



HEELWORK TO MUSIC - SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

from Kennel Club Working Party Meeting 29 November 2018

	Proposed	Recommended	Action
1.	Working Party Chairman	Following Mr Ford's resignation, it was necessary to appoint a new Chairman. The Working Party appointed Mr Ray to fulfil this role.	All to note
2.	Activities Committee	Following Mrs Pink's term as representative to the Activities Committee coming to an end, it was necessary to appoint a member to serve as the representative for the 2019-2022 period. The Working Party appointed Mr Ray to fulfil this role.	All to note
3.	Activities Health and Welfare Sub-Group	Mrs Pink was re-elected to serve as the representative to the Activities Health and Welfare Sub-Group for the 2019-2022 period. Should Mrs Pink not be able to attend, Dr Richardson could attend in her place.	All to note
4.	Activities Judges Sub-Group	Following Mrs Hardman's wish to step down from representing the Working Party at the Activities Judges Sub-Group, it was necessary to appoint a new representative. The Working Party appointed Mrs DeRizzio to fulfil this role.	All to note
5.	Working Party membership	Dr Richardson and Miss Ruscoe joined the Working Party following the resignation of Mr Ford and Mrs Brocklehurst.	Competitors to note
6.	Closing dates for entries	<p>The Working Party considered concerns that some competitors were 'blocking' the progress of others, particularly those in the Intermediate class, by continuing to compete in a class once they had qualified out of it. However it did not consider that any change to the current regulation, which states that when entering any class, competitors must count all wins up to and including the seventh day before the closing date of entries, was warranted.</p> <p>It did suggest that Club secretaries should be encouraged to consider the closing dates of other competitions when setting their own in order to minimise any issues. It also suggested that in the interests of clarity, where possible, closing dates should be mid-week which would minimise any confusion relating to wins achieved during a weekend competition.</p>	Competition organisers to note.
7.	Social media guidance	<p>The Working Party requested competitors be reminded to be cautious when posting on social media especially if a post may be perceived as impugning the judge's decision or being abusive.</p> <p>The Kennel Club's guidance on social media can be found here.</p>	Competitors to note



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8.	Amendment to L Regulations	<p>The Working Party noted that the Board approved the following amendment to the L Regulations:</p> <p>Regulation L14.j. TO: Premier competition rings shall be not less than 15m x 16m. (Insertion in Bold)</p>	<p>Competitors, competition organisers and judges to note.</p> <p>The amendment to regulation L14.j came into effect on 1 January 2019.</p>
9.	Amendment to Crufts Rule 16	<p>The Working Party recommended that Rule 16, Once a routine has been performed at the Crufts finals the handler may not repeat it again at future Crufts finals in any form, be amended to allow a routine to be repeated on the condition that five years had passed since it was previously performed. It also clarified that it would be permissible for the same routine to be performed with the same dog as before, subject to the five year gap. The Kennel Club Crufts international freestyle competition rules and regulations can be found here.</p>	All to note
10.	FCI World HTM Championships	<p>The Working Party agreed that team GB would compete at the FCI World HTM Championships in Stuttgart, Germany on 21 to 24 November 2019. Competitors would be invited to submit applications if they wished to participate, competitors should also note that they would have to provide their own transport which should be fitted with appropriate winter tyres for continental Europe. Those who wish to compete should enter here.</p>	Competitors to note
11.	Date of next meeting	<p>The next meeting of the Working Party is due to take place on 14 May 2019. Any agenda items should be submitted to Working Party members by 2 April 2019.</p>	All to note