



THE KENNEL CLUB OLYMPIA LARGE DOG NOVICE AGILITY STAKES 2010

This competition will be classified as combined Grades 3, 4 and 5 and judged under the Kennel Club regulations for standard classes.

Dogs should be eligible to enter a Grade 3, 4 or 5 class at the time of qualifying for the semi-final. Any subsequent wins gained by the dog will not alter its eligibility to compete in the semi-final or final.

Competitors may enter more than one dog in a heat and may qualify more than one dog for the semi-finals. Handlers may only qualify one dog for the final which will be the highest placed dog at the semi-final. Once a dog has qualified for the semi-final/final, further heats may be entered for competition although any placings in these further heats will not affect the dog's eligibility for the final/semi finals.

The first three previously unqualified placed dogs from each heat or split class will go forward to one of the two semi-finals at the City of Birmingham show at Stoneleigh, Warwickshire on Friday 3 September or Sunday 5 September 2010. The first eighteen dogs from each semi-final will qualify for the final at Olympia, London, on 15-19 December 2010.

The 36 dogs who qualify for Olympia will be invited to compete in a further semi final at Olympia. The top ten highest placed dogs in the Olympia semi final will qualify for the evening grand final at Olympia

Those dogs eligible to compete in Novice Large Dog Agility competitions are those measuring over 430 mm (1 foot 5 inches) at the withers.

The following regulations also apply to this competition:

OVERALL OLYMPIA AGILITY STAKES REGULATIONS 2010

All events must be judged under the appropriate Kennel Club regulations H & H(1) in force at the time of the event. Competitors entering any competition will be deemed to have agreed to abide by these regulations.

All heats must take place at Kennel Club licensed shows and the class name in the schedule should replicate exactly the name of the competition as stated in these regulations.

All Kennel Club supported competitions should be judged using standard marking.

If the entry for the heat exceeds the Kennel Club limit for a judge in a day, then the class will be equally split and another judge appointed for the second part. Qualifiers and reserves from that heat will be taken in equal proportion from each part, giving the total number originally required from that heat (except where individual competition rules state differently). Rosettes and awards remain unchanged if the heat is split.

Dogs entered in any heats must be eligible for the competition entered and judges retain the right to check the height of any dog or ask to see the height stated in the Kennel Club Record Book.

Competitors can qualify for any Olympia final but it must be with different dogs. The first final a handler qualifies a dog for will be the final that particular dog competes in at Olympia.

(These rules would be amended if any changes are made to Kennel Club agility regulations during the course of the competition year).