
- Excusal of exhibitors from trial if they attend the trial whilst unwell.

Manage gathering size according to Government Restrictions

- Closely monitor entry numbers – checking people numbers (trial is full when we reach the gathering number allowed – Agility Unscrambled tracks Handler Numbers in Trial stats)
- Prohibit spectators – only allow exhibitors and essential people for the running of the event
- No group briefings – all briefings to be pre-recorded and available prior to the trial

Maintain safe social distancing of 1.5 metres

- Signage on trial site reminding exhibitors of social distancing
- Crating to adhere to social distancing
- Limiting people in score gazebo to 2 people (timekeeper and scribe – no scorer)
- Separate table for the 2 workers in score gazebo – social distance 1.5 metres
- Marshalling chute – only one team at a time in chute (we already do this)
- Maintain distancing in marshalling area (we already encourage distance between dogs)

Provide handwashing/sanitising facilities

- Handwashing facilities/ hand sanitiser readily available
- Promote exhibitors having their own hand sanitiser

Limit handling of agility equipment

- Specify a ring crew for the day and the ring crew will be the only people involved in course building and course changes

Provide appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) to volunteers and workers

- Handwashing/sanitising facilities available. Sanitiser should be available at the score table, the equipment trailer and in the marshalling area. Exhibitors are also encouraged to have and use their own sanitiser as part of the own personal trial kit
- Bar Setters and course builders will be required to hand sanitise before and after handling agility equipment.
- Table workers will be required to hand sanitise before the class starts and upon completion of the class.
- Masks are not required as per Government recommendations but if a handler wishes to wear one by choice whilst at the trial or whilst running their dog they shall be permitted to do so.

Reduce paperwork and restrict handling of necessary paperwork

- Providing exhibitor paperwork online prior to trial day (eg run orders and job rosters)
- Instruct exhibitors to print out their own hardcopies of rosters and run orders
- Post results online (Adobe online, google docs, Facebook (photo and post results), email exhibitor results after each class is entered – all require internet connection)
- Ziplock bag – containing scoresheet, small pencil and eraser and clipboard for each class collected and handled only by scribe and club data entry person.

Prevent cross contamination via leashes and other objects

- Allow handlers a choice of leash handling options. Option 1: to carry leashes on course in their pockets or in a bum bag without penalty (leash must not be visible and bum bag discreet). Option 2: Family member or friend can leash run for those not wanting to carry leash on course (handler should provide hand sanitiser/gloves to their leash buddy). Option 3: Rostered leash walker will use a grabber tool to move the leash from the start line to the finish line. The gripper will be dipped into appropriate cleaner between runs so as to reduce cross contamination. The gripper Handle will be cleaned appropriately after use by the rostered leash walker.
- No communal food – this includes BBQ's, score table lollies
- Ribbons will be collated and bagged for those wanting ribbons by a trial official and collected at the end of the trial day. Exhibitors are encouraged to consider trial credits instead of ribbons where offered by a club. The trial official will hand sanitiser regularly whilst collating ribbons.
- The timing console will be wiped down frequently throughout the day.
- Highest in Trial prizes will only be handled by the club official and recipient of the Award.

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- Club signature on covid-19 release of liability form (see attached)